

**Virtual Thirteenth Health Cluster Coordination Meeting
Kathmandu, Nepal
2 July 2020 -THURSDAY (2:00 – 3:00 pm)**

The meeting was chaired by Dr. Jageswor Gautam, Lead of the Health Cluster and co-chaired by Dr. Lungten Z. Wangchuk, Co-lead of the Health Cluster. Dr. Lungten welcomed Dr. Gautam as the new chair for the Health Cluster Coordination Meeting. More than 50 health partners attended the meeting virtually. Dr. Lungten Z. Wangchuk facilitated the meeting.

Agenda for #13 Health Cluster Coordination Meeting

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Agenda Item	Responsible	Time
Welcome and Update	Dr. Jageswor Gautam, Chair-Health Cluster	14:00-14:05
COVID-19 Logistics analysis (forecasts, contributions and gaps)	Dr. Ramesh Kharel, Director, Management Division	14:05-14:10
Follow-up action points and brief updates from partners	Dr. Lungten Wangchuk, Co-chair, WHO	14:10-14:15
COVID-19 response support from Good Neighbors International	Mr. Ram Naresh Yadav, Manager - Public Health	14:15-14:20
Summary of the meeting followed by discussions/questions	Dr. Lungten Wangchuk, Co-chair, WHO Advisors MoHP and Chair (answers/ comments to the questions)	14:20-14:25
Discussions/Questions	All	14:25-14:35
Comments/Answers to the questions	Advisors/Chair	14:35-14:40
Conclusion and closing	Dr. Jageswor Gautam, Chair-Health Cluster	14:40-14:55

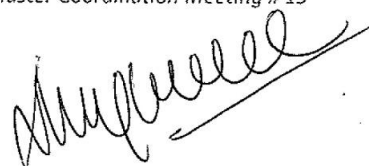
Synopsis of the meeting

Dr. Gautam welcomed all the participants to the meeting and provided brief updates on the responses of MoHP to manage and control COVID-19. The details of tests and isolation/quarantine of COVID-19 cases as of 1st July 2020 were also provided.

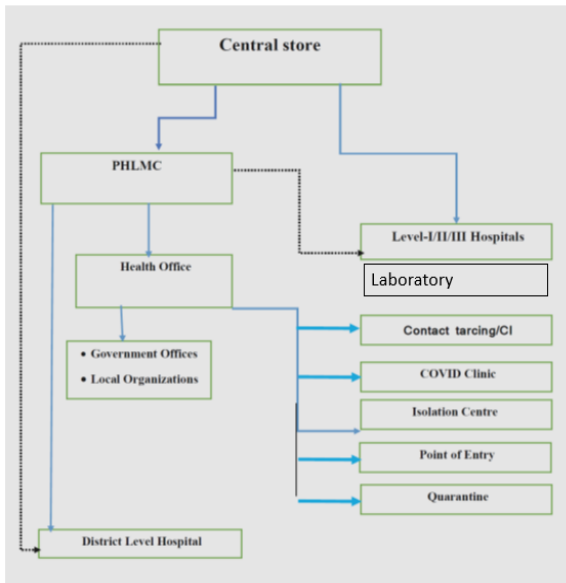
Dr. Gautam thanked all the health partners for generous supports through one door mechanism. He specially thanked China Railway 14th Bureau Group Co. Ltd., Nepal Red Cross Society, Coco Cola Foundation, Singapore Red Cross, IFRC, Prarambha Nepal and Ani Choying Dolma Foundation for their support in COVID-19 response in the past week.

Dr. Ramesh Kharel, Director, Management Division then provided information about requirements, stocks, gaps and procurement plan for COVID-19 testing laboratory items (RNA extraction kits, PCR reagents, VTM), protectives and related items (PPEs, disinfectants, etc.), and medicine and ICU consumables. He also informed about the procurement of 7 automated RNA extraction machine to increase the output and meet the target of 10,000 tests per day. He also provided the approved distribution/supply chain management flow chart with slight

<p>As of 1 July 2020 Total PCR sites: 23 Total PCR tests done: 233227 (5719 per day in past week) Total PCR positive: 14046 (additional 3318 in past week) Total active cases: 10360 Total discharged: 3656 (1318 in past week) Affected districts: 77 Deaths: 30 Total RDT performed: 302621 Total isolation beds: 8598 Total people in isolation: 10360 Total quarantine beds: 242161 Total people in quarantine: 48362</p>
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modification (addition of laboratory). He thanked all the partners for their support and stressed on use of eLMIS and one door mechanism for logistics recording and reporting. He also asked all the health partners to check quality and compatibility of the support (specially laboratory reagents).



Dr. Lungten Wangchuk, Co-chair then provided brief updates from health partners and their supports on COVID-19 response. She also provided the updates on activities of the Mental Health sub-cluster and informed that MHPSS services like risk communication/community awareness, tele-mental health and service, mental health and psychosocial support to persons in isolation and quarantine and in communities were available in all 7 provinces. She thanked all the health partners for aligning their support to the key asks from MoHP. She also stressed on providing support to hospitals for management of COVID-19

cases such as ventilators, oxygen concentrators, expansion of isolation in COVID designated hospitals.

Mr. Ram Naresh Yadav, Manager-Public Health, from Good Neighbors International (GNI) informed about the goals and objectives of the organization and the different health projects the organization has been working on. He also provided the details of COVID-19 support by the organization (a sum of NRs 44,282,497 from a total budget of NRs 82,015,891). He provided with the future plan of the organization in COVID-19 response and other health related activities and also informed about the different challenges that are being faced in the support. He informed that they can align their support as needed and plan accordingly.

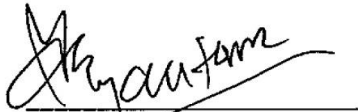
Dr. Lungten thanked GNI for reaching to the provinces and areas requiring their support in COVID-19 response as well as appreciated the information provided on their future plan willingness to align support to MoHP Asks. She also appreciated the supports provided by all other health partners in COVID-19 response. She thanked Dr. Ramesh for providing the information on gaps in COVID-19 logistics thereby helping health partners to realign their supports to fill the gaps. She also stressed on checking quality and compatibility of laboratory supports and using eLMIS to provide support as suggested by Dr. Ramesh. She also stressed that partners to provide support through one door mechanism as per the ask from MoHP and the Chair of the HC.

Before ending the meeting, Dr. Gautam thanked Dr. Ramesh Kharel and the Management Division for providing the information on COVID-19 logistics needs, gaps and procurement plans and GNI for providing COVID-19 support through one door mechanism. He also thanked all the participants of the meeting for their presence and kind support in COVID-19 response.

Decision/Action points:

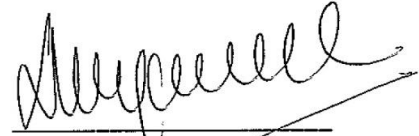
- Provide support aligning to the key asks from MoHP using one door mechanism
- Procurement of quality assured and compatible laboratory items (reagents) for support
- Provide support to hub hospitals for expansion of isolation facilities including ventilators, oxygen concentrators

Signed by the Chair:



Dr Jageswor Gautam
Chair/Lead

7 July 2020



Dr Lungten Z. Wangchuk
Co-Chair/Co-Lead