



## MINUTES OF MEETING | HEALTH & WASH SECTOR |24th of March, 2020

The combined meeting for Health and WASH Sector group was held on the 24th of March 2020 at 5pm through Zoom application interface with reference to COVID 19 preparedness and response. Meeting was chaired by Dr. Ritu from WHO and Co-chaired by Dr. Ravikant from Doctors for you. The agenda and list of members participated of the meeting is attached in the Annex 1 and 2.

### KEY DISCUSSIONS

1. Briefing was done regarding the current situation of rising cases in multiple states of India and materials, measures implemented for prevention of spreading of disease.
2. It was suggested to find an accurate way of intervention keeping together government and civil societies.
3. There was a concern regarding no direction or policy issued by government for civil societies working in relief measures.
4. Concern was raised for the shortage of PPE [Personal Protective Equipment] for medical staffs and general public, lack of training facilities and issues of miscommunications.
5. EHA informed about 20000 beds which can be provided through them with partner organisation.
6. WHO informed that Health ministry and textile ministry are conducting meetings and testing is undergoing for PPEproduction.
7. For proper mobilisation of relief materials, the need of curfew passes was discussed.
8. Concern was raised to define clinical role of medical staff along with their training and instruments available to them for treatment.
9. It was informed by WHO that National training of trainers is being conducted and will be scaled up. As of now 500+ districts have been covered.
10. A need was raised to define the role of non-medical field workers and associations so that they can perform their best.
11. Challenges being faced due to lockdown situation and guidelines required for field intervention in case of lockdown and to reach to the affected.
12. Members from UNICEF suggested to use IVR and other multiple communications to large scale population.
13. Issue was raised regarding funding for training, resource mobilisation and service provisions.
14. Concern was raised regarding the need for preparedness and confinement of virus even after laying off lockdown through the members.
15. An advice for planning to be done for IPC[Infection Prevention Control] training even for private working doctors and paramedical staff.
16. A small task group was proposed so that we have a clear picture for our further proceedings along with having technical aspects of type of training and assistance that would be required for effective response.

### ACTION POINTS

1. Training tool kits for frontline workers are ready and soon will be deployed both rural and urban level by WHO.
2. Field teams are linking up along with mapping of efforts collectively done by state IAGs through Sphere India.
3. Specific training on IPC [Infection Prevention Control]will be lined up through WHO.



4. National TOT for frontline workers will be initiated along with streamlining through sufficient tool kits in various languages by WHO.
5. Non medical field workers can look out for vulnerable group protection needs.
6. URS matrix would help to identify the contributions and requirements at a single point.

A taskgroup was formed including Dr. Carel Joseph [HWVI], Dr. Ravikant [Doctors For You] and Dr. Sunil Gokavi [EHA] to work on health sector committee plans for COVID-19 preparedness and response and to get a clear picture of scenario in further meetings.

## ANNEX 1

Agenda of the Meeting:

1. Sharing of info:
  - a. Update on crisis and response.
  - b. Sharing info: who is doing what and where.
2. The role and positioning of health sector committee in Covid-19 response.
3. Discussion on plan of action ahead
4. Task groups to be formed if any.
5. AOB

## ANNEX 2

S.No	NAME	ORGANISATION
1.	Dr Ritu	WHO
2.	Vikrant	Sphere India
3.	Satyanarayan	Terre des hommes foundation
4.	Dr. Bhanu	PGSVS
5.	Rita	India HIV AIDS Alliance
6.	Shem Raomai	EHA
7.	Andrio	Oxfam
8.	Ravikantsingh	Doctors for you
9.	Thomas V	Emmanuel Hospital Association
10.	Swathi	UNICEF
11.	Pratibha	Child Fund India
12.	Delhi rose	Oxfam India
13.	Mercy Nimal	World Vision India
14.	Kennedy	Sphere India
15.	Kyra	Tdh Foundation
16.	Dr.Sunilgokavi	EHA
17.	Eilia	Sphere India
18.	Dr.Carel Joseph	Health Worldvision India
19.	Puneet	Water Aid India
20.	Dr Sunil Babu	CARE India
21.	Poonam	Oxfam
22.	Akhilesh	Red R
23.	Sunny	Doctors for you



24.	Pawan	Worldvision India
25.	Nimisha	IPPF CMA
26.	Runa Nath	Terre des hommes Foundation
27.	Marije	UNICEF
28.	Vaibhav	Sphere India