The 2nd North East Healthcare Summit

“The 2nd North East Healthcare Summit” stresses on collaboratively strengthening health systems amongst all North-eastern States to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals

With an aim to strengthen health systems and explore emergent avenues and platforms for collaboration between various agencies and stakeholders in the north-east region, the 2nd North East Health Care Summit 2017 was organized by the Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) in partnership with the Ministry of Development of the North East Region (MDoNER), the Government of Sikkim and the Sir Thutob Namgyal Memorial Hospital (STNM) on the 8th and 9th September, 2017.

The summit was inaugurated by Mr. Arjun Kumar Ghatani, Hon’ble Minister, Healthcare, Human Services and Family Welfare, Sikkim along with Mr. PD Rai, Member of Parliament from Sikkim. Also present on the occasion were Mr. Alok Kumar Srivastav, Chief Secretary, Sikkim, Dr K Bhandari, Director-General-cum Secretary Health, Sikkim, Mr Jayanto Narayan Choudhury, Vice President PHFI, Dr KB Gurung, Medical Superintendent STNM Hospital along with a host of senior government health officials from all the north eastern states of India.

In his address the Mr. Arjun Kumar Ghatani, Hon’ble Minister, Healthcare, Human Services and Family Welfare, Sikkim, congratulated the organisers – PHFI, STNM Hospital and DoNER for organizing the second edition of the North East Healthcare Summit in Sikkim that highlights key issues in today’s evolving healthcare scenario pertinent to Northeastern parts of India.

"Health records and parameters in Sikkim are the best amongst us northeastern states, for which I would congratulate our Chief Minister for his visionary leadership because of which the government-backed Comprehensive Annual and Total Check-up for Healthy Sikkim (CATCH Sikkim) now reaches out to people even in the remotest areas of the state. But poor healthcare services in the Northeast and the need to enhance manpower, including setting up of more medical colleges in the region the requirement of the day. There is an urgent need to review the progress of schemes sanctioned by centre or the NEC towards the improvement of healthcare services in the region, especially infrastructure, in addition to finding out better ways and means to remove health problems and inaccessibility to quality healthcare especially in rural areas of the region."

Mr Ghatani also appealed to the attending delegates especially attending health officials from other north east states and other organizations to work towards the improvement of healthcare services in the this region, and come-up with a time bound whitepaper which can be implemented immediately.

This year's 2nd Northeast Healthcare summit concentrated on emerging health concerns in the region with a special emphasis on the current scenario in North East and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). The themes for this year's summit were:

Pic Caption: Mr. Arjun Kumar Ghatani, Hon'ble Minister, Healthcare, Human Services and Family Welfare, Sikkim, Mr. PD Rai, Member of Parliament from Sikkim, Mr. Alok Kumar Srivastav, Chief Secretary, Sikkim, Dr K Bhandari, Director-General-cum Secretary Health, Sikkim, Mr. Jayanto Narayan Choudhury, Vice President PHFI, Dr KB Gurung, Medical Superintendent STNM Hospital, and Dr Priscilla C Ngaihte, PHFI.
One the sidelines of the summit, a Healthcare Media interactive workshop was conducted as a pre-cursor to the Summit, that provided media with nuances of healthcare criticalities and development in the state, and the Northeastern region so that press reporting on health issues can be strengthened and acknowledged actively in publications.

Photo Gallery
Media Coverage:

The Summit received good media coverage which was not only covered in local newspapers, but was also covered well in all the other 7 North East states of India, apart from getting national media coverage. Doordarshan NE, Zee News NE, ANI News covered the summit under their prime time along with a few channels from Nepal, Bhutan and Bangladesh. Below are glimpses of media coverage and a table of national and online coverages received till date. The Summit also had a good social media presence on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Google+, LinkedIn, and Pinterest.
Arunachal ranks 4th in NE

Infant mortality rate

By A O News Service
Arunachal ranks...

(From P-1) The 2nd North East Health Care Summit 2017 is set to commence on September 8 with an objective to strengthen focus on key health issues in the north-east region.

The workshop was part of PHFI's media outreach programme under the Swastha Uttar Purv initiative.

JCC calls for...

(From P-1) The JCC claimed that the advertisements have been floated by various departments against vacant posts of group C and D by defying the cabinet decision.

The committee urged the Governor of Arunachal for uniform implementation of the PHFI's in-charge for NE Region. DPR/Prerita C. N. said that better performing states in the country have more public investment in health. Stressing the role of progressive legislations, she said that right to health should be made a 'fundamental right' to move towards ensuring universal health entitlements to every citizen.

Professor of Public Health and Infection Diseases, Dr. Bhimnath Hira, HSF's director general gave the keynote address in the morning. He called for a comprehensive reform in health delivery systems to address the challenges of demographic transition, economic development, and health system sustainability.

Arunachal has poor antenatal care record

GANPATI, Sept 7: Arunachal Pradesh is the second state in the North East region with poor antenatal care with just 26 per cent, just above Nagaland's 24 per cent. The state ranked fourth among the NE states for highest infant mortality rate with 30. The data was revealed in a workshop on 'Building effective communication pathways for public health in the North East', organised by Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) in partnership with the Dhaka University on Thursday.

Concerned by the revelation, Director Regional Resource Centre, MoHFW for North East states, Dr. Hemant Tada said that due to lack of health regulatory policies, poor private investments, demographically imbalance and geo-political situations, health sector in the north-eastern states have not been able to take a lead.

Dr. Tada, disclosing the key challenges in the health sector, underscored the importance of strong political will, improved health budget and communication system and visible community participation to overcome the barriers in achieving goals of all health-related schemes. The workshop attended by healthcare professionals, government health departments, academia, media and other stakeholders, looked into mutually agreed ways for successful communication in improving health care in the North East.

As parallel to the 'Parliamentarians' roundtable and healthcare in North East India' held recently and pointed out that the region's parliaments have rated the issues of absence of medical colleges in Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland and Mizoram, thereby indicating shortage of medical professionals and staff in rural and remote areas and lack of adequate infrastructure. He also stressed the need to strengthen PHC and establish health care centers to deal with the problems of drugs, intoxicants and tobacco. He added that the roundtable discussion pinned on increasing focus on research and awareness creation and promotion of entrepreneurship in health sector.

The technical workshop on Child Health and Nutrition was held on Thursday with the participation of the directorate of Child Health and Nutrition, UNICEF also took part. Vairon Dr. Amrit Patro also spoke on the occasion.

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Gangtok-ah hmarchhak hriselna tur sawiho

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'Strong political will needed to overcome barriers in health sector'

GANGTOK, Sep 7: Arunachal Pradesh is the second state in the North East region to lag behind in achieving full antenatal care with just 2.6%, next to Nagaland with 2.4%. It ranks fourth among the NE states for highest infant mortality rate with record 30.

These data were revealed during a workshop on 'Building effective communication engagement pathways for public health in the North East' organized by Public Health Foundation of India in partnership with the Ministry of Development of the North East Region (DoNER) here today.

Concerned by the revelation, Director of Regional Resource Centre, MoHFW, Dr. Divin Toda, who was speaking as a resource person, stated that the health sector in NE states has not been able to notch up a level due to lack of health regulatory policies, poor private investments, demographical imbalance, and geo-political situations.

Dr. Toda citing the key challenges in health sector underscored the importance of strong political will, improved health budget and communication system and viable community participation to overcome the barriers in achieving the goals of all health-related schemes.

The workshop participated by health care professionals, govt health departments, academicians, media, and other stakeholders deliberated on mutually agreed ways for successful communication in improving health sector in the region.

As a panelist, MP of Sikkim, P.D. Rai, referring to the 'Parliamentarians' roundtable and healthcare in North East India' held recently, pointed out that the parliamentarians of the NE states had raised the issue of lack of a plethora of medical colleges in the states of Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland and Meghalaya, thereby highlighting the shortage of medical professionals and staff in rural areas and lack of adequate infrastructure.

He also stressed on the need to strengthen PHCs and establish rehabilitation centers to deal with the problems of drugs, tobacco, and alcoholism. He also informed that the roundtable discussion pointed on increasing focus on research and awareness creation and coordination.

Gauri Lanksh murder case; SIT starts probe

BENGALURU, Sep 7: The team of a 23-member SIT team in charge of the Gauri Lanksh murder case and the state government has been involved in another case.

North East Health Care Summit concludes

GANGTOK, September 5:

Organized by the Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) in association with STHM Hospital of the State Health Mission and A.K. Chhout, the 2nd Northeast Health Care Summit was held at Chuite in Gangtok.

The summit highlighted the need for a national health plan for the North East region that should be taken up by the central government.

The summit was attended by health officials and delegates from different states.

Darjeeling hills situation continues to remain fluid

SOUJATA CHANDA

The Darjeeling Hill station, which was last week brimming with tourists, remained largely deserted yesterday amid ongoing political turmoil in the state.

Tourism officials said the tourism industry had been hit hard by the ongoing political unrest in the state.
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**Workshop on public health discusses NE health issues**

The workshop on public health issues in the North-Eastern region was held in Gangtok, Sikkim. The workshop was organized by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, in collaboration with the North-Eastern Council (NEC) and the Government of Sikkim. The event was attended by health officials from various states and sectors, including doctors, nurses, and policymakers. The workshop aimed to discuss the health issues prevalent in the region and to explore strategies for improving public health services. It was well-attended by participants who discussed various aspects of public health, such as disease control, health promotion, and health education. The event was concluded with a resolution to implement the discussed strategies to address the health challenges in the North-Eastern region.

**Interaction on World Food India and Kisan Sampada Yojana**

An interaction on World Food India and Kisan Sampada Yojana was held in Gangtok. The event was organized by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India, in collaboration with the government of Sikkim. The interaction was attended by farmers, agricultural experts, and policymakers. The event aimed to discuss the initiatives launched under Kisan Sampada Yojana, which is a scheme aimed at promoting agricultural exports. The interaction was well-attended by participants who discussed the benefits of the scheme and the steps required to increase agricultural exports. The event was concluded with a resolution to implement the discussed strategies to address the agricultural challenges in the region.

**North-East Butterfly Meet held at Dzongu**

A North-East Butterfly Meet was held at Dzongu in Gangtok. The event was organized by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India, in collaboration with the government of Sikkim. The event was attended by entomologists, naturalists, and butterfly enthusiasts. The event aimed to discuss the butterfly species found in the region and to explore strategies for conserving these species. The event was well-attended by participants who discussed the benefits of the species and the steps required to conserve them. The event was concluded with a resolution to implement the discussed strategies to address the conservation challenges in the region.

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**North East Health Care Summit concludes**

The North East Health Care Summit was concluded recently. The event was organized by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, in collaboration with the government of Sikkim. The event was attended by health officials from various states and sectors, including doctors, nurses, and policymakers. The event aimed to discuss the health issues prevalent in the region and to explore strategies for improving public health services. The event was well-attended by participants who discussed various aspects of public health, such as disease control, health promotion, and health education. The event was concluded with a resolution to implement the discussed strategies to address the health challenges in the North-Eastern region.

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Mangan thana sets up child-friendly room

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A child-friendly room has been set up at the Mangan police station to provide a comfortable environment for children who need to visit the police station with their parents or other family members. The room is equipped with toys, books, and other amenities to make the experience more enjoyable for the children.

NE Healthcare Summit 2017 concludes

The second day of the NE Healthcare Summit 2017 concluded with a panel discussion on the needs and challenges faced by the health sector in the Northeast. The summit aimed to bring together government officials, healthcare professionals, and stakeholders to discuss strategies for improving healthcare in the region.

The summit was organized by the Indian Medical Association in collaboration with the North Eastern Council. Key speakers highlighted the importance of investment in healthcare infrastructure, the need for better coordination among different stakeholders, and the role of technology in improving healthcare delivery.

The final day of the summit will focus on the implementation of policies and initiatives discussed during the two-day event. Attendees are expected to leave the summit with a clear understanding of the steps required to address the healthcare challenges faced by the Northeast.
Arunachal ranks fourth in highest infant mortality rate in NE

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