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# **WHO Monthly Report**

**GANDAKI PROVINCE**

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S.N.	Major Health Events/Highlights	Support provided by WHO
1.	Accomplished Provincial Annual Health Review meeting	PHO provided technical support in two-days (1-2 October) Provincial Annual Health Review workshop for preparation and facilitation of overall annual health review meeting including setting evaluation criteria parameters, evaluating Poster Presentation, thematic presentations, drafting action directives. The workshop concluded with 18 points Action Directives as health sector priorities ahead for Gandaki Province. PHO has provided technical

Major Updates/Key Activities			Remarks
S.N.	UNIT	Description of Activities	
1.	HSS	Interaction program on WHO contributions and Provincial priorities in Gandaki Province	Handover of newly renovated meeting hall to the Secretary of MoSDH by WHO representative to Nepal in the gracious presence of Hon. Minister of MoSDH.
2.	HSS	Facilitated WR's visit in Gandaki Province	Visited to PPHL and Pokhara University to observe simulation lab supported by WHO
3.	HSS	HDPs coordination and interaction meeting	Provided coordination and facilitation support as a coordination focal point. PHO also presented on behalf of WHO Team.
4.	HSS	Provincial M&E Technical Committee meeting	Discussed and finalized the parameters for performance evaluation of Local level and affiliated health institutions (Health Offices, Hospitals and Ayurveda Health Centers).
5.	HSS	Provided technical support for drafting the Gandaki province second five-year plan (Health Section).	Draft of the strategic objectives, strategies and strategic actions under agreed thematic areas was submitted to PPC Gandaki province for further discussion and feedback.
6.	HSS	Provided technical support in drafting provincial public health service act based on the approved approach paper received from the OCMCM, Gandaki province.	

7.	HSS	Provided technical support for incorporating the feedback received from consultation meeting with Hon. Minister regarding the Provincial Health Training Strategy.	
8.	HSS and WHE	Meeting with Nepal Youth Movement Against Tuberculosis (NYMAT) to discuss on the organization's collaboration with WHO and also to work together towards making Gandaki Province the first TB free province	
9.	WHE	Dengue response in Tanahun	Conducted briefing on dengue status of the province, developed work division plan and submitted to the Secretary, also deployed to Tanahun district for support to MoSDH. Also highlighted the treatment modules and preventive measures, conducting fogging only as last resort, reporting and recording (SORMAS).
10.	WHE	Participated in the meeting of World Rabies Day.	Presentation was conducted by the FMO on Global and National status on Rabies and orientation on the National Guideline on Rabies Prophylaxis in Nepal 2019 (Post Exposure Prophylaxis).
11.	WHE	Support to Health Directorate in developing thematic presentation on outbreak surveillance and investigation.	During the development of the presentation, it was noted and also highlighted in the program that there is a palpable gap in outbreak data and reporting and this could be improved in the upcoming years by focusing more on uniform reporting as well as proper and academic documentation of the outbreaks.
12.	WHE	Support in provision of tents for the establishment of health desk in the ground crossing at Trivenidham of Nawalparasi District.	The NTD/VBD focal person from Health Directorate has requested WHE for the support of providing tents to place it in the Trivenidham border crossing in Nawalpur district for the purpose of screening the migrants and travelers for prevention and control of infectious and communicable district. Communication with the WHO Country Office has been established for the

			same and support has been assured once the process is passed through proper channel.
13.	WHE	Resource mapping of Satellite hospital	Updated and compiled the mapping of beds (which included Registered beds, general beds, HDU beds, ICU beds, NICU beds and PICU beds) and contact information of hospital directors and designated focal person of 16 Satellite (Private) hospitals of Kaski district, Gandaki province were updated, and the data was shared with MoSDH
14.	WHE	Communication and Coordination for suspected Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) cases in PoAHS	Coordination with PoAHS and PPHL in providing the VTMs to PoAHS, line list incorporation in SORMAS and relaying the result back to PoAHS.
15.	WHE	Meeting with PHEOC team for planning activities for upcoming FY.	<p>PHEOC Coordinator and focal person, Dr Madhurjee Dhakal, and PHEOC Deputy Coordinator, Mr. Buddhi Sagar Adhikari, along with WHO-WHE team.</p> <p>The planned activities/programs in this fiscal year are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data Visualization Training</li> <li>• Hub and Satellite Interaction Meeting (Hybrid)</li> <li>• Hub and Satellite Interaction Meeting (Physical)</li> <li>• Ambulance Driver and Dispatcher's Training for Drivers from Satellite Hospital of Kaski District</li> <li>• Multisectoral Coordination meeting with Nepal Army, Nepal Police, Armed Police Force, and the Health Sector of Gandaki Province</li> <li>• Drill/Simulation with Support from the Armed Police Force (APF) in one of the Hub Hospitals in the province</li> <li>• Monthly In-house Meeting of the PHEOC team with the WHO and MoSDH team.</li> </ul>
16.	WHE	Technical support in Virtual meeting for Dengue response.	Virtual meeting was organized by Ministry of Social Development and Health with technical support from WHO-WHE, participants were the Medical Superintendent of Damauli Hospital, Health Office chief of Tanahun and the

			Emergency Medical Team (EMT) which was deployed to Damauli Hospital from 11th Oct 2023 for proper case management
17.	<b>NCD</b>	Facilitated Conduction of NCD and MH policy dialogue as Direct Fund Commitment (DFC) in collaboration with EDCD	Financial and technical support were provided in form of DFC
18.	<b>NCD</b>	Once a month Opd of Psychiatry to provide mental health services at Lamjung Hospital was conducted.	Psychiatrist was provided as consultant with support from WHO
19.	<b>NCD</b>	Facilitated and provided technical support to celebrate World Mental Health Day in collaboration with PHD, Health Office, Kaski, Manipal Hospital, GMC, BG Hospital and NGOs working on Mental Health. An assembly was gathered in “Manav Adhikar Chowk” and stakeholders meeting was conducted at afternoon.	The day was celebrated sucessfully and feedback was taken from Stakeholders. Lack of proper planning and budgeting has hindered the people centric treatment in Mental Health
20.	<b>NCD</b>	NCD and MH health policy Dialogue: Local level Government, Health Office, Health workers were brought in a common platform and discussion were done to propose an action plan and commitment to prevent and strengthen the NCD and MH services in Manang District.	Common goals were discussed and document was signed in form of ownership of Local level Governemnt
21.	<b>NCD</b>	Psychiatric OPD was started and Lamjing Hospital. 60 patients were treated with prioritization of prescription of essential drugs. Opd will run once a month at Lamjung Hospital.	To strengthen mental health, one full time psychiatrist will be required at Lamjung Hospital to provide quality Mental Health Services at Lamjung District.
22.	<b>NCD</b>	Meeting with PHTC,Gandaki Chief for proposal of training healthcare workers of Lamjung district on mhGAP module IIb. Orientation of Healtworkers on Mental Health will act as an entry	Lack of Mental Health training in Last 3 Years has affected the mental health services at Lamjung

		point for initiation for treatment of iceberg cases in community.	
23.	NCD	Technical support was provided in Yearly review program for Health of Gandaki Province.	Platform to discuss and address key challenges of NCD and MH was provided by PHD, Gandaki

Issues and Challenges			Action Taken/Required at Province level
S.N.	UNIT	Description	
1	WHE	Availability of fund for outbreak response at the local level and Provincial level.	Local level should allocate funds required for outbreaks/emergencies. Province should support the local level in the guidance of development of health emergency plans. Also, Province should lead in the development and implementation of such plans.
2	WHE	Inadequate reporting and recording of outbreaks.	More Field Epidemiological Training Program graduates can be developed for the province. All outbreaks encountered should be developed into researches and articles for further publishing wherever feasible.
3	NCD	Lack of recording and reporting of NCD and MH cases from Hospitals and Health Centres	Distribution and procurement of NCD recording and reporting tools will be helpful.
4	NCD	Budget was not allocated to conduct NCD and MH training at Manang, Myagdi and Lamjing Health Office	Provincial budget allocation for training will be helpful.

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**Photo Section:**



*Photo Details: Hon. Chief Minister inaugurating Provincial annual health review meeting*



*Photo Details: Secretary MoSDH, delivering his remarks in Annual Health review meeting*



*Photo Details: DG, Health directorate presenting in the Annual Health review meeting*



*Photo Details: Panel discussion in the Annual review meeting*



*Photo Details: Meeting to draft second five-year plan of Gandaki province*



*Photo Details: MoSDH secretary handing over Hospital Upgradation report to Hon. Minister*

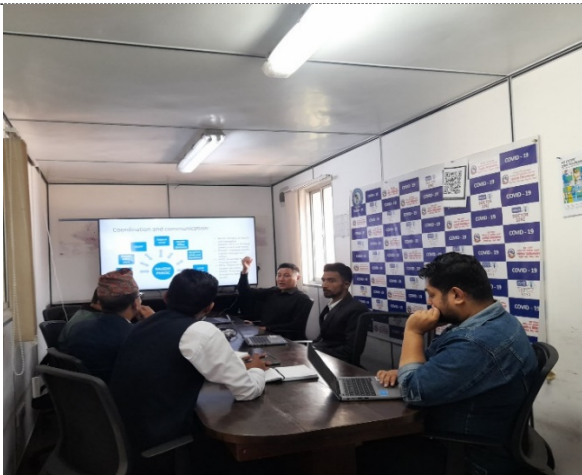




*Photo Details: Presentation on rabies management guideline conducted by FMO*



*Photo Details: Briefing Hon. Minister of Social Development and Health during a meeting in Tanahun Health Office regarding the activities planned and way forward for dengue response.*



*Photo Details: Meeting with PHEOC team for planning activities for upcoming FY.*



*Photo Details: Glimpse of Hybrid Orientation Program on Dengue and Seasonal Hyper-Acute Pan Uveitis (SHAPU) organized by the Ministry of Social Development and Health, Gandaki Province.*



*Photo Details: World Mental Health Day celebration*



*Photo details: WHO provincial team meeting with MoSDH Secretary*