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Major Updates/Key Activities			Remarks
S.N.	UNIT	Description of Activities	
1.	HSS	Provided technical support in finalizing the content and the presentation slides to be presented at NJAR meeting by Gandaki Province. PHO in consultation with Health secretary, Director General, PPP Division Chief of MoSDH prepared the presentation slides which was presented in NJAR Meeting.	<p>The presentation was mainly focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Progress and key achievements of FY 2079/80 ▪ New Initiatives in health sector taken by Gandaki province ▪ Activities, and progress on digitalization in health sector ▪ TB free initiative in Gandaki province and ▪ Immediate priorities agreed on the annual health review meeting in Gandaki province.
2.	HSS	Provided technical support for the development presentation slides on <i>Nutrition advocacy and orientation to elected representatives of Local levels</i> to be implemented by health offices.	<p>The content will be mainly focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nutrition and its importance in human health ▪ Insecticide/pesticide free food and health ▪ Healthy diet and healthy behaviour ▪ Maternal and newborn nutrition ▪ Interrelationship between soil and nutrition ▪ Indigenous food and their health benefits
3.	HSS	Participated in the five-days training on QGIS organized by Health Directorate, Gandaki province.	The training was mainly focused on basic knowledge and skills required to create, edit, visualize, analyze, and publish geospatial information.
4.	HSS	Participated in a joint meeting held with Gandaki province government, Ministry of Social Development and Health, Government of Nepal, Department of Livestock Services, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), World Health Organization (WHO), Directorates related to animal health in the province and the presence of laboratory officials.	The objective of the meeting was to discuss and explore ideas and ways on how the joint programs are being conducted on the part of human health and animal health, the status of program implementation, potential risks and identification of emergency health conditions in both areas, coordination and collaboration mechanism and the possibility of additional collaborative programs under the One Health Concept.

5.	HSS	Participated in joint meetings with MoSDH, HD and JICA Partnership Project (JPP) to discuss regarding the Maternal and Child Health Handbook (MCH HB).	The meeting was mainly focused on the status of MCH HB use for delivering the Continuum of Care in Matrishishu Miteri Hospital, Pokhara and further scale up throughout the province.
6.	HSS	Provided technical support to review the implementation status of Fifth Human Right National Plan of Action 2077/78-2081/82).	
7.	HSS	Providing technical support to prepare the presentation on status of key health indicators and the priorities based on the evidence and the objectives of the JICA.	A brief presentation covering the glimpse of the health status in Gandaki province, key initiatives by Gandaki province in health digitization, maternal and child health, and the comprehensive model for health sector development in Gandaki province was prepared.
8.	HSS	Work on the draft provincial public health service act. A ZERO draft of the act will be completed by the end of December and then it will undergo series of consultations and revisions.	The provincial public health service act has planned to be endorsed by the end of March 2024.
9.	WHE	Food borne disease outbreak response in Lamjung along with government officials from Epidemiology and Disease Control Division, Ministry of Social Development and Health, and PPHL	A clear case definition was established, and multiple questionnaires were meticulously crafted to gather information from the affected individuals. Thorough investigation was conducted, and the results conveyed to the respective stakeholders.
10.	WHE	Initiation of Phase 2 EMR in Madhyabindhu Hospital. The team focused on orienting individual on-duty staff in various departments, including IPD-Medical Ward, Surgical Ward, Maternity Ward, OT, Pediatrics, and the Emergency Department. Feedback was collected from each department, and the developer addressed issues on the spot.	WHE-FMO and IMA, along with the software developer from WCO, were actively involved in implementing the second phase of the EMR at Madhyabindu District Hospital. The team delivered ICT equipment supported by the World Health Organization (WHO), installed it in the Inpatient Department (IPD) and Emergency departments, and configured the system accordingly.
11.	WHE	Support to Health Office Nawalparasi East with provision of 2 temporary	A meeting was conducted in the border crossing with stakeholders and decided that the Local level

		structures for establishment of Health Desk	to provide space and facilitate the management of set up area then WHO to support set up of the tents.
12.	WHE	World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) 2023 celebration: Supported in “orientation program on Antimicrobial Resistance” conducted by Ministry of Social Development and Health	The program was chaired by the Under Secretary MoSDH and other participants included Division chiefs and staffs from MoSDH, staffs from Health Directorate, Director from PPHL, ICDH, DLFD, chief of health office Kaski, veterinary laboratory chief, AMR focal person from sentinel sites (Manipal Teaching Hospital and PoAHS), Pharmacists of Kaski District.
13.	WHE	Tanahun bus accident response from PHEOC. A tragic bus accident occurred in Tanahu District, resulting in two fatalities and leaving 34 individuals injured. Immediate response efforts were initiated, with 10 serious cases referred to Manipal Teaching Hospital, 7 admitted to Damauli Hospital, and 17 receiving medical attention at Ratnahari Hospital.	In the wake of the accident, swift communication channels were established with the directors of hub and satellite hospitals, ensuring a coordinated response. The disaster focal person played a crucial role in disseminating information and coordinating the transfer of serious cases to Manipal Teaching Hospital.
14.	WHE	Collaborative research writing meeting.	The focus of the meeting was on collaborative research writing titled "A Retrospective Study of the Epidemiology of Dengue Fever in Gandaki Province, 2019-2023." This research will be a joint effort between the MoSDH and WHE teams, utilizing secondary data.
15.	WHE	Discussion meeting between WHE team and Army Hospital team on planning for conducting program on Hub and Satellite Networking, HDPRP and multisectoral collaboration. The discussions during the meeting revolved around various activities and programs outlined by the Ministry of Social Development and Health/ Provincial Health Emergency Operation Center, particularly focusing on emergency preparedness and response.	The activities planned and discussed were as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orientation on Hub-Satellite-PHEOC Network and Hospital Disaster Preparedness and Response Plan (HDPRP): • Interaction Meeting Between Health and Security Personnel to strengthen multisectoral engagement in Emergency Preparedness and Response. • Conduction of a Mock Drill: Dr. Ajay requested the WHE team's technical support and facilitation in conducting a mock drill at the Military Hospital.

16.	WHE	Meeting with Mr Yam Baral (Vector Control Supervisor Officer, Kaski) on SORMAS	A meeting was conducted in PHEOC with WHE team and Mr. Yam Baral (Vector Control Supervisor Officer from the Health Office Kaski) where the main discussion was done on the status update of SORMAS data entered by hospitals of Pokhara.
17.	NCD	Facilitated conduction of Community Mental Health workshop for Mental Health toolkit development in coordination with EDCD and KOSHISH	Financial support was provided to KOSHISH
18.	NCD	WHO Quality Rights TOT was conducted in coordination with EDCD, DoHS and CMC Nepal	Financial support was provided
19.	NCD	Provided technical support on workshop of “social inclusion of people with mental and psychosocial disability”. The program was organized by MoSDH with support from EDPs and attended by different stakeholders and people living with mental health conditions	Social integration of people living with mental health conditions needs to be addressed. Lack of peer support group for different illness is essential to reduce stigma.
20.	NCD	Provided technical support on WHO Quality Rights TOT. The training aims to approach any mental health and disability with humanitarian approach. Empowerment of people as well as health workers are essential for good quality mental health	County contextualization of the training will help in grass root approach for management of psychiatric illness
21.	NCD	Facilitated conduction of Community Mental Health workshop for Mental Health toolkit development in coordination with EDCD and KOSHISH. The workshop will support formation of mental health toolkit which will support health system for management of Mental Health conditions	Different and effective planning for health promotion and treatment of Mental health conditions are required to strengthen the mental health service system.
22.	NCD	Supported MSAP committee formation program organized by Pokhara Metropolitan office.	Provincial level MSAP committee will help to strengthen NCD prevention.

23.	IPD	An AFP cross boarder notified from India Verification	An AFP case cross boarder notification investigation in India. The case was from Rupandehi, Nepal there case home visited and verified from Pokhara.
24.	IPD	60 Days follow-up of an AFP case diagnosed and investigated from INDIA	An AFP case was reported in India the case was from Nawalparasi, due SMO post vacant in Butwal FO therefore the case was pending for verification and visited to patient home investigated and verified.
25.	IPD	Two AFP case regular reported from Butwal FO was verified.	Two cases are reported at Butwal FO, one from Rohini RM and another from Butwal sub metro city, SMO from Pokhara visited to their home, investigated, and verified with adequate sample collection.
26.	IPD	Conducted regular active VPD surveillance at District hospitals, Health Offices, PHC, HP and local government	Technical support provided in VPD case identification and reporting to WHO-IPD and sample collection
27.	IPD	CIF verification of Butwal FIO	The cases under Gandaki provinces are reported at Butwal FO therefore reviewed of all CIF of an AFP, AES and suspected measles cases are reviewed and verified.
28.	IPD	AFP cases verification at Baglung	An AFP cases from Baglung was reported from UCMS Rupandehi and SMO visited to UCMS and verified the case with adequate sample collection and another case reported from Darbang Myagdi and SMO visited to patients' home and verified
29.	IPD	Sub-district level VPD surveillance workshop conducted at Syangja, Gorkha and Kaski district	Conducted of VPD surveillance sub-district level workshop at Gorkha district hospital, Aarughat PHC Gorkha, Charak memorial private hospital Kaski and Manipal Teaching Hospital and Provided orientation to all staffs regarding VPD surveillance cases of AFP, AES, Suspected measles/Rubella, and neonatal tetanus (NNT)
30.	IPD	Handover Takeover (HOTO) activities are completed at WHO-IPD Butwal FO	Due to the vacant post of SMO at Butwal FO we SMOs are looking simultaneously to Butwal and right now SMO is relocated at Butwal, and we handed over all the responsibility to newly relocated SMO of all administrative, financial, and technical activities.

Issues and Challenges			Action Taken/Required at Province level
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Photo Section:



Photo Details: Group Photo after completion of 5 days QGIS Training



Photo Details: Joint meeting with FAO representatives to discuss on the One Health strategy



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Photo Details: joint meetings with MoSDH, HD and JPP to discuss regarding the MCH Handbook



Photo Details: MoSDH Team reviewing the implementation status of Fifth Human Right National Plan of Action 2077/78-2081/82)



Photo Details : PHO facilitating the interaction meeting on AMR orientation program



Photo Details: WHE-FMO, IMA and Software developer collecting the feedback and addressing the issues during the phase 2 EMR initiation in Madhyabindu Hospital, Nawalpur.

Photo Details: Discussion with the Binay Tribeni Rural Municipality chief and it's ward (6 and 7) regarding the establishment of health desk in border crossing at Susta Binaytribeni



Photo Details: Team from EDCCD, MoSDH, PPHL and WHE meeting with Director of HCDCS Namuna Community Hospital and Health Section Chief of Sundarbazar Municipality, Lamjung.



Photo Details: orientation program on Antimicrobial Resistance during WAAW week, MoSDH hall.



Photo details: WHO Quality Rights Workshop ToT on Mental Health



Photo Details: workshop on community mental health workshop.



Photo Details: AFP verification at Butwal (Patient from Dhorpatan MP, Baglung) and Darbang PHC of Myagdi



Photo Details: A newly established VPD surveillance RU at Health Facility and focal point orientation



Photo Details: Joint monitoring visit of RI session at Kharbang BHSU with Immunization Officer of Health Office, Baglung



Photo Details: Joint monitoring visit of RI session at Narjakhani BHSU with Immunization Officer of Health Office, Baglung



Photo Details: VPD surveillance workshop at Manipal Teaching Hospital Pokhara as interactive activity



Photo Details: VPD surveillance workshop at Charak Memorial Private Hospital Kaski Pokhara