

INGO Registration Process Update

- Overall PHF Membership includes 43 INGOs. As per decision of Ministry of Interior, irrespective of the date of expiry all PHF members who were in receipt of a MOU had applied for renewal of their MoU within the deadline (31st Jan 2020). The renewal process is ongoing.
- 3 PHF member have confirmed that they have received their renewed MOU.
- As per decision of Ministry of Interior, the deadline to apply for renewal of the MoU will be same each year (i.e. 31st January).
- 5 out of 8 PHF members who were awaiting decisions on their appeal representations, have confirmed that they are in receipt of MOU from Ministry of Interior.
- The Ministry of Interior website portal has not been amended and highlights an overall total of 75 MOUs issued/approved INGOs.
- PHF engagement with key stakeholders and effected members is ongoing.

July GMM Update

GMM July was held on 2nd July, 2020 at 10:00 am. Meeting minutes to be shared.

PHF Advisory - Health Guidelines for Eid ul Adha- 2020

Since COVID-19 pandemic has struck the world due to rapid human-to-human transmission, therefore considering the potential risk, Government of Pakistan has designed health guidelines for Eid ul Adha to control the spread of Corona Virus. Based on these guidelines, PHF has prepared an advisory for its ember organisations. To see the advisory, <u>please click here</u>.

Humanitarian and Development Updates

COVID-19 Update

- In light of the current COVID-19 crisis, PHF is sending out daily situation reports to members, donors, and other stakeholders. These reports comprise of national and global statistics of the spread of the coronavirus as well as any important national/global updates. PHF Members Response is also included in daily SITREPs.
- As of 23 July 2020, Pakistan has a total of confirmed 269,191 coronavirus cases. Of the total, 213,175 patients recovered, while 5,709 lost lives battling the disease.
- The UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) has handed over 25,000 Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) kits to the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA).

- The Islamabad authorities said that of a total of 2,355 tests done in last 24 hours, only 21 came back positive today since early May. The positivity rate has decreased to under 0.89% in the federal capital.
- The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government is investigating reduction in deaths due to COVID-19 to determine if patients are dying out of hospitals or the virus has really become less infective.
- A new study by scientists at the University of Nebraska, which was uploaded to a medical preprint site, has shown for the first time that SARS-CoV-2 taken from micro droplets, defined as under five microns, can replicate in lab conditions.
- As per agreed generic coordination understanding between PHF and NDMA on COVID 19 response, PHF is sharing its members' response summary on weekly basis.
- During this time of crisis, the PHF members have actively responded in supporting National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), which is the operational lead on COVID-19 crisis in Pakistan. Several PHF members have donated face masks, gowns, goggles, sanitizers, and is playing a part in raising awareness among the communities they operate in.
- Different guidelines for various sectors in relation to the COVID-19 response are also being shared with the members and other stakeholders.

Publications and Resources

Humanitarian Policy & Practice Digest – 23rd July 2020

Inter Action has published "Humanitarian Policy & Practice Digest" as of 23rd July, 2020. To see the digest, <u>please click here.</u>

Development Aid News Digest (13th July – 19th July 2020)

To see the Development Aid News digest (13th July – 19th July 2020), please click here.

Upcoming Meetings at PHF

- 24th July 11:00-12:30 pm Health Working Group Meeting
- 6th August 10:00-11:45 am GMM