Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India

National Consultation on Smokeless Tobacco

Organised by: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India
In Collaboration with: Public Health Foundation of India and World Health Organization
April 4-5, 2011, Committee Room A & C, Vigyan Bhawan (Annexe), New Delhi

AGENDA

Time	Session	Resource person
	Day 1 (April 4, 2011)	
09.30 – 10.00 am Registration		
10.00 – 11.00	**Opening Ceremony**	
10.00-10.10	Welcoming Remarks and overview of the Consultation	**Dr. K. Srinath Reddy** President, PHFI
10.10-10.15	**Lamp lighting by the dignitaries**	
10.15-10.25	Address	**Dr. Poonam Khetrapal Singh** DRD, WHO, SEARO
10.25-10.35	Address	**Dr. R K Srivastava** DGHS, DteGHS
10.35-10.40 **10.40-10.55**	Release of : • Training Manual for Doctors • A Guide for Teachers • Tobacco Dependence Treatment Guidelines • Standee on Smokeless Tobacco Keynote address by the Chief Guest	**Sh. K. Chandramouli** Secretary, MoHFW
10.55-11.00	Vote of thanks	**Dr. D C Jain** DDG, Dte.GHS
11.00 – 11.30	**Press Conference/Nutrition Break**	
11.20 – 12.20	**Plenary Session-I: Smokeless tobacco – Understanding the Pandemic**	**Chair: Sh. Keshav Desiraju** Additional Secretary, MoHFW **Co-Chair: Dr. Nata Menabde** WHO Representative, India
	• Typology, prevalence and implications of smokeless tobacco ○ Global Burden	**Dr. Gregory Connolly** Harvard School of Public Health
	○ Regional Burden	**Dr. Dhirendra Sinha** WHO, SEARO
	○ Indian Burden	**Dr. Jagdish Kaur** DteG H S
12.20 – 01.20 (15 minutes each)	**Plenary Session-II: Global/regional experience on policy interventions for control/regulation/ban of smokeless tobacco**	**Chair: Dr. Dinesh Bhatnagar** Addl. DG, Dte.GHS, MoHFW **Co-Chair: Dr. K. Srinath Reddy** President, PHFI
	• International and regional developments and best practices	**Mr. Sunder Lokhande** Compliance Officer, New Zealand
	• Indian initiatives on banning smokeless tobacco	**Dr. Monika Arora** Head: Health Promotion & Tobacco Control, PHFI
	• Provisions to regulate smokeless tobacco under PFA Act/FSSA	**Dr. Dhir Singh** ADG (PFA), FSSAI

01.20 – 02.20	**Lunch**	
02.20 – 04.30	**Breakaway Group-I:** Imposing complete ban on smokeless tobacco products – Evidence based recommendations based on existing legislations	**Chair: Sh. B. K. Prasad** Joint Secretary, MoHFW **Moderator: Ms. Vineet Gill** NPO, WHO, India
	Breakaway Group-II: Implications of complete ban on smokeless tobacco products – steps for providing tobacco dependence treatment	**Chair: Dr. D C Jain** DDG, DteGHS **Moderator: Dr. P.C. Gupta** Director, Healis-Shekhsaria Institute for Public Health, Mumbai
	Breakaway Group-III: Economic implications of ban on smokeless tobacco products including taxation, alternative livelihood, and illicit trade	**Chair: Dr. Vinayak Prasad** Senior Advisor, WHO, TFI **Moderator: Dr. Sakthivel Selvaraj** Health Economist, PHFI
04.30 – 04.45	**Nutrition Break**	
07.00 pm onwards	**Evening reception and dinner hosted by PHFI**	Rose Garden, India International Centre (IIC)
Day-2 (April 5, 2011)		
10.00 – 11.00	**Presentations by the Breakaway Groups on policy recommendations for regulating smokeless tobacco** (10 min presentation + 10 min discussion)	**Chair: Sh. B.K. Prasad** Joint Secretary, MOHFW **Co-Chair: Dr. K. Srinath Reddy** President, PHFI
11.00 – 11.15	**Nutrition Break**	
11.15 – 12.30	**Roadmap and possible strategies for ban on smokeless tobacco.**	**Chair: Dr. Dinesh Bhatnagar** Addl. DGHS, DteGHS **Panelist1- Sh. B K Prasad** Joint Secretary, MoHFW **Panelist 2- Dr. P C Gupta** Director, Healis-Shekhsaria Institute for Public Health, Mumbai **Panelist 3- Dr. Vinayak Prasad** Senior Advisor, WHO- TFI
12.30 – 12.45	**Closing remarks and vote of thanks**	**Dr. K. Srinath Reddy** President, PHFI
12.45 – 01.45	**Lunch**	