

Building Climate Resilient Health Systems in the Global South

Wednesday, April 06, 2022 3:00 - 5:00 pm (Pakistan Time) / 10:00 am - 12:00 pm (GMT)

World Health Day: "Our Planet, Our Health"

INTRODUCTION

Climate change related crises have been a matter of great concern and debate for global experts for decades. The growing threats of global warming and environmental degradation pose severe threats to human health and health systems. According to World Health Organization (WHO), additional 250,000 climate associated deaths per year are expected between 2030 to 2050. The pandemic has also gravely affected the capacity of our health systems to cope with climate related direct or indirect health impacts, ensure efforts and continuity to protect, manage and deliver health to local populations especially the climate vulnerable communities.

RENEWED PLEDGE FOR CLIMATE RESILIENT HEALTH SYSTEMS

During the COP26 held in Glasgow last year, field experts called for attention to SDG3 through COP26 health programme. In COP26, world leaders agreed and pledged to take concrete steps for climate resilient and sustainable low carbon health systems and advocated swift action for climate crisis. The populations living in the Global South are more vulnerable to the threats of climate change and face more adverse consequences of the climate events due to weaker health systems. In the backdrop of the renewed pledge, efforts to building better health systems need to be focused towards the Global South.

WORLD HEALTH DAY 2022: "OUR PLANET, OUR HEALTH"

Realizing the needs of sustainable health systems further strained by the pandemic, COMSATS is organizing a webinar titled "Building Climate Resilient Health Systems in the Global South", on Wednesday, 6th April 2022. The global activities on World Health Day 2022 with the theme, "Our planet Our health" urges the governments and organizations to become advocates of "act for climate, act for health".

The webinar will highlight challenges being faced and the strategic responses to these for formulating the climate resilient health systems in the most vulnerable and neglected region i.e. the Global South.

OBJECTIVES

In view of the world's needs during and after the pandemic, the webinar aims to:

- 1) Assess the challenges faced by the Global South in building resilient health systems;
- 2) Highlight adaptation measures and strategic responses for sustainable health systems in the Global South;
- 3) Propose policy measures and actions for climate resilient health systems.

Zoom Registration for Participation: https://tinyurl.com/BCRHS2022 For further information, please contact:

Dr. Azeema Fareed

Pr. Medical Officer, COMSATS Secretariat Email: drazeema@comsats.org Mobile: 0333-5371822

Live streaming on our Youtube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwFQGSXMTo63O-aEIrxoggQ