

World Health Organization (WHO): Seventy-Fourth World Health Assembly (74th WHA)

Item 32 (Pillar 4): Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations.

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Thank you, Chair

Globally to accelerate progress on achieving the Sustainable Development Goal targets, India supports the collaborations that various internal agencies of the United Nations have among themselves and with other intergovernmental organizations.

India believes that the United Nations may create and provide more platforms to all its stakeholders to come together often and collaborate to tackle issues of topical importance especially after the outbreak of the pandemic. With increase in added risks imposed by new variants of coronavirus, it seems imperative for WHO and the United Nations to play a pivotal role to bring together the global community to strengthen public health emergencies preparedness and response. The collaborations under these umbrella with improved strategies for vigilance may also help in early detection and prevention of such outbreaks in their nascent stage.

Chair,

India acknowledges the work done and progress made by WHO in terms of providing Hosted partnerships which has made integral contributions in terms of improved health outcomes and sustainable impact, especially in various developing nations. We believe that our statement around the importance of Digital Health Agenda for effective monitoring targets like triple billion goals, anticipation of future diseases etc may be fostered and new software and technology sharing through WHO and United Nations system and other intergovernmental organizations

COVID Pandemic has brought to forth the importance of Digital Health Agenda as a new normal for health service delivery. An integrated digital health platform is the need of the hour especially considering triple billion goals which will require effective monitoring and WHO through hosted partnerships can make a major statement with respect to prioritizing the digital agenda.

Chair,

India has always collaborated with the United Nations throughout the UN's long-standing history and actively engaged with various United Nations agencies to realize the sustainable development goals and achieve a better future for all.

We have always strived hard to ensure that our efforts and objectives align with the larger vision and mission of the WHO and the United Nations and we hope that all the Member States will continue collaborating with the UN and with each other with an objective of safeguarding well-being of the global community.

Thank you.