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### FOREWORD



It gives me pleasure to write foreword for the sixth e-newsletter. The most important event, though mandatory has been the organization of the Annual General meeting during this quarter. It was a special event in the sense that a scientific session preceded the business meeting. Presentations were made on the projects under operation and those completed and research activities.

The research project - Overcoming barriers to scaling skilled birth attendants' utilization in improving Maternal, Newborn and Child Health in Nepal –Phase II is ongoing at Bajhang, Dailekh and Kanchanpur. The Farmers' Health and Environment Project at Chitwan had different activities completed. The Global Antibiotic Resistance Project – Nepal is supporting the development of Drug Resistance Index (DRI) Program in Patan Hospital.

The staff members and founding members have been participating in a number of meetings, conferences, training workshops and seminars and this would certainly help in technical capacity building. On invitation of the Public Health Foundation of Bangladesh as Special Guest, I participated in the function celebrating the 1<sup>st</sup> Public Health Foundation Day. I would like to express my gratitude to the President of PHFBD, Prof. Muzaherul Huq and CEO Prof. Dr. Sharmeen Yasmeen for the courtesy and hospitality extended to me. Lastly, I extend best wishes for success in future to Dr. Gajananda Praksh Bhandari, who resigned from the post of Programme Director, NPHF effective 1 January 2014.

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