

SENATE SECRETARIAT

No. F. 6(1)/2024-27/C-II

Islamabad, 27th July, 2026.

NOTICE

The Senate Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination will hold its meetings in Karachi on 5 and 6 August 2026. The agenda for the meetings is as follows:

**On 5 August 2026 at 11:00 a.m at the College of Physicians
and Surgeons Pakistan, Karachi**

1. Briefing by the Secretary, M/O NHSR&C, and the Secretary, Health Department, Government of Sindh, regarding the growing incidence of HIV cases in Sindh, particularly among children.
2. Briefing by the Secretary, M/O NHSR&C, Government of Pakistan, and the Health Department and Population Welfare Department, Government of Sindh, on the implementation of population and reproductive health policies in the Province, including family planning, maternal, newborn and child health (MNCH), adolescent reproductive health, contraceptive prevalence, unmet need for family planning, measures to address rapid population growth, federal-provincial coordination, strengthening primary healthcare and reproductive health services, public awareness initiatives, resource allocation, and policy measures to improve population management and health outcomes in the Province.
3. Briefing by the Secretary, M/O NHSR&C, regarding Border Health Services, border health security and the preparedness of designated points of entry to respond to Public Health Emergencies of International Concern (PHEICs) in accordance with the International Health Regulations (2005), including disease surveillance, screening and management of communicable and emerging infectious diseases, integration with the National Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response System (IDSRS), operational readiness and emergency response capacity. Inter-agency coordination among Federal and Provincial authorities, implementation of passenger health screening, vaccination requirements, digital health measures and traveller health advisories, and health preparedness for Hajj, Umrah, Arbaeen pilgrims, and other international travellers.
4. Compliance status by the Secretary, M/O NHSR&C, on the implementation of the Committee's recommendations made at its meetings held on 8 July and 9 September 2025 regarding the revision of stipends for postgraduate residents and house officers. (Rs. 140,000-160,000 per month).
5. Briefing by the Secretary, M/O NHSR&C, on the implementation of the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PM&DC) regulations relating to postgraduate trainees, with particular reference to the enforcement by the College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan (CPSP) of PM&DC notifications regarding uniform stipends in public and private sector institutions, the regulatory action taken by CPSP against institutions violating stipend regulations, and the establishment by CPSP of a transparent complaint and grievance redressal mechanism for postgraduate trainees.
6. Any other item(s) with the permission of the Chair.

**On 6 August 2026, at 11:00 a.m at the Office of the Pakistan Pharmaceutical
Manufacturers Association (PPMA), Karachi**

1. Briefing by the Pakistan Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association (PPMA) on the following:
 - i. The status of Pakistan's pharmaceutical industry, including production capacity, contribution to the national economy, local manufacturing, import dependence, pharmaceutical exports, and initiatives to promote the domestic production of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs) and other essential medicines.

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- ii. The regulatory framework governing the pharmaceutical sector, including drug pricing, quality assurance, compliance with the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan (DRAP) regulations, availability and affordability of essential medicines, the import of medicines for chronic diseases and the associated expenditure, initiatives to promote local manufacturing, prevention of substandard and counterfeit medicines, strengthening of Drug Testing Laboratories (DTLs), supply chain resilience, and collaboration between the Government and the pharmaceutical industry in support of national health programmes and public health emergency preparedness.

Pharma Bureau

2. Briefing by the Pharma Bureau (PB) on the following:
 - i. The status and contribution of multinational pharmaceutical companies operating in Pakistan, including foreign direct investment, local manufacturing, research and development, technology transfer, availability of innovative and life-saving medicines, medicine security, regulatory and pricing challenges, and policy measures to strengthen Pakistan's pharmaceutical sector and improve patient access to quality healthcare.
 - ii. Measures undertaken by multinational pharmaceutical companies to ensure the uninterrupted supply of essential and life-saving medicines during public health emergencies and other disruptions, including initiatives to promote local manufacturing, technology transfer, capacity building, research collaboration, resilient supply chains, and public-private partnerships for the sustainable development of Pakistan's pharmaceutical industry.
3. Any other item(s) with the permission of the Chair.


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D.G./Secretary (Committee)

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1.	Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti	Chairman
2.	Senator Syed Masroor Ahsan	Member
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4.	Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri	Member
5.	Senator Rubina Khalid	Member
6.	Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand	Member
7.	Senator Fawzia Arshad	Member
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10.	Senator Liaqat Khan Tarakai	Member
11.	Senator Nadeem Ahmed Bhutto	Member
12.	Senator Rahat Jamali	Member
13.	Senator Shahzaib Durrani	Member
14.	Senator Nasir Mehmood	Member
15.	Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination	Ex-officio Member

(I) COPY FOR NECESSARY ACTION TO:-

1. The Secretary, M/O NHSR&C, Islamabad, is requested to attend the meeting along with all concerned officers.
2. **The Section Officer (Council) M/o National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, Islamabad** to provide 36-copies of the working papers (in Urdu and English) along with list of participants to this Secretariat 48 hours before the meeting.
3. **P.S. to Federal Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad** with the request to inform the Federal Minister to attend the meetings.

4. **The Secretary, Health Department, Government of Sindh**, is requested to attend the meeting on 5 August 2026 at Agenda Item No. 1, along with all concerned officers. The Secretary is further requested to ensure that all necessary medical arrangements are made at the venue(s) of the meetings/visit and that this Secretariat is duly informed. The deputed medical staff may be directed to report to the Director Staff to the Chairman Committee at Mobile No. 0336-9137971.
5. **The Secretary, Labour Department, Government of Sindh**, is requested to attend the meeting on 5 August 2026 at Agenda Item No. 1, along with all concerned officers.
6. **The CEO/Chairman, Sindh Healthcare Commission, Government of Sindh**, is requested to attend the meeting on 5 August 2026 at Agenda Item No. 1, along with all concerned officers.
7. **The Director General, Environmental Protection Agency, Government of Sindh**, is requested to attend the meeting on 5 August, 2026 at Agenda Item No. 1, along with all concerned officers.
8. **The Director General, Sindh Child Protection Authority, Government of Sindh**, is requested to attend the meeting on 5 August, 2026 at Agenda Item No. 1, along with all concerned officers.
9. **The Secretary, Population Welfare Department, Government of Sindh**, is requested to attend the meeting on 5 August, 2026 at Agenda Item No. 2, along with all concerned officers.
10. The Inspector General of Police, Government of Sindh, is requested to make necessary security arrangements, including the provision of an adequate security squad, for the Members of the Committee and officers of the Senate Secretariat during their stay in Karachi. The leader of the security squad may be directed to report to Syed Khalilullah Shah, Director Staff to the Chairman Committee, at Mobile No. 0336-9137971.
10. The Home Secretary, Government of Sindh, is requested to make necessary security arrangements at his end under intimation to this Secretariat.
11. The Director News, PTV, Islamabad, is requested to direct the authorities concerned at PTV Karachi to make the necessary arrangements for the coverage of the meetings/visit.
12. The Director (Public Relations), Regional Information Office, Government of Pakistan, Karachi, is requested to make the necessary arrangements for the coverage of the meetings/visit. (By UMS).
13. **Mr. Shakeel Ahmed Memon, In-charge, Senate Camp Office, Room No. 120, Sindh Assembly Building Karachi**, to oversee and confirm accommodations arrangements. (BY UMS)
14. **The Section Officer (E-IV), Ministry of Housing and Works, Islamabad**, is requested to reserve 08 Suites/Rooms in the Qasr-e-Naz, Karachi from (03rd to 06th August, 2026) for the Officers of the Senate Secretariat.
15. **The Comptroller, Federal Lodge, Qasr-e-Naz, Club Road, Karachi**, is requested to reserve 08 Suites/Rooms in the Qasr-e-Naz Karachi from 03rd to 06th August, 2026 for the Officers of the Senate Secretariat. (BY UMS).

(II) Copy also forwarded for information to:-

1. The Attorney General for Pakistan.
2. The Accountant General of Pakistan Revenue, Islamabad.
3. The Principal Secretary to Chairman Senate, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
4. The Director Staff to Deputy Chairman, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
5. The Director Staff to Leader of the Opposition, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
6. The Director Staff to Leader of the House, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
7. The Private Secretary to Chief Whip, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
8. The Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
9. The Joint Secretaries (Committees, Admn. & Legis), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
10. The Deputy Secretary (Committees), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.

11. The Director (Media), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
12. **The Director (Automation), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad, with the request to make necessary arrangements for uploading of Committee Notice on Senate Website.**
13. The Deputy Director (Library), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
14. Syed Muhammad Ali Naqi, Consultant to the SSC on NHR&C. Contact No.0300-4640593.
15. The Senior Finance and Accounts Officer, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
16. The P.S to Chairman Senate Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, Block-C, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
17. The Information Officer (Senate) P.I.D, Islamabad.
18. All Senators Services Centers, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad..
19. The Parliamentary Reporters Association, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.


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