

Economic Aspects of COVID-19 in Pakistan
Consultative Meeting
Health Services Academy, Islamabad

Agenda: 20th Oct 2020

Time	Activities	Speakers
10:45-10:55	Registration	-
10:55-11:00	Recitation of Holy Quran	-
11:00-11:10	Welcome and Introduction of Participants	Dr. Assad Hafeez Vice Chancellor, Health Services Academy, Islamabad
11:10-11:20	Unemployment, Poverty and Inequality due to COVID-19 & Government Relief Initiatives: Ehsaas Program	Dr. Sania Nishtar Federal Minister, Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Poverty Alleviation and Social Protection, Islamabad
11:20-11:30	The Economics of COVID- 19 and its Implications on Transforming Health Financing Systems	Dr. Awad Mataria Director, Universal Health Coverage/ Health Systems World Health Organization, Regional Office for Eastern Mediterranean, WHO-EMRO
11:30 -11:40	Inter-Ministerial Collaboration for COVID-19 Funds	Dr. Shabnum Sarfraz Member, Social Sector & Devolution, M/o Planning, Development & Special Initiatives, Islamabad
11:40-11:50	Health Budgets and Foreign Funding for COVID-19	Mr. Eazaz Aslam Dar Additional Secretary-I, Economic Affairs Division, Islamabad
11:50-12:00	Fiscal Space Analysis for COVID 19 and other Emergencies	Dr. Ali Hamandi Health Economist, World Bank, Washington D.C, USA
12:00-12:30	Group Photo & Refreshments	
12:30-12:40	A Comparative Analysis of Direct and Indirect Economic Effects of COVID-19 of South Asian Countries.	Dr. Zulfiqar A.Bhutta Professor & Co-Director, Sick Kids Hospital, Toronto, Canada
12:40-1:40	Moderated Session on Strategic Questions (All Stakeholders)	Dr. Shafqat Shehzad Advisor, Health & Population Think Tank, Health Services Academy, Islamabad
1:40-1:55	Key Recommendations of the Meeting	Dr. Ahmad Hussen Tareq Technical Lead, Health & Population Think Tank, Health Services Academy, Islamabad
1:55-2:00	Vote of Thanks	Dr. Assad Hafeez Vice Chancellor, Health Services Academy, Islamabad