Appreciation of the outgoing
Regional Director for South-East Asia

The Executive Board,

Desiring to express its appreciation to Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh, for her services as Regional Director for South-East Asia;

Mindful of Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh’s lifelong, professional devotion to the cause of global health, and recalling especially her 10 years of service as Regional Director for South-East Asia;

Recalling resolution SEA/RC76/R2 (2023) adopted by the Seventy-sixth Session of the Regional Committee for South-East Asia, which designated Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh Director Emeritus of the South-East Asia Region,

1. EXPRESSES its profound gratitude and appreciation to Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh for her invaluable contribution to the work of WHO, especially over the past decade, her exemplary leadership, and her strategic vision to achieve tangible and measurable improvements in the health and well-being of the people of the WHO South-East Asia Region through prioritizing the most pressing needs in the form of eight Regional Flagship Priority Programmes; and her diligence to secure the health of all the people, her stewardship and her relentless pursuit of excellence in disease elimination in the Region;

2. ADDRESSES to her on this occasion its sincere good wishes for many further years of service to the global health community.

Third meeting, 23 January 2024
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