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Agenda item 28: Matters for information: Progress reports

J. WHO global strategy on health, environment and climate change: the transformation needed to improve lives and well-being sustainably through healthy environments (decision WHA74(24) (2021))

L. Behavioral sciences for better health (resolution WHA76.7 (2023))

M. Accelerating action on global drowning prevention (resolution WHA76.18 (2023))

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Thank You Chair!

India welcomes the WHO Global Strategy on Health, Environment and Climate Change and recognizes the critical importance of integrating health, environment and climate change.

India participated in the first Climate-Health Ministerial meeting during the 28th session of the Conference of Parties to the UNFCCC and the WHO Second Global Conference on Air Pollution and Health.

The government of India is taking necessary actions into strengthening climate-resilient health system through scaling up primary prevention, ensuring universal access to water, sanitation, hygiene, waste, and electricity in healthcare facilities and intersectoral collaboration.

India recognizes the planetary crisis and stands committed with other SEAR countries for prompt and accelerated actions at all levels.

Chair,

India mainstreams behavioural and social sciences in all major health programs, using Structured Social and Behavior Change Communication (SBCC) and behavioural insights in campaigns such as polio, HIV, and COVID-19. Capacity building and partnerships with academia are ongoing, and India supports WHO's development of toolkits, training, and culturally adapted interventions, while sharing its own experiences.

Chair,

India is developing a National Drowning Prevention Strategy with WHO support, piloting community programs, and integrating drowning prevention into disaster management and school curricula. Efforts focus on public awareness, multi-sectoral collaboration, and improving data.

India calls for technical support, better data, and global collaboration, and commits to sharing expertise and scaling proven interventions.

Thank You.