

# Nepal - National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance

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### Overview - Strategic Priority 4 of NAP AMR

It addresses the optimization of the use of antimicrobial agents in human, animal, and food with the objectives to:

- Regulate Access to High-Quality Antimicrobials
- Surveillance of Antimicrobial Use and Consumption
- Antimicrobial Stewardship in Human Health
- Antimicrobial Stewardship in Animal Health
- Rational Use of Antimicrobials in Community Settings

## Nepal's initiative on Strategic Priority 4

- Access to quality, safe, and effective antimicrobial medicines for the human and animal sector has been improved
- Reporting of Antimicrobial consumption (AMC) data to Global AMR Surveillance System (GLASS) has been initiated
- 6<sup>th</sup> revision of National Essential Medicine List (EML) as per the WHO EML guidelines based on the Access, Watch, and Reserve (AWaRe) category of antibiotics for each level of health facilities has been published by DDA in 2021

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 Post-marketing surveillance (PMS) and quality testing of antimicrobials use for human and animal health has been carried out routinely

Revision of Standard antibiotic treatment guidelines, 2014 is ongoing

 Point prevalence survey on Antimicrobial Use: Conducted in 3 sites (Manipal Teaching Hospital, Patan Hospital and TU Teaching Hospital)

Drafting of National Infection Prevention guideline is ongoing

#### **Key Enablers**

- AMS activities are planned under Strategic priority of NAP AMR
- Lead entities are identified to undertake activities
- Activities are prioritized and costed in the operational plan in a time bound manner

#### **Key Challenges**

 NAP AMR endorsement for implementation of AMS related activities is under the process

**Next Steps**: Endorsement of NAP AMR

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