PC HLIP II Implementation
Updates from the Field

PIP Advisory Group Meeting – March 2021
Regional Updates
PIP PC Implementation – SEARO

1. Lessons of pandemic – the basis for optimizing PIP PC implementation in “New Normal” in 2021

- All PIP-PC fund recipient MS met virtually on 16-17 December
- Shared lessons learned and described wide range of challenges in 2019
- MS such as Nepal, Myanmar shared innovative ways adopted in complementarity with COVID response
- Jointly discussed plans for optimal implementation in 2021
- All voiced the need for strengthening national RCCM plans for Influenza epidemics and pandemics
- Recommended using COVID-19 pandemic response as a live testing exercise of IPPP for updating it

2. PIP PC support sustains influenza & builds in COVID-19 Laboratory and Surveillance activities

- Integrated national ILI/SARI surveillance training combined with COVID-19 in Timor-Leste
- Operational support for sample transportation, sample packaging & storage cost to sustain integrated COVID-19 and ILI/SARI surveillance and training for staff in expanded non-sentinel surveillance sites in Myanmar
- PIP support for sustaining ILI/SARI surveillance in overwhelmed Non-PIP PC MS- Bhutan/Sri Lanka (Reagents) and Maldives (Data support)
- Nepal in a national consultation with the NIC, collaborating laboratories, animal health sector and IHR NFP identified challenges and decided the way forward