



**UNRC, Mr Tapan Mishra's speech at the World Health Day 2023 event  
on the occasion of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary WHO  
in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia**

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*Your Excellency, President of Mongolia, Mr U. Khurelsukh,  
Your Excellency Prime Minister L. Oyun-Erdene  
Honorable Minister of Health, Mr S. Chinzorig,  
Distinguished Parliament Members,  
Honorable Representatives and Head of Delegate of Diplomatic missions, International and UN Organizations in the  
country,  
Distinguished colleagues from the Government and Non-government organizations  
Ladies and gentlemen,*

Warm greetings and welcome to World Health Day event, also celebration of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the WHO. Today we are celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the establishment of the WHO, which marks a long journey of the UN's collaboration with Member States to bring about Health for All, peace and prosperity for all people. **Health For All** envisions that all people have good health for a fulfilling life in a peaceful, prosperous, and sustainable world. The UN in Mongolia gives the highest importance to health as a human right. And we are putting this into operation through our collective work in supporting the Government to achieve Sustainable Development Goals. Every target of the SDG speaks of the development and protection of human life and encapsulates everyone's right to health.

The UN in Mongolia works together with the Government and development partners to support Vision 2050 to achieve an inclusive, resilient, healthy, and safe environment, and a cohesive society based on the rule of law.

Without good health, there can be no economic prosperity. And thus, the UN works to ensure that in health, no one is left behind. At the global level, UN advances high-level political attention, commitment, and action to health. In 2019, the UNGA endorsed an ambitious and comprehensive political declaration on universal health coverage (UHC), reaffirming the right of every human being, without distinction of any kind, to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health and recommitting to achieve universal health coverage by 2030. During COVID-19 the UN mobilized all its agencies to mount a multisectoral response in every country and mobilized partnerships and resources to support countries in the response – among its most notable contributions is the equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines and the mobilization of humanitarian funding to support countries.

In Mongolia, the UN cooperation framework puts forth an over-arching vision - By 2030, all people in Mongolia over their life course benefit from shared prosperity characterized by inclusive, resilient and sustainable development, as well as a healthy and safe environment; and thrive in a cohesive society based on rule of law and human rights. We are hopeful that through our cooperation framework, we can sustain and continue our efforts in the health sector with the unwavering support of WHO until Mongolia is able to achieve SDG 3: good health and wellbeing.

Our efforts align with the National priorities enumerated in Mongolia's Vision 2050 as well as the 3 priorities articulated by the President: "Billion Trees", "Food Revolution" & most importantly "Healthy Mongolian". The celebration of World Health Day today reminds us of our enormous task, but it is also an enduring inspiration of our collective and continued commitment to achieving health for all in Mongolia and beyond.