



The Republic of Union of Myanmar

National Unity Government

Ministry of Health

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1. From the time the Committee Representing Pyithu Hluttaw came into being in February 2021, personnel from the soon to be Ministry of Health had been involved in forming the National Unity Government with the ultimate aim of building a Federal Democratic Union. At the same time short term plans were laid down to establish the universal healthcare system that is available to all the denizens and long term health policies were also being examined.
2. The Ministry congratulates each and every one of the healthcare workers who have been taking in the Civil Disobedience Movement. The Ministry duly pledges that the positions, appointments you hold will be kept open for you. You, the public, also rejected and rebuffed the healthcare provided for by the military regime. The Ministry offers its condolences to all the staff and heroes of the whole nation who had fallen due to the brutal suppression by the junta. In addition, those healthcare workers, who without due consideration for their own safety, looked after the wounded and the injured and those who had been arbitrarily arrested, we hope that they are to be released soon and give encouragement in your fight against the military dictatorship.
3. Those personnel who have been forcefully removed and have become internally displaced persons; we shall provide healthcare as soon as is feasible. In addition, we will unite, direct and care for those whose care facilities have been forcibly closed and healthcare programmes that are essential to the public, for all to be safely reinstated in the short term during the interim period of the National Unity Government.
4. We, therefore, will institute disease prevention programmes and primary care programmes, trauma care and COVID-19 prevention programmes in the first instance. Tele-consultations and telemedicine, webinars etc., will play a major part in implementing modern

telecommunications methods in healthcare. To invest in those essential and indispensable modern means and methods discussion will have to take place with friendly organisations and donors.

5. In the long run with the help of all concerned we, hand in hand, will work towards Universal Health Care (UHC) which will form the basis of the healthcare system in the Federal Democratic Union. All Ethnic Health Organisations will equally become part of the national healthcare workforce. We shall all join forces with other health related organisations such as UN agencies, multinational health organisations, civil societies such Community Based Organisations/Civil Society Organisations, intellectuals, experts etc and regional leaders and work together in solidarity.
6. During the interim period of the National Unity Government, the ministry shall openly inform the general public of the healthcare choices available to them.
7. As the Federal Health System is to be the mainstay of our future Nation, we all shall work together openly with transparency to establish the system. The Ministry vows to strenuously take part in the building of the future Federal Democratic Union and its Universal Healthcare System.

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