





# SAARC Second Conference on Tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS & Respiratory Diseases

15-18 December, 2008, Kathmandu, Nepal



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## THEME OF CONFERENCE

**Working together to fight against TB, HIV/AIDS and Respiratory Diseases.**

## OBJECTIVES

1. To disseminate new research on TB, HIV & Respiratory disease.
2. Sharing the experiences of Programme implementation, research and innovations.
3. Generating awareness on the urgency of tackling TB, HIV & TB/HIV Co-infection.





Dear Colleagues and friends,

It gives me great pleasure and honor to extend my warm welcome to all of you from the SAARC region and abroad for the SAARC Second Conference on Tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS and Respiratory Diseases to be held from 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> December, 2008 at Kathmandu, Nepal.

The Conference, themed "Working Together to fight against TB, HIV/AIDS and Respiratory Diseases" aims at highlighting the achievements and challenges for TB and HIV/AIDS control, and at the same time emphasizes on partnership building among different sectors involved in the control measures.

Facing emerging and re-emerging infections in the world, we are confronting new challenges and frontiers in disease management and control. It is our aim to discuss the latest developments and innovative approaches for the benefit of the countries in the region.

I believe that the participation and scientific deliberations of high standard and relevant to the present context shall ensue. I cordially look forward to welcome and meet all of you during the conference in Kathmandu, Nepal.

**Dr. Kashi Kant Jha**  
**Director**  
**SAARC TB & HIV/AIDS Centre**

WELCOME





## COMMITTEES for the CONFERENCE

### 1. Advisory Committee Members:

- Mr. Hassan Shifau, Director, Social Affairs Division, SAARC Secretariat
- Representative of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, SAARC Division, Government of Nepal
- All Governing Board Members of STC
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- Mr. Kishor Pradhan, Country Representative to Nepal, PANOS South Asia, Patan Dhoka, Nepal





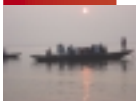
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  - Dr. Ejaz Qadir, Research Coordinator, National TB Centre, Pakistan
  - Dr. Asha Rao, UNFPA, Thailand.
- (Subject to consent of the officials/experts)

**4. Organizing Committee shall consist of the following sub-committees:**

- Communication & Reception Committee
- Finance Committee
- Local Arrangement & Accommodation Committee
- Publication Committee
- Registration Committee
- Exhibition & Decoration Committee
- Tour/travel & Transportation Committee

**CONFERENCE INFORMATION:**

- ➔ **CONFERENCE DATES:** 15-18 December 2008
- ➔ **CONFERENCE VENUE:** Hotel Yak & Yeti, Durbar Marg, Kathmandu
- ➔ **CONFERENCE WEBSITE:** [www.saarctb.com.np](http://www.saarctb.com.np)





## IMPORTANT DATES:

**INAUGURATION:** 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2008 at 4.00 PM

**REGISTRATION:** Pre-registration is available from February 2008 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS:** Abstract submission  
Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008

- ➔ **CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE:** Certificate of attendance will be given to all registered delegates
- ➔ **LIABILITIES:** The organizing committee will not assume any responsibility for accidents, losses or damage as well as for delays or modifications in the programme.
- ➔ **LANGUAGES:** The official language of the conference is English
- ➔ **EXHIBITION INFORMATION:** The exhibition provides an ideal opportunity for members of the pharmaceutical industry, healthcare providers and publishers to display and discuss the latest products and services available in the related field.  
For further information on the availability of exhibition space and comprehensive details of all promotional opportunities, please contact the Conference Secretariat
- ➔ **CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT:**  
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- ➔ **CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS:** The provisional Programme will be available on the website: www.saarctb.com.np and the final programme, will be published in July 2008 and will be available on the web-site.

## Call For Abstracts

Abstracts will be accepted for free communication sessions, with Scientific Programme committee reserving the right to allocate abstract/s to either oral presentations or poster sessions.

Acceptance/non-acceptance of the abstract/s will be notified by 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2008.

All accepted abstracts will be published in a supplement of the SAARC Journal for TB, HIV/AIDS and Respiratory Diseases. Publication of the abstracts in the Abstract Book requires conference registration by at





least one author prior to conference latest by 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2008.

### INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS

Please follow the instructions given below:

1. Your abstract must contain:
  - i. a descriptive title and list of authors
  - ii. an introduction/rational of the study
  - iii. the objectives of the study
  - iv. the methodology in brief
  - v. results of the study
  - vi. conclusions
2. Abstract must be in English language
3. Responsibility for accuracy rests with the author/s
4. Type title in capital letters
5. When using abbreviations, spell the name out on first mention and follow with the abbreviations in parenthesis. Do not use abbreviations in the title of the abstract.
6. Abstract should not be more than 300 words. Abstracts more than 300 words shall not be accepted.
7. Mode of submission:

#### **E-mail:**

You may download the Abstract Form from the website: [www.saarctb.com.np](http://www.saarctb.com.np) and send to the conference e-mail: [saarc-conference@mos.com.np](mailto:saarc-conference@mos.com.np)

OR

#### **Post (Air-Mail):**

Fill the Abstract Form as per the instructions mentioned above and post to Conference Secretariat at:

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Thimi, Bhaktapur,  
G.P.O. Box No. 9517, Kathmandu  
Nepal**

**Abstract submission deadline  
30<sup>th</sup> June, 2008.**





## SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

- Plenary Sessions
- Symposia
- Poster Sessions
- Meet the Experts

### Topics

| MAIN TOPICS  | SUB TOPICS   |
|--|--|
| <b>TB Control</b>                                    | ✍ Diagnosis & Treatment of TB  |
|  | ✍ TB infection and Disease   |
|  | ✍ Extra pulmonary TB   |
|  | ✍ MDR TB   |
|  | ✍ XDR TB   |
|  | ✍ Recent advances in TB & Respiratory diseases                           |
|  | ✍ TB in prisons, refugee camps, migrants population, difficult terrains. |
|  | ✍ The challenges to DOTS/TB control                                      |
|  | ✍ Cross border issues in relation to TB                                  |
|  | ✍ Public-Private Mix   |
|  | ✍ Poverty and TB   |
|  | ✍ Gender issues in TB  |
|  | ✍ Recent advances in TB & Respiratory diseases                           |
|  | ✍ Impact of HIV/AIDS on TB control programme                             |
| ✍ TB & Acute Respiratory Tract Infection in children |  |
| ✍ Economic impacts of TB                             |  |
| ✍ Role of Nursing and allied profession in TB        |  |
| <b>Lung Health</b>                                   | ✍ COPD   |
|  | ✍ Asthma   |
|  | ✍ Tobacco Smoking  |
|  | ✍ Lung Cancer  |
|  | ✍ Occupational/Environmental lung diseases                               |
|  | ✍ Practical Approach to Lung Health (PAL)                                |
|  | ✍ Sleep related respiratory disorders                                    |
|  | ✍ Interstitial Lung Diseases   |
| <b>HIV/AIDS</b>                                      | ✍ Recent advances in HIV/AIDS  |
|  | ✍ Gender issues in HIV/AIDS  |
|  | ✍ Cross border issues in relation to HIV/AIDS                            |
|  | ✍ Treatment, Care and Support  |
|  | ✍ Public-Private Mix   |
|  | ✍ Economic impact of HIV/AIDS  |
| <b>TB/HIV Co-infection</b>                           | ✍ Role of Nursing and allied profession in HIV/AIDS                      |
|  | ✍ Care for TB/HIV Co- infected persons                                   |
|  | ✍ Confidentiality issues   |
|  | ✍ Screening of HIV among TB patients; TB disease among HIV infected      |
|  | ✍ CPT (Cotrimoxazole Prophylaxis therapy)                                |
|  | ✍ INH Prophylaxis  |

Note: Any other relevant topic not indicated above.





## Tentative Programme of Scientific Session:

### Day 1: 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2008

- ☉ On site Registration: 9.00 AM onwards at the Conference Venue
- ☉ Inauguration
- ☉ Cultural Programme/Dinner

### Day 2: 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2008

#### Topics:

- ☉ TB Control
- ☉ TB/HIV Co-infection

### Day 3: 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2008

#### Topics:

- ☉ HIV/AIDS
- ☉ Lung Health

### Day 4: 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2008

#### Topics:

- ☉ TB/HIV Co-infection
- ☉ Closing

## Registration

#### To Register:

Please complete the registration form and fax it or post it to the Conference Secretariat at:

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#### A registered delegate is entitled to:

- Participate in all Scientific Sessions of the Conference
- Receive the complete Conference Bag, Proceedings and other Conference Documentation
- Attend the Opening Ceremony, Welcome Reception/Dinner and Closing Ceremony





### Registration Fee for SAARC Member Countries:

|   | Early Bird Registration<br>30 <sup>th</sup> June 2008 | On site<br>Registration |
|---|---|-------------------------|
| *Delegates sponsored by Organization                          | US \$ 75.00   | US \$ 100.00            |
| Individual  | US \$ 15.00   | US \$ 20.00             |
| **Medical Student (MS), Nurses (N) & Para-Medical Staff (PMS) | US \$ 10.00   | US \$ 15.00             |
| Accompanying Person as per the above headings respectively    |   |                         |
| Local participants can pay registration fee in Local Currency |   |                         |

\* A letter of sponsorship must be enclosed

\*\* Certificate of MS/N/PMS must be enclosed

### Registration Fee for out of SAARC Member Countries:

|   | Early Bird Registration<br>30 <sup>th</sup> June 2008 | On site<br>Registration |
|---|---|-------------------------|
| *Delegates sponsored by Organization                          | US \$ 250.00  | US \$ 300.00            |
| Individual  | US \$ 200.00  | US \$ 250.00            |
| **Medical Student (MS), Nurses (N) & Para-Medical Staff (PMS) | US \$ 120.00  | US \$ 180.00            |
| Accompanying Person   | US \$ 120.00  | US \$ 180.00            |

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### Mode of Payment:

**1. For delegates from abroad including SAARC Region (except local participants):** All payments must be made in US dollars. Payment made by Credit Card, Bank Draft or Bank Transfer must be remitted to SAARC Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre, US\$ Current Account No. 02-03-21-75002-39, NABIL Bank Ltd., Kantipath, Kathmandu, Nepal, Swift Code: NARBNPKA, (Tel: 00977-1-4227181, Fax: 00977-1-4226905)

**2. Local Participants:** Payment may be made by Bank draft, Account transfer, cash deposit in SAARC TB and HIV/AIDS Centre, in local currency in Current Account No. 02-01-01-75014-69, Nabil Bank Ltd., Kantipath, Kathmandu, Nepal, Swift Code NARBNPKA or cash payment to SAARC TB and HIV/AIDS Centre, (Thimi, Bhaktapur) Kathmandu, Nepal for Early Bird Registration.

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### ABSTRACT FORM

#### PRESENTING AUTHOR:

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Initials: ..... Family Name: .....

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Topic : \_\_\_\_\_

Authors : \_\_\_\_\_

Introduction: \_\_\_\_\_

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Objectives: \_\_\_\_\_

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Methodology: \_\_\_\_\_

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Results: \_\_\_\_\_

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Conclusion: \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum number of words : 300

Keywords: ..... (maximum 4 words)

Notification of acceptance of abstracts will be sent to the corresponding author at the end of 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2008. Accepted abstracts will be published in the Abstract Book as a supplement to the SAARC Journal on TB and HIV/AIDS. Publication in the Abstract Book requires registration by at least one author by 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2008

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ABSTRACT FORM





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### REGISTRATION FORM

(Please fill out the form in BLOCK LETTERS)

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I duly authorize you to charge US \$..... from my credit card for the registration of SAARC second Conference on TB, HIV/AIDS and Respiratory Diseases (Amount In Words: \_\_\_\_\_)

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