

## BETTER DATA FOR BETTER HEALTH

## Developing an Indian Approach on Indicators to Achieve Sustainable Development Goals

July 25, 2016 | Venue: Longchamp, Taj Mahal Hotel, New Delhi

A major challenge to health policymaking in India is the insufficient district level data for customised and evidence-based planning. Better data and statistics will help track progress, strengthen accountability and support evidence-based decisions. A data revolution is needed: To draw on existing and new sources of data to fully integrate statistics into decision making, promote open access to and use of data, and ensure increased support for statistical systems.

In India, the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) is currently coordinating formulation of a national indicator framework for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Core health and nutrition related indicators will need to be finalised in a context of challenges regarding quality, timeliness and periodicity of data.

ORF cordially invites you to a discussion on how the SDGs give India an opportunity to streamline its population statistics architecture, and to put in place an Indian approach to measuring progress in health and nutrition. The event will explore data and indicator related issues around core maternal health, child health and nutrition indicators with particular focus on the following:

- What are the data gaps that still persist for core district-level indicators in the area of reproductive, maternal, neonatal and child health and nutrition?
- How can the statistical system engage the private sector?
- How can the existing surveys and India's Health Management Information System (HMIS) be made better to help customised and evidence-based planning?
- Are there possibilities of an annual technology-driven survey tracking key aspects of health/nutrition SDGs, providing panel data for constituency level progress cards?

## **Agenda:**

10:30 am – 11:00 am

Registration

11:00 am – 11: 20 am

**Opening session** 

Welcome remarks: Ashok Malik,

Distinguished Fellow, ORF

Inaugural address: Bibek Debroy,

Member, NITI Aayog

11:20 am – 01:20 pm Technical session

**Special address: Sunil Nandraj**, Advisor (Clinical Establishment Act), MoHFW

**Keynote address: Krishna Kumar**, DDG, MoSPI

Panel discussion

CHAIR Charu C. Garg, Advisor, NHSRC

**Shobha Mishra Ghosh**, Senior Director, FICCI

P. M. Kulkarni, Leading Demographer

**Anjali Nayyar**, Senior Vice President, Global Health Strategies India

Ratna Anjan Jena, Advisor, WCD

Priyanka Saksena, Technical Officer, World

Health Organisation

1:20 pm – 1:30 pm Concluding remarks

Yamini Atmavilas, BMGF India

1:30 pm – 1:40 pm Vote of thanks

Vikrom Mathur, Senior Fellow, ORF

1:40 pm onwards Lunch

Please RSVP to Priyanka Shah <priyanka.shah@orfonline.org> at the earliest.