

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
House of the Federation



**REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES, REGULATIONS AND
COORDINATION**

ON

**POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE RAISED BY SENATOR DANESH
KUMAR IN THE SENATE SITTING HELD ON 15TH JULY, 2025,
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REPORT NO. 12

PRESENTED BY

Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti
Chairman
Senate Standing Committee on National Health Services,
Regulations and Coordination

SENATE SECRETARIAT

Subject: **REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES, REGULATIONS AND COORDINATION ON THE POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE RAISED BY SENATOR DANESH KUMAR IN THE SENATE SITTING HELD ON 15TH JULY, 2025, REGARDING "PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES IN TERMS OF NOT FOLLOWING THE INTERNATIONAL BEST PRACTICES"**

I, Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti, Chairman Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination have the honour to present, on behalf of Committee, this report on a point of public importance raised by Senator Danesh Kumar in the Senate sitting held on 15th July, 2025, regarding "Public health issues in terms of not following the international best practice" referred to the Committee for consideration and report.

2. The composition of the Committee is as under:-

1. Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti	Chairman
2. Senator Muhammad Ahad Khan Cheema	Member
3. Senator Abdul Qudoos	Member
4. Senator Syed Masroor Ahsan	Member
5. Senator Liaqat Khan Tarakai	Member
6. Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand	Member
7. Senator Fawzia Arshad	Member
8. Senator Rubina Khalid	Member
9. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati	Member
10. Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
11. Senator Anusha Rahman Ahmad Khan	Member
12. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri	Member
13. Senator Rahat Jamali	Member
14. Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee took up the matter in its meetings held on 21st August, 2025 and 9th September, 2025, which were attended by the following Members along with the Mover:

1. Senator Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui	Member
2. Senator Syed Masroor Ahsan	Member
3. Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand	Member
4. Senator Fawzia Arshad	Member
5. Senator Rubina Khalid	Member
6. Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
7. Senator Danesh Kumar	Mover

4. Senator Danesh Kumar expressed serious concern over the rising number of C-section deliveries, terming it unfair to women, and alleged excessive prescription of medicines by

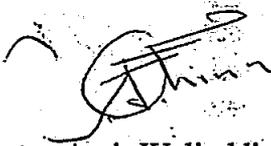
doctors for personal benefits. The matter was supported by Senators Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui and Rubina Khalid, who emphasized the need for monitoring doctors and noted that, unlike Western countries where normal deliveries are preferred, Pakistan is witnessing a disproportionately high rate of C-sections.

5. The Minister for NHR&C informed the Committee that no Universal Medical Record system currently exists; however, a concept has been developed to use the CNIC as a Universal Medical Record in coordination with NADRA. He highlighted the importance of real-time data and informed that a Command and Control Room is being established at NIH for the said purpose.

6. The Committee, after deliberations, directed the Ministry along with the Islamabad Healthcare Regulatory Authority (IHRA), to collect and provide comprehensive data from federal and provincial hospitals regarding the number of C-section deliveries for further consideration and resolution of the matter. Consequently, the Islamabad Healthcare Regulatory Authority (IHRA) informed the Committee that the authority had sought the acquisition of relevant data pertaining to caesarean sections and spontaneous vaginal deliveries (SVDs) in order to ascertain the ratio of existing situation. They have also informed that once the data is received from all healthcare establishments (HCE's), the same will be communicated to the Committee.

7. While considering the exercise spanning multiple provincial domains, the Committee decided to dispose of the matter with directions that as soon as the requisite data is received from the Ministry, the same will be shared with the mover of the point of public importance. The Committee also approved presentation of this report to the House.


(Naeem Akhtar Bhatti)
Secretary Committee


(Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti)
Chairman Committee