

**Note to the Secretary-General
(through the Deputy Secretary-General)**

Scaling up efforts to achieve the Millennium Development Goals in Pakistan

1. Following the Secretary-General's visit to Pakistan, Ms. Shamshad Akhtar, Assistant Secretary-General, DESA, met with senior government officials to further convey the Secretary-General's messages on MDG acceleration efforts and to raise awareness of persistent gaps and challenges toward 2015.
2. The Speaker of the National Assembly of Pakistan has formed a task force at the federal level comprised of Members of the National Assembly. Similar task forces are being convened at provincial levels. The objective is to sustain an enabling environment for an inclusive and transparent consultation process on the MDGs and the post-2015 development agenda.
3. Provinces have started working on MDG Acceleration Frameworks (MAF). The task force will be an oversight on the performance of each province. The Provincial MAFs will be compiled and reported to the United Nations.
4. A National Round table is scheduled at the end of October, chaired by the Speaker of the National Assembly. It will develop a final report on recommendations and challenges toward 2015 and beyond. The compiled report will form the basis for the Pakistan's Parliament response on all international forums, including the forthcoming Inter-Parliamentary Union hearing (14 - 15 November 2013) and the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association's international conference on post-2015 (25-29 November 2013).



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From: Shamshad Akhtar/NY/UNO
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Subject: Fw: Pakistan's Position on MDGs and SDGs

Dear Ms. Susana Malcorra

During the SG visit to Islamabad I stayed an additional day to meet up some key people to alert them to how Pakistan was falling short on MDG targets and send them some background documents to raise awareness.

Just a little nudging has paid high dividends as Speaker has formed task force both at federal and provincial levels to take the Mission forward and I hope their report is done by UN Assembly event as it will surely be good to hear how they are moving forward. This is being shared internally in DESA and UNDP.

For information of SG with thanks for giving me opportunity to accompany him. warm regards



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Dear Ms. Akhtar,

It was a pleasure to have met with you and your insights and guidance on MDG post 2015 have been of immense value.

Post our discussion The Honorable Speaker of the National Assembly has articulated his deep personal commitment to the MDG initiative and has outlined some sustainable concrete steps in order to advance the MDG goals. I am happy to share with you following:

The honorable Speaker has convened a task force consisting of Members of the National Assembly which I am leading as a Member of National Assembly. The objective is to maintain and sustain an enabling environment for initiating an open, inclusive and transparent consultation process. The Honorable Speaker has requested to convene similar task force at a provincial levels

A series of Engagement sessions and consultation meetings have been scheduled both at Federal and provincial level to ensure we understand the various issues and needs of all key stakeholders who will have the ownership to drive the MDG initiatives. Our finding and all agreed actions will be formalized in a report that will be presented at the UN Assembly Meeting In New York

The first of such meetings is scheduled for 12 September 2013, involving all line ministries, donors and civil society and key stakeholders. The objective of the meeting will be to; i) review the progress in respective MDG against the set targets, milestones, challenges and lesson learnt ii) Share analysis and recommendation on the way forward for MDG 2013-2015 iii) Share respective MDG Acceleration Framework of the provinces iv) share transformational recommendation with government on post 2015 sustainable Goals that will enable continuous discourse with the UN, IPU, CPA and all other key stakeholders.

I am pleased to share with you that the Provinces have started working on UN Millennium Acceleration Frameworks wrt each MDG and the task force will be an oversight on the performance of each province. The Provincial MAF will be compiled and reported to the UN

The National Round table is planned to be organized at the end of October chaired by the Honorable Speaker to compile a final report on recommendation, readiness and challenges related to post MDG 2015 i.e sustainable development Goals strategy. The compiled report will form basis for the Pakistan's Parliament response on all international forums especially the forthcoming IPU Parliamentary Hearing, due in Nov this year and at the CPA UK's Parliamentarian conference on post 2015 scenario.

There is a high level of energy and rigour behind the MDGs MAF in Pakistan led by the Honourable Speaker with his personal involvement and interest.

We are looking at a collaborative approach and unique initiatives to create a holistic comprehensive and robust MDG platform. A key enabler to this the support and all the information and documents you have shared along with your insights and expertise have added tremendous value for the core group in understanding the post MDG 2015 approach.

Feel free to contact me if you need any further assistance. Please find enclosed the detailed work plan till November, 2013.

Best regards,
Marriyum Aurangzeb

Goal: Maintain and Sustain a transformational and productive relationship between Federal and Provincial levels for MDGs and Post MDG

Objectives:

1. Initiate a Dialogue with line ministries, donors & key stakeholders at federal and Provincial levels to compile data on MDG Performance
2. Review MDGs Progress against set targets, milestones, challenges, and lesson learnt
3. Compile analysis and recommendation on the way forward for MDG 2013-2015
4. Compile Recommendation on MDG Acceleration Framework at Federal Level and Provincial Levels
5. Compile Recommendation and Way forward on post 2015 MDG strategy that will enable continuous discourse with the UN and all key stakeholders post MDG 2015

Outputs	Activities	MoVs	Timeline	Status
1. MDGs' Task Force (TF)	1.1 Constitute MDGs TF to initiate a dialogue between the relevant ministries, Donors and Key stakeholders at federal & Provincial Level	1.1. 1 Appointment of the TF 1.1. 2 Letters sent to the members 1.1. 3 Letters sent	1.1 1 25 th Aug 1.1. 2 September 2 nd , 2013 1.1. 3 September 3 rd , 2013	Completed Completed Completed
2. Working paper developed on the way forward to facilitate the TF to ...	2.1 Develop a draft working paper on the way forward to devise a strategy to compile MDGs' Performance analysis and Post MDG recommendations 2.2 Share the draft working paper with the TF appointment for comments	2.1.1 Draft Working Paper	2.1. 1 September 4 th , 2013	
3. Literature Review	3.1 Collect all the latest reports on the MDGs Performance 3.2 Review and Compile all the online analysis 3.3 Review the Parliamentary Committee Report on MDG Performance	3.1 Reports collected	3.1. 1 September 4 th -15 th , 2013	Initiated
4. Reports, data & Analysis compiled on the performance of MDGs'	4.1 Send letters to the relevant ministries, donors and stakeholders at federal level to nominate a focal person to develop a brief on the performance of respective MDGs' against targets, Lesson learnt and way forward to MDG Acceleration Framework between 2013-2015 4.2 Convene a meeting with the nominated focal persons from the relevant ministries, donors and key stakeholders to reflect of the briefs submitted and presented 4.3 Finalize the recommended agenda for the National Consultation Round table chaired by the Honorable Speaker	4.1.1 Copies of the Letters to line ministries at federal and Provincial Level, EAD, Planning and Development Division, UN, One UN, DFID, UNICEF, IUCN, WWF etc 4.2. 1 Minutes of the Meetings 4.2. 1 Photographs 4.3. 1 Draft Agenda for the National Consultation Round Table	4.1.1 September 2 nd -9 th , 2013 4.2. 1 September 9 th , 2013 4.3.1 September 9 th , 2013	
5. Provincial TF on MDG Performance and Post MDG Strategy	5.1 Honorable Speaker NA will write letter to the Provincial Speakers in each Province to constitute a TF on MDG 5.2 The Names of the TF will be shared with the NA Speaker by the 10 th of September	5.1 .1 Letters Sent 5.2. 1 Nominations of the Task Force 5.3. 1 Correspondence	5.1.1 September, 4 th , 2013 5.2. 1 September, 10 th , 2013 September-October, 2013	Initiated

	<p>5.3 The federal Convener will liaison with the Provincial conveners to expedite the consultative Process to compile the reports, briefs and recommendation on Post MDG 2015 strategy</p> <p>5.4 Invite the relevant focal persons and Provincial Task Force conveners to the National consultation Round Table</p> <p>5.5 The TF Members will influence the Provincial Ministries to facilitate & expedite the Process</p>	<p>5.4. 1 Invitations</p> <p>5.5. 1 The Task Force Report back to the Convener within the time frame</p>		
6. The Task Force Meet	<p>6.1 The info Pack will be sent to the members of the TF</p> <p>6.2 The TF will meet to develop a common understanding on the consultation Process</p> <p>6.3 Presentation on the way forward will be given by Marriyum Aurangzeb</p> <p>6.4 Each member will take up a responsibility of each province to expedite the consultation process and compilation of data on the MDGs' performance and post MDGs' 2015 strategy</p> <p>6.5 Draft of recommended Agenda will be shared for comments</p> <p>6.6 Finalization of Agenda for National Consultation Round table</p>	<p>6.1. 1 Info Pack</p> <p>6.2.1 Minutes of the Meeting</p> <p>6.3.1 Presentation</p> <p>6.4.1 Responsibilities Assigned</p> <p>6.6. 1 Comments compiled & integrated</p> <p>6.7. 1 Final Agenda of National Consultation Round Table</p>	<p>6.1. 1. September 6th, 2013</p> <p>6.2. 1. September 16th, 2013</p>	
7. National Consultation Round Table	<p>7.1 Agenda for the Roundtable will be finalized in consultation with the Honorable Speaker and the TF</p> <p>7.2 List of the Invitees will be finalized in consultation with the Honourable Speaker & TF</p> <p>7.3 Info Pack for the invitees will be compiled</p> <p>7.4 Draft of National Report Compiled</p> <p>7.5 Share the draft report with the national and provincial focal points for comments</p> <p>7.6 Compile the Final Report</p>	<p>7.1. 1 Final Agenda</p> <p>7.2. 1 Final Guest List</p> <p>7.3. 1 Info Pack</p> <p>7.4. Draft Report</p> <p>7.5 Final Comments</p> <p>7.6 Final Report</p>	October 20 th -30 th , 2013	