

Dr Tarun Seem, MBBS, IRS (Indian Revenue Service)

SUMMARY: Physician, career bureaucrat, national health policy-planner and erstwhile director of the flagship National Rural Health Mission, presently on deputation with the Public Health Foundation of India, heading the Health Systems Support Unit. His core areas of work have included policy development, programme planning and implementation, monitoring and evaluation. Special interests: health financing, urban health, stakeholder engagement, e-health, community monitoring, health information systems

APPOINTMENTS

2005-2010: Director / Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India
1992-2005: Indian Revenue Service. (Addl. Commissioner, Joint Commissioner / Deputy Commissioner / Assistant commissioner of Income-tax, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, Government of India)
1990-1992: Medical Officer, Central Himalayan Rural Action Group, District Nainital, UP.

ADVISORY

2008: Temporary Advisor, World Health Organization. "Unlocking the Market for Global eHealth" Rockefeller Foundation, Bellagio Center, Italy.
2007: Temporary Advisor, World Health Organization. Regional meeting on "Revisiting Community Based Health Workers and Community Health Volunteers", Chiang Mai, Thailand
2007: Temporary Advisor, World Health Organization. Asia-Pacific Action Alliance on Human Resources for Health, Beijing
2007: Government of India Representative. "Health Promotion Foundations", Manila
2007: Government of India Representative. Regional Consultation on "Health Systems Strengthening based on PHC Approach", Pyong yang, North Korea
2006: Government of India Representative. Regional Workshop on e-applications of ICT in population and its related fields: e-Learning and e-Health in July 2006, Lanzhou, Gansu, China. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES (selected)

(2005-10) As Director, National Rural Health Mission (NRHM):

- Advisory Group on Community Action for NRHM
- ASHA Mentoring Group for NRHM
- Management information systems of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- eHealth initiatives of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- Website development for NRHM

(2009-2010) National Urban Health Mission task force

POLICIES AUTHORED (selected)

National Rural Health Mission document (co-authored)
National Rural Health Mission Implementation Framework
Common Review Mission of National Rural Health Mission
Guidelines for Indian Public Health Standards
Guidelines for Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA)
Guidelines for Integration of National Programmes under NRHM,
Protocols for Empowered Programme Committee and Mission Steering Group under NRHM
National Urban Health Mission (ongoing)