

# 7TH FOUNDATION DAY OF CHD GROUP DISCUSSES GLOBAL HEALTH AND SUSTAINABILITY

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**FOUNDATION DAY FORUM**  
PRESENTS A GLOBAL HEALTH DIALOGUE  
ON

**Reclaiming Gains For Accelerating Global Health**

**7<sup>th</sup> FOUNDATION DAY**

WEBINAR: 5.30 PM (IST) ON 27<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2021

Live streaming can be viewed on  YouTube

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**Speakers**

- Dr. Edmond Fernandes**  
India  
Founder & CEO  
CHD Group
- Dr. Syed Muntasir Mamun**  
Singapore  
Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bangladesh
- Dr. Fatemeh Rezaei**  
Iran  
Assistant Professor, Isfahan University of Medical Sciences, Iran
- Dr. Sloka Iyengar**  
USA  
Representative, CHD Group, USA
- Dr. Kieran Walsh**  
UK  
Clinical Director, BMJ, UK
- Dr. Yogan Pillay**  
South Africa  
Country Director, Clinion Health Access Initiative, South Africa
- Chiara Marchise**  
Italy  
Quality, Effectiveness and Project Support Expert, CIMA Research Foundation, Italy
- Dr. Ivana Haluskova Balter**  
France  
Advisor, Association of South-east Asian Nations, France
- Dr. Vineet Kaur Ahuja**  
Chennai  
Occupational Health Specialist, Kailashwari, Chennai
- Moderator**
- Dr. Demi Miriam**  
India  
Technical Lead of Public Health, CHD Group, India Country Office

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uojrmH1krSs&t=1761s>

CHD Group, India Country Office celebrated its 7<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day yesterday. The programme was conducted as a global health dialogue live streamed on all CHD Group social media platforms, which was attended by over 3500 participants around the world. The thematic focus of the dialogue was on reclaiming gains to accelerate global health with convergent themes on sustainability, climate change and cascading risks from natural disasters and public health consequences. Dr. Edmond Fernandes, Founder and CEO, CHD Group narrated about CHD's growth story and how it is now poised to nurture a healthy world working with Country Governments, United Nations Agencies and Multi-National Companies in shaping sustainable futures.

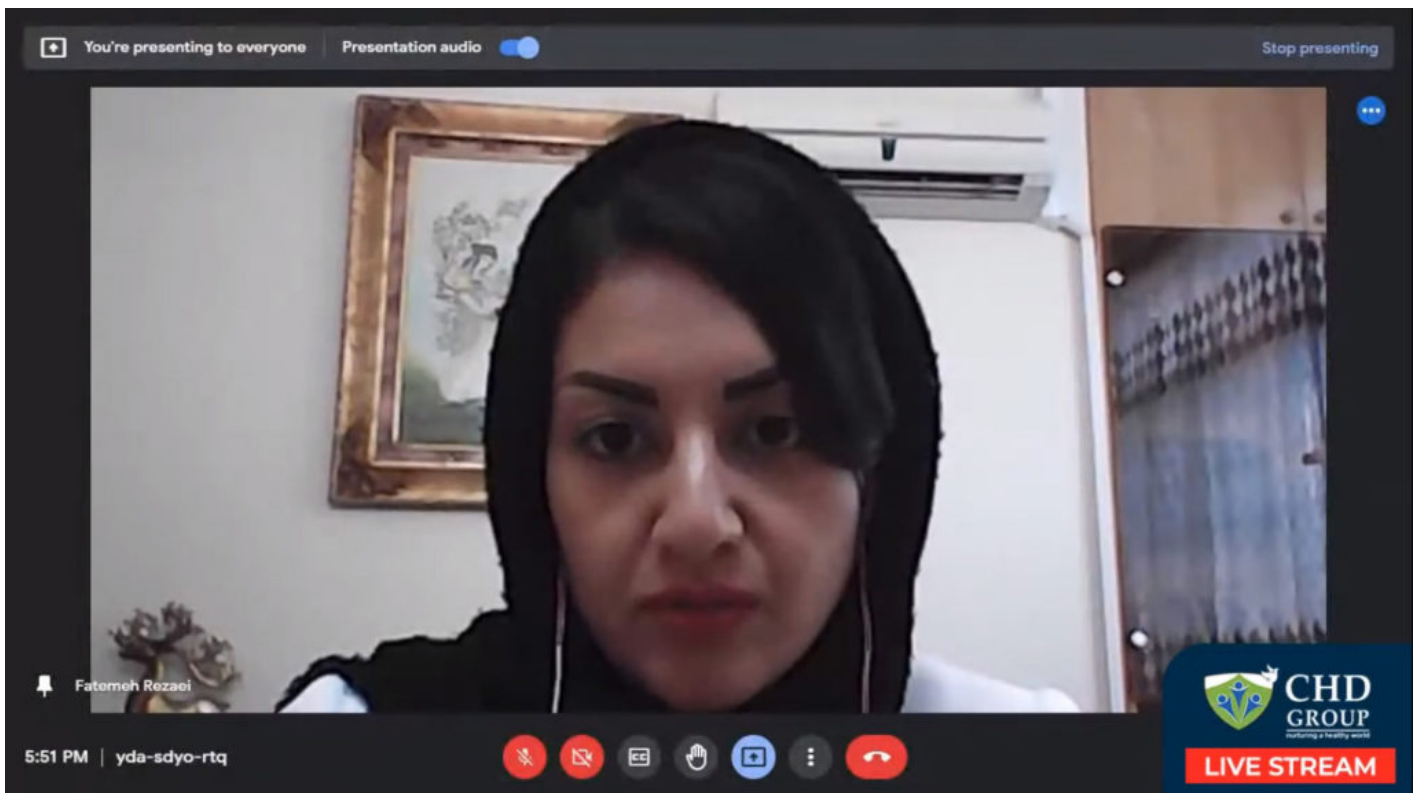


The introductory keynote was given by Dr. Yogan Pillay, Country Director, Clinton Health Access Initiative, South Africa and former Deputy Director General of Health, Government of South Africa. Dr. Pillay said that for global health security, inclusion of global health solidarity was required.

"The 2019-2020-2021 period has reminded us really of our interconnectedness. Pre 2019, Global Health was concerned in terms of multilateral organisations and Global Health security and I think the global pandemic has forced us to rethink Global Health security and include Global Health solidarity".

Dr. Syed Muntasir Mamun, Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bangladesh in his deliberation spoke about how the pandemic has pushed the policy makers to rethink of the entire levels of existence and operations relative to the way global architecture is going to be in the next decade and years from today.

Other esteemed speakers around the world like Chiara Menchise from CIMA, Italy addressed the need for governmental legislation required to combat climate change and how to create a more sustainable post pandemic future.



Dr. Ivana Haluskova Balter from France who is Advisor to the ASEAN region and Dr. Sloka Iyengar,

Representative, CHD Group, New York deliberated on the need for collective progressive leadership and inter sectoral relationships to support public health.

Dr. Fatemeh Rezaei from Iran talked about how Iran was coping with the crises while Dr. Vineeth Kaur Ahuja, Occupational Health Specialist, Unilever, Ghana discussed the importance of sustainability to prepare for future shocks.



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Dr. Demi - CHD Group

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**LIVE STREAM**

Dr. Kieran Wash, Clinical director, The British Medical Journal, London concluded the webinar with his note on making COVID-19 resources accessible for the population and how researchers and policy makers can be more informed and updated regularly with changing global health trends and an evolving pandemic. Dr. Demi Miriam moderated the global health dialogue and delivered the vote of thanks.