



## TACMIL Health Project

### Technical Assistance for Capacity Building in Midwifery Information & Logistics

#### Event Report

#### “Launching Ceremony of Website and Online Registration System”

**Venue:** Pakistan Nursing Council Islamabad

**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009

**Objective:** Launching of the Pakistan Nursing Council (PNC) website and online registration system.

**Outcome:** Formal launch of the PNC website and online registration system.

**Key Speakers:** Ms. Nighat Durrani (Registrar PNC)

Guest Speakers: Ms Janet Paz-Castillo (Chief, Office of Health USAID/Pakistan), Dr. Asim Hussain (President PNC), Dr. Zafarullah Gill (Chief of Party, TACMIL Health Project), Dr. El Nasir Lalani (Dean, Graduate Programs and Research the Aga Khan University)

#### Proceedings:

- Ms. Nighat Durrani welcomed everyone at the Website and Online Registration System Launching Ceremony. She shared history of PNC and its important role in strengthening Nursing profession. She thanked the USAID and TACMIL Health project for their generous assistance in making the dream of having an online registration system become a reality. She informed the participants that customized version of Human Resource Information System (iHRIS Qualify) is being used by linking it with the PNC website to facilitate the online registration process. The iHRIS Qualify is being used in several countries of the world and is the intellectual product of USAID’s Capacity Project.

She showed images from the website and shared the comments of a student of nursing school that the website was very user friendly.

In the end, Ms. Durrani said that now it is the responsibility of Nursing Schools from all over Pakistan to get linked with this site and make it a success.

-Ms. Janet Paz-Castillo appreciated TACMIL Health Project and PNC for their excellent collaborative work and insisted that the good work must continue to achieve long term goals.

-Dr. Asim Hussain discussed that nursing had been a much ignored profession for years but now PNC is striving to get this profession the dignity it deserves. He stated that he was grateful to USAID, TACMIL and Aga Khan University for their support for this cause.

-Dr.Zafarullah Gill gave an overview of TACMIL-PNC partnership over the last two years. He shared happily that every one worked as a team and now finally they were able to share the result of their hard work in form of the website.

-Dr. El Nasir expressed his blithe at the fact that now nurses of Pakistan will have a network of their own which will allow them to share their experiences and challenges from any part of the world. He stated that this website will be able to link public, private, civil society and the regulatory bodies. He appreciated TACMIL for their contribution in the 'transformation' of systems at PNC, he said that this is an excellent example for everyone that a lot can be achieved in short time. In the end he said that HRIS has a lot of potential and it must be utilized optimally.

**Vote of Thanks:** In the end Ms. Nighat Durrani expressed a vote of thank to USAID, TACMIL Health Project and Ms. Rafat Jan for their constant support to PNC.

Images from the Launching Ceremony

