Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month of August, 2017.

**Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP)**

- Zonal Task Force (North Zone) meeting for Medical Colleges involvement in RNTCP was held on 12th - 13th August 2017 at Leh.
- Review meeting for Bedaquiline Conditional Access Programme, implementing sites was held on 24th - 25th July 2017 in Delhi.
- Pre-Drug Safety Monitoring Committee meeting on 17th August 2017 at Mumbai.
- Daily regimen preparedness assessment by CTD was conducted through field visit to Karnataka (9th - 11th August 2017), Andhra Pradesh (21st - 23rd August 2017), Odisha (22nd - 24th August 2017), Telengana (21st - 23rd August 2017) and Uttarakhand (16th - 18th August 2017).
- Instruction given to 19 States for implementation of Universal Drug Susceptibility Testing (UDST) from 1st August 2017.
- Meeting of all Principal Secretary & Mission Directors of NHM was held on 18th August 2017 in Delhi in which RNTCP Programme implementation was reviewed by Secy. (HFW).
- Visit by Dr. Eric Goosby, UN Special envoy for TB - 9th August 2017.