

## **Review Meeting of the Stop TB Pakistan's Strategic Working Group Sindh Chapter**



**Newsletter-7th August 2017-from Stop TB Pakistan Karachi:** A review meeting of the Stop TB Pakistan Strategic Working Group (SWG) Sindh Chapter was held on the 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017 in Karachi. The SWG comprises of Stop TB Pakistan, Civil Society Organization, Electronic & Print Media, Provincial TB Program, Patient Group, corporate & business group, Human Rights organization, Academia and research organizations representatives. The guest of honor was Dr. Tanveer Qureshi Secretary of Human Rights, Government of Sindh and Dr. Muhammad Akhlaq Khan, Director General Health, Government of Sindh. The focus of the meeting was for development of local funds from private sector and an increased share of the Government of Sindh Province for TB Control. Dr. Syed Karam Shah, in his talk, again stressed on the importance and need of domestic funds from both public and private sources. He offered Stop TB Pakistan's technical assistance to the government of Sindh for preparation of the PC-I (Govt., document for financial allocation of public funds). Dr. Muhammad Akhlaq Khan, D.G. Health also took part in the discussion and will supervise a committee comprising representatives of Stop TB Pakistan, NTP Pakistan, PTP Sindh and other concerned departments. The formed committee will meet regularly to review all technical aspects and will meet all technical requirements for allocation of public funds for the next fiscal year. The business group representatives also discussed in detail the prospects of private sector funds.