

All Parties Conference



Polio: A National Emergency

Wednesday, December 19, 2012;
Islamabad, Pakistan

Joint Declaration

Preamble

Recalling resolution WHA (World Health Assembly) 61.1 on poliomyelitis where nations of the world made a commitment to eradicate Poliomyelitis; a disease that was paralyzing 350,000 children every year.

Mindful of the resolutions of the Organization of Islamic Conference calling upon the last three Muslim nations harbouring the Poliovirus to redouble efforts towards a Polio-free Ummah;

Noting that Pakistan is a victim of and in a state of war against terrorism which has so-far hampered polio eradication efforts;

WE the Political Parties of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan AFFIRM our commitment to saving every Pakistani child from disability for life caused by the Polio virus through the following interventions:

1. Make Polio Eradication plan a part of our Manifestos for General Election 2013
2. Will declare Polio transmission a "National Public Health Emergency" making poliovirus eradication a national priority programme, requiring the development and full implementation of emergency action plans, to be updated every six months, until such time as poliovirus transmission has been interrupted;
3. Allocate resources, both financial and human, for full implementation of all current and future Polio Eradication strategies as endorsed by international and national technical bodies and forums for Polio Eradication;
4. Full implementation of current and new Polio Eradication strategies by evolving an institution of strong national oversight and accountability mechanisms for all areas affected by poliovirus;
5. To institute an effective elected Local Government system which is vital for the eradication of Polio;
6. We appreciate the dedication and efforts of Polio Workers Teams working across Pakistan. All Political Parties of Pakistan condemn any attacks or deterrence caused by anyone in the effective discharge of responsibilities of Polio Workers Teams;

Awami National Party (ANP): 

Balochistan National Party - Mengal (BNP-M): 

Jamaat-e-Islami Pakistan (JIP): 

Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam – Fazlur Rehman (JUI-F): 

Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam – Nizriati (JUI-N): 

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Muttahida Quami Movement (MQM): 

National Party (NP): 

Pakistan Muslim League (PML): 

Pakistan Muslim League - Functional (PML-F): 

Pakistan Muslim League - Nawaz (PML-N): 

Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP): 

Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI): 

Qaumi Watan Party (QWP): 