

# 6th National Summit on Good, Replicable Practices and Innovations in Public Health Care Systems

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The Minister for Health and Family Welfare inaugurated the 6th National Summit on Good, Replicable Practices and Innovations in Public Health Care Systems. The Summit saw the **launch of the SAANS campaign i.e. “Social Awareness and Action to Neutralise Pneumonia Successfully” to control Pneumonia.**

## **SAANS campaign**

- This campaign will mobilize people's for protecting and preventing children from pneumonia; and health personnel, governments & other stakeholders to prioritize treatment towards the control of Pneumonia – one of the most fatal childhood illnesses.
- Under the SAANS campaign, new interventions have been included like a child suffering from Pneumonia will be treated with pre-referral dose of Amoxicillin by ASHA; Pulse Oximeter will be used at the Health and Wellness Centre for identification of low oxygen levels in the blood and if required treated by use of Oxygen.
- The initiative also aims to create mass awareness about the most effective solutions for pneumonia prevention like breastfeeding, age-appropriate complementary feeding, immunization, good quality air, etc.

**The web portal for home-based care of children including newborn visited by ASHA was also launched at the Summit.**

## **The web portal for home-based care of children including newborn visited by ASHA**

- This portal has all the resource materials (training materials, IEC videos, audios, banners, posters, etc.) for the home visits of ASHAs.
- The portal will also be used to monitor the progress of programs regarding home visits by ASHAs and referral of sick newborns, an intervention considered globally as game-changer to improve child survival and also improve nutritional status and overall development of children.