TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN

This letter is in appreciation of the entire team of The Antara Foundation for their valuable support to the district administration to improve the status of maternal, new born, and child health, and nutrition (MNCHN) in Chhindwara. The team, in collaboration with the two departments of Health and Family Welfare, and Women and Child Development (WCD), has been playing an integral role since the beginning of their Akshita Program in September 2019.

The Foundation’s unique approach to designing and executing simple, scalable, and sustainable interventions to strengthen MNCHN services is truly outstanding. I also appreciate their strong field presence and insights, and the constant support they provide to various government cadres across the district. Their focus on working with the frontline workers of both departments through the AAA platform has helped improve teamwork and joint planning between them.

Working collaboratively, we have been able to establish different tools, mechanisms, and review processes to improve data quality and enable data-driven decision-making at multiple levels – district, block, and sector. Additionally, we have piloted and implemented multiple efforts such as the joint report for frontline health workers, joint sector meetings of Health and WCD, and greater involvement of block administration towards facility strengthening across the district.

This letter of appreciation is a testimony to their continuous effort toward strengthening the health system for better coverage and quality of services for communities.

I wish The Antara Foundation the very best.

CHHINDWARA
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