A delegation from the Stop TB Pakistan National Partnership led by Dr. Syed Sharaf Ali Shah (Vice Chairman) visited the Church of Pakistan last month and met with Honorable Bishop Sadiq Daniel. The purpose of the meeting was to explore how Stop TB Pakistan can engage with minorities and motivate them to participate in the fight against TB. As evidenced through research data, minority constituencies and poor sections of society are more vulnerable to diseases like TB. Dr. Syed Sharaf Ali Shah briefed the Bishop about Stop TB Pakistan, its vision and mission. He pointed out that the Church of Pakistan has the privilege of operating missionary schools and colleges all across the country and it would be a great advantage to both organizations collaborate, allowing them to cover vulnerable sections of society and to disseminate valuable information on TB among the communities. Dr. Shah invited the Church of Pakistan to join Stop TB Pakistan as partners of the forum, and the honorable Bishop accepted.

Bishop Daniel stated that, as the Church of Pakistan is always committed to the poor Christian minority of Pakistan, he and his community would provide every material and moral support to the national cause. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Church of Pakistan and Stop TB Pakistan. The Bishop assured full support to fundraising campaigns in schools and colleges all over Pakistan as well as at Missionary Schools and Colleges operating under the Church of Pakistan.

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