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FOREWORD

Asthma has become one of the most common chronic disease among children in India today. It causes school absenteeism, affects the student's academic performance and prevents children from participating in important school activities and social interactions from a young age. As such, all parents, guardians, medical care providers and school staff who are in contact with students showing symptoms of asthma/diagnosed with asthma have an important role to play as part of an effective asthma management initiative.

The “**Asthma Manual for Schools**” is a well-prepared manual to help all stakeholders in the school eco-system to understand the basics of asthma and offer reasonable and implementable solutions towards creating an environment where Asthma is effectively managed and children with asthma can be healthy, happy and lead an active school life.

I would like to congratulate Lung Care Foundation for compiling this detailed yet simple manual.

From my personal experience from the Pulse Polio Campaign, I'm sure with the combined efforts of the Teachers, School administration, Parents and Children, we will be able to create an **Asthma supportive environment in schools** and ensure the safety of every child in our country.

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