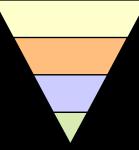


PRESENTATION ON AUDITING IN THE NEW NORMAL SAI PAKISTAN EXPERIENCE

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Challenges posed by New Normal

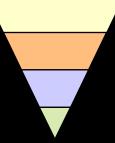


- Conducting "field work" from a home/office proved a challenge yet a Novel Concept in Auditing.
- > Difficult to collect sufficient /appropriate audit evidence
- > Mobility Restriction / limited interaction
- > Non availability of staff at auditee's formations
- > First-hand observations cannot be replaced

SAI Pakistan's New Normal Work Approach

- Letters written to respective Head of Organizations to obtain Risk profile of New Normal related expenditure
- Commission special workshops for Audit in the New Normal
- **Effective Desk Audit to reduce field work**
- **Extended use of ACL to access data for audit**
- > Requisition of required record through email before the start of field audit activity
- > Scale down the audit coverage FOCUSED AUDIT
- > Ensure social distancing and Rotation Policy for staff
- > Focus on systemic issues, trend analysis & policy reviews

SAI Pakistan's New Normal Work Approach



- Virtual Supervisory visits
- Quarterly Review to manage financial resource and person days allocation
- Preference to video link meetings
- > Minimum possible physical interaction with auditee
- > Strict adherence to advisory of Ministry of Health

Current Audit Plan Targets (2020-2021)

(Audit Plan of one specialized audit office of SAI Pakistan)				
S. No.	Type of Audit	Audits Executed 2019-20	Audits Planned 2020-21	New Normal 2020-21 In Case of COVID -19

Financial Attest Audits

Foreign Aided Project

Performance Audit

Total

Special Audits

PSDP Audit

Compliance with Authority

(FAP) Audits

Audit

Role of INTOSAI

Preparing members for "permanent changes"

- > INTOSAI / IDI to assist SAIs to prepare organic strategies
- ➤ Combining Experiences and development of ISSAI standards for disaster response and policy evaluation
- > Bringing in element of standardization in reporting

