

## **Moving of Declaration for Adoption**

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Chief Minister, distinguished colleagues and friends, I stand before you to read the Calcutta Declaration on Public Health and seek your endorsement. The declaration as Dr Uton said is a product of two days of intensive discussions by all of us here representing India and the countries of South East Asia region. It is a kind of a distillate, a distillate of the dominant thinking of those who have assembled here on existing and oncoming problems in Public Health in a rapidly changing world. It is a vision, it is a mission. And now I will proceed to read the Calcutta Declaration.