Myanmar Ministry of Health and Sports: 

*Public Private Dialogue to respond to COVID-19*
Background pre-COVID

GFF collaboration activities include:

- MAMS public-private partnership symposium (August 2019)
- MAMS facilitated public-private meetings (2019)
- On going private health sector assessment including collecting data on private sector and conducting key informant interviews with public and private stakeholders

Then COVID hits!!

- Public and private stakeholders transitioned to joint action planning – 3 week “sprint” – respond to the pandemic
3-week “sprint” created opportunity for first-ever public private dialogue

“Sprint” to develop public-private COVID-19 action plan

- Limited engagement with private sector before COVID
- 3 week sprint created structure for dialogue
- Very intensive process....
  - Meeting more than three planned times
  - Participants staying much longer
  - Lots of interaction in between meetings
Areas of collaboration (correspond to Myanmar National Plan Pillars)

Pillars in Myanmar National Plan

Case Management
- Provide guidelines to prepare private sector to treat COVID19 cases if surge hits
- Establish arrangements to deliver essential and emergency services to all patients
- Create mechanism for greater coordination post COVID

Laboratory Testing
- Integrate and coordinate public and private sector testing capacity
- Ensure optimal quality control of tests performed in public and private facilities
- Ramp up testing capacity in private facilities

Logistics & Supplies
- Establish mechanism to coordinate all COVID related supplies
- Pool public and private supplies
- Procure centrally select number of COVID essential supplies