

## 20<sup>th</sup> founding anniversary celebration...1994-2014

It is evident that eight member countries (Bangladesh, Egypt, Gambia, Ghana, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Uganda, Nigeria and Tunisia) celebrated 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at national level; however so far available reports are reflected below.

### Bangladesh

Bangladesh celebrated 20th Anniversary of Partners in Population and Development (PPD) in 3rd of November 2014 through a Public Lecture. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare of the Government Republic of Bangladesh arranged this Public Lecture with the theme of 'Population Diplomacy: Is There Any Room for it?'



Department of Population Sciences of the University of Dhaka provided technical support for the event. PPD Secretariat coordinated the program. H.E. Mr. Zahid Maleque, MP Honorable State Minister of Health and Family Welfare Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh was the chief guest of the celebration. The Key Note paper was presented by Dr. Joe Thomas, Executive Director, PPD.

### Egypt

Cairo Demographic Center, CDC Celebrated PPD/ South-South Cooperation year 20 during this occasion by giving a presentation about "The Important Role of PPD/ South South Program in Gathering & Enhancing the South Countries to Integrate them Together to Improve and Sustain Population Development". The Ministers of Health & Population, Planning, International Collaboration, Financial, Environment, Telecommunication & Solidarity, Representatives of Different Countries, Ambassadors, UNFPA Regional and National Directors, Representatives of UNDP, USAID,

Ford Foundation, WHO, Deans and Professors of Universities, African Union & Others were present in the occasion. . It was a very fantastic interaction with the attendees, as they were very anxious to ask about the PPD activities.

### Nigeria

Nigeria celebrated 20 years of PPD by conducting a day long high level policy dialogue in 23rd October, 2014 at Abuja . The dialogue was organized by National Planning Commission of Nigeria in collaboration with United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The Theme of the event was "Harnessing Demographic Dividends for the Achievement of the Transformation Agenda Goals". The overall aim of the celebration event was to bring contemporary issues on Demography and Reproductive Health to public discourse and proffer recommendations that will move the nation forward.

### South Africa

South Africa organized 9th annual Population Association of Southern Africa (PASA) conference in commemoration of 20th Anniversary of PPD. This conference was held at the Walter Sisulu University's East London Campus, in the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa on 1-2 October 2014. The theme of the conference was 'Demographic Dividend and Population Dynamics in Changing African Society'. The key note speaker of the was Mr Pali Lehohla, Statistician General of South Africa. Dr. Joe Thomas, ED, PPD was the Guest Speaker of the conference.

### Tunisia

Treasurer and the Board member of PPD, Dr. Ridha Gataa , President, Director-General National Board for Family and Population of Tunisia and Partners Country Coordinator (PCC) of PPD in Tunisia Mr. Ben Haj Aissa Adnene, Director, Technical Cooperation National Office of Family and Population (ONFP) of Tunisia talked about the 20th anniversary of PPD in every meetings they attended in Tunisia or abroad. They also organized their main in December 2013 where they shared Tunisian experience in south-south cooperation within the framework of PPD.

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## New Commitment on South-South Cooperation for Global action to improve the health of women and children among developing countries



- South-South collaboration is the foundation of a global and inclusive partnership for action: Mr. Ban Ki-moon
- Our commitment to the health and well-being of women and children, through South-South collaboration, will have unprecedented global impact: Dr. Joe Thomas

In a high global leader's dinner meeting at the United Nations Headquarters in New York hosted by PPD on 24th February 2014; Mr. Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General, Mr. Babatunde Osotimehin, ED of UNFPA, Ms. Margaret Chan, Director-General of WHO, Mr. Raymond Chambers, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Financing the Health-Related MDGs and for Malaria and Mr. Yiping Zhou, Director of UN Office for South-South Cooperation as well as Permanent Representatives from more 26 Member States was present. In that High Level Global Leader's meeting PPD announced new commitment on South-South Cooperation for Global action to improve the health of women and children among developing countries. For detail <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2014/dev3071.doc.htm>

## ED, PPD welcomes the new Chair of PPD

In a briefing meeting, Dr. Joe Thomas, Executive Director of PPD met the new Chair of PPD H.E. Mr. Jagat Prakash Nadda, Honourable Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare, Government of India in New Delhi. In that meeting Dr. Thomas welcomed H.E. Mr. Jagat Prakash Nadda as a new Chair of PPD. He also briefed the new Chair on 11th Inter-Ministerial Conference that would be titled on 'Investing for Demographic Dividend' jointly hosted by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare of the Government of India and PPD on 25th and 26th November 2014 in New Delhi.



ED, PPD welcomes the new Chair of PPD on 18th November 2014 in New Delhi



H.E. Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda

## New Chair of PPD Board

H.E. Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, Union Minister Health & Family Welfare is a political worker. J P Nadda served as Member of Himachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly thrice. He was Forest and environment

minister and also was Law minister of the state. Some spectacular development and process oriented schemes have been initiated under his leadership. As a true visionary he has fought tooth and nail for sanctioning of budget and funding of important projects in Himachal Pradesh. He has seen through many welfare schemes and worked towards bringing the latest technologies and parity with the first world



ways and means in different projects. As forest minister he emphasized on adoption of clean technology and brought pub prvt partnership to for green clean production. The community led advocacy and action program (CLAP) was introduced to monitor environment friendly tech for rural development State under his leadership has blanket banned the use of

polythene. He along with other sr. leaders visited Costa Rica to learn about carbon neutrality. Under his leadership Himachal became the first state in country to demand carbon credits in lieu of greenhouse gases being absorbed by the state's green cover He is a B.A. LL.B. He studied at St. Xavier's School, Patna College, Patna University and Himachal University, Shimla.

## PPD in UN

PPD's official statement was tabled in Twenty-ninth special session of General Assembly on the follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development. Dr. Joe Thomas, ED, PPD was present in the session to represent PPD.

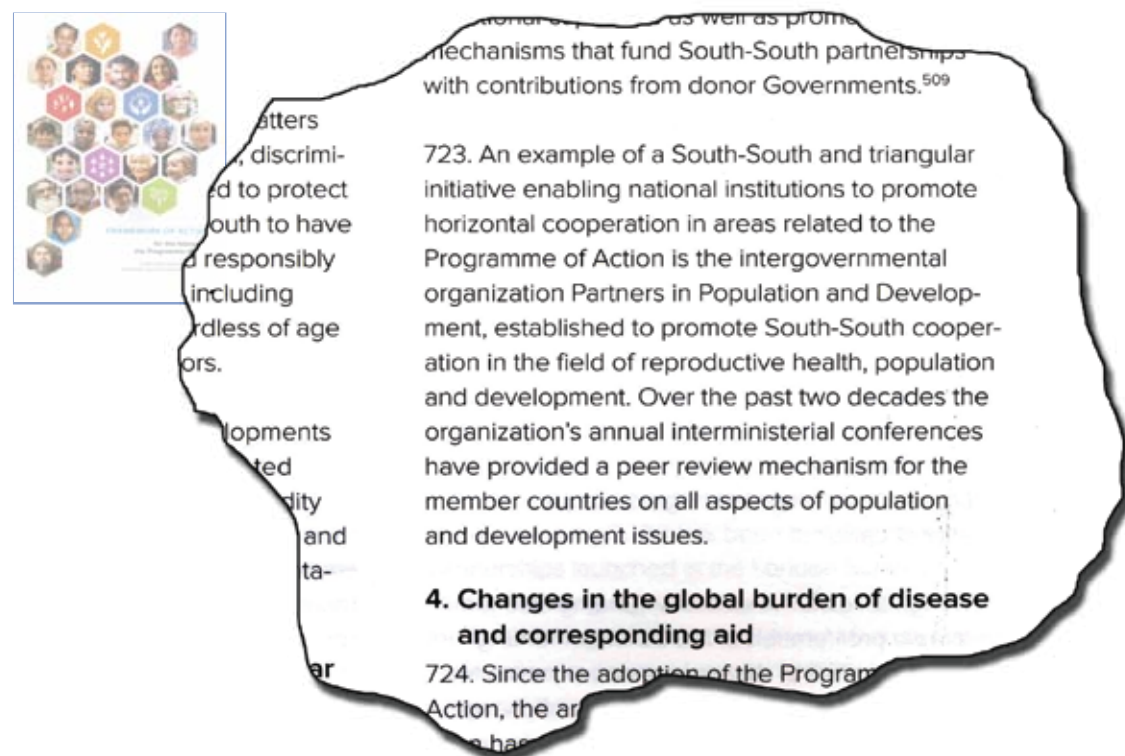


## UN Secretary General Acknowledges PPD's Contribution towards Promoting South-South Cooperation

UN Secretary General's report outlining the Framework of actions for the follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014, acknowledged the contribution of PPD in promoting South-South and triangular initiative enabling national institutions to promote horizontal cooperation in areas related to the ICPD.

"An example of a South-South and triangular initiative enabling national institutions to promote horizontal cooperation in areas related to the Programme of Action is the intergovernmental

organization Partners in Population and Development, established to promote South-South cooperation in the field of reproductive health, population and development. Over the past two decades the organization's annual inter-ministerial conferences have provided a peer review mechanism for the member countries on all aspects of population and development issues". PP.193(Framework of Actions for the follow-up to the Programme of Action of the ICPD Beyond 2014(English) -updated 19 September 2014 @ <http://icpdbeyond2014.org/about/view/29-global-reviewreport#sthash.HIPOyoAf.dpuf>)



## PPD in UN Blue book



## PPD at BRICS



Dr. Joe Thomas, Executive Director of PPD participated in the BRICS Inaugural Seminar of Officials and Experts on Population Matters noted the scope off South-South Cooperation and Triangular cooperation as an appropriate paradigm for the framework for cooperation on population matters among BRICS member states. As a discussant of the BRICS inaugural meeting, Dr. Thomas said that 'PPD would like to contribute to the ongoing dialogue on population policies and program challenges of BRICS countries and called to utilize the unprecedented global opportunity of south-south cooperation for population and development.

## PPD opened new Office in Geneva

United Nations Secretary General has granted Partners in Population and Development (PPD) the gracious permission to establish a Permanent Observer Delegation to the United Nations Office in

Geneva, Switzerland. PPD appointed Dr Denis Broun as its Ambassador, Permanent Observer to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva.

## Strategic Planning for 2015-2019



PPD organized a Strategic Planning Workshop from 14-16 September 2014 in Dhaka, Bangladesh. The overall aim of the workshop was to develop working consensus on the key elements of PPD's next strategic plan, 2015-2020, including overall aims, priorities and key results, budget and organizational changes required to enable the plan's successful implementation.

Mr. Zahid Maleque, Hon'ble State Minister, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare of People's Republic of



Bangladesh inaugurated the workshop. Mr. Partners Country Coordinators (PCCs) from Bangladesh, China, Tunisia and Uganda, representatives from UNFPA and PMNCH, representatives from academics and Partner Institutions and also the PPD observers from Thailand, Geneva and New York was attended in the workshop. PPD consultant Mr. Mark Starling facilitated the workshop and ED, PPD provided the technical support accordingly.



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### Magnitude of major infectious diseases in member countries

\* Data not found for Jordan

\*\*Data Source: CIA World Factbook and WHO

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Proportion of under-25 population in PPD member countries

The chart displays the proportion of the under-25 population in PPD member countries, categorized by age group (0-14 and 15-24) and region (Asia Pacific, Sub-Sah Africa, MENA, LA & Caribb). The Y-axis represents the percentage (0.0% to 80.0%). The X-axis lists countries grouped by region. The legend indicates that the blue portion represents the 0-14 age group and the red portion represents the 15-24 age group.

Country	Region	0-14 (%)	15-24 (%)
Bangladesh	Asia Pacific	30.0	18.0
Cuba	Asia Pacific	20.0	10.0
India	Asia Pacific	25.0	15.0
Sri Lanka	Asia Pacific	25.0	10.0
Indonesia	Asia Pacific	25.0	10.0
Pakistan	Asia Pacific	30.0	15.0
Thailand	Asia Pacific	20.0	10.0
Vietnam	Asia Pacific	25.0	15.0
Benin	Sub-Sah Africa	45.0	15.0
Ethiopia	Sub-Sah Africa	45.0	15.0
Gambia	Sub-Sah Africa	40.0	10.0
Ghana	Sub-Sah Africa	40.0	10.0
Kenya	Sub-Sah Africa	45.0	15.0
Mali	Sub-Sah Africa	45.0	15.0
Nigeria	Sub-Sah Africa	45.0	15.0
Senegal	Sub-Sah Africa	45.0	15.0
South Africa	Sub-Sah Africa	30.0	10.0
Uganda	Sub-Sah Africa	45.0	15.0
Zimbabwe	Sub-Sah Africa	45.0	15.0
Egypt	MENA	30.0	10.0
Jordan	MENA	30.0	10.0
Morocco	MENA	30.0	10.0
Tunisia	MENA	30.0	10.0
Yemen	LA & Caribb	30.0	10.0
Colombia	LA & Caribb	30.0	10.0
Mexico	LA & Caribb	30.0	10.0



- PPD will facilitate continuously the Policy Dialogue, Advocacy and Discussions through effective use of evidence based population research and SRHS service analysis in a South to South collaboration framework .



## PPD celebrate International day for older person

PPD in technical partnership with World WHO has established the Global Commission on Ageing in Developing Countries. Her Excellency MsBongi Maria Ntuli, Deputy Minister of the Department of Social Development, Ministry of Social Development, South Africa, launched the Commission on 24 October 2013 in Beijing, China.

60+ population in PPD member countries: region wise reflection

- Asia-Pacific: By 2050, all of the 8 member countries would have a much higher proportion of 60+ population ranging highest 30% in China to lowest

12.4% in Pakistan.

- Sub-Sahar Africa: By 2050, African member countries would have a higher proportion of 60+ population highest 13.7% in South Africa to lowest 5.7% in Uganda.
- MENA: By 2050, except Yemen (8.9%), other 4 countries would have substantially higher proportions of older persons with the highest 24.6% in Tunisia.
- Latin America & Caribbean: By 2050, 2 member countries Colombia and Mexico would have 21.5% and 24.4% of aged population respectively.

## South-South Scholarship



PPD Scholarships Program for the professionals working in the field of RH, Population and Development from PPD Member countries received remarkable attention and demands from Member Countries. During 2014, PPD received 30 scholarships in total; 10 from Egypt, 10 from South Africa, 10 from India. These 30 scholarships were for one-year post graduation diploma in the population and demographic field. In addition 20 more scholarships were offered by South Africa for short courses. The one year diploma providing institutions are Cairo Demographic Center (CDC), Cairo, Egypt, North-West university of South Africa and National Institute of Health and Family Welfare (NIHFW), India. The short course are offering under the Leadership Training in Sustainable Development: program for Population, Environment and Development Nexus, South Africa.

## PPD Secretariat moving to its own premises



PPD secretariat is in the process of constructing a 6-storied building on the land donated by the Government of Bangladesh in Dhaka. Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh donated a piece of 64 decimal (About 2,590 square meters, with a market value of approximately US\$ 8 million) of land at 'Sher-E-Bangla Nagar', Dhaka, the classified administrative master plan area of Dhaka City, for

construction of the PPD Secretariat Building Complex.

Mr. ZahidMaleque, Hon'ble State Minister, MoHFW of Bangladesh visited PPD in 16th September 2014. The land was donated by Bangladesh Government to build permanent secretariat for PPD. Mr. Md. FazlulHoque (PCC of Bangladesh), Mr. Hu Hongtao (PCC of China), Mr. Ben Haj AissaAdnene (PCC of Tunisia) and Dr. Joe Thomas, Executive Director of PPD was accompanied with Honourable State Minister.

Construction work is in progress with the financial support of the Government of China, India, South Africa and Bangladesh.



## PPD Publication 2014



Monthly newsletter, Conference report, Commission report, Position papers these are the significant publications that PPD produce every year. This year PPD published a position paper titled 'Consolidating the Gains, Closing the Gaps', a report

on 'Global Commission on Ageing in developing countries', a conference report of the 10th inter-ministerial conference held in Beijing in 2013, a special booklet with historical photograph and monthlynewsletter.

## PPD Hosting ICAAP 12



12th ICAAP has been awarded to Bangladeshi organizations with Partners in Population and Development (PPD) as the local host to be responsible for holding the 12th ICAAP in the year 2015 in Dhaka. This is an immense opportunity for PPD to explore the relationship between HIV and population dynamics, to explore the possibility of convergence of STI/SRHR and HIV. The MoU for ICAAP 12 has been signed in 25th October 2014; the Chair of LOC of ICAAP 12, Mr. M. M. Neazuddin, Secretary of Minister MoHFW, ICAAP



Secretary General Dr Joe Thomas, ED, PPD and Ms. Sukantho of ASAP signed the MOU in Bangkok.



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