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Newsletter : PPD's advocacy update

PPD at Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly:

PPD attend in the Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly (WHA) held in Geneva from 19 to 24 May, 2014 to contribute in the ongoing debate, dialogue and discussion on health, specially in sexual reproductive health . PPD's presence in the assembly was significant this year because PPD represented its delegation in the full capacity of an Inter-governmental Organization for the first time after establishment of PPD permanent delegation in Geneva with full diplomatic privileges and immunities accorded by the Government of Switzerland. PPD leadership also met with Swiss SIDA, WHO Director-General, UNAIDS Executive Director, a few leading diplomatic missions and multilateral development organizations based in Geneva. Dr. Joe Thomas, Executive Director of PPD lead the delegation.

Dr. Joe with H.E. Dr Wang Guoqiang, Honourable Vice Minister National Health and Family Planning Commission of China (NHFPCC)

Dr Joe Thomas, ED of PPD met with H.E. Dr Wang Guoqiang, Honourable Vice Minister of NHFPCC and Commissioner of SATCM and MCH. H.E. Dr. Li Bin Honourable Minister of NPFPCC, Government of the People's Republic of China is the Vice-Chair, PPD Board. The meeting was held on 22 May 2014 in Geneva, Switzerland on the side-line of the 67th World Health Assembly. During the meeting H.E. Dr Wang Guoqiang reiterated the commitment of the Government of China to PPD, and will continue to support PPD.



PPD's representation in Bi-Annual Meeting of Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition

PPD offered technical interventions at the SSWG Bi-Annual Meeting of the Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition (RHSC) held in Washington DC during 6-7 May, 2014. The Executive Director of PPD , Dr. Joe Thomas attended in the meeting to discuss about the technical issues in regards of proposal submission to the Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition (RHSC). He also discussed with the senior official of MSH about the potential of the joint proposal submission.

PPD's at APHRC Working Group Meeting at Addis Ababa :

PPD represented in the 2nd Meeting of the APHRC Working Group on Aging and Demographic Dividend in Africa" held in Addis Ababa from 27-29 May, 2014. Executive Director of PPD Dr. Joe Thomas made statement at APHRC meeting and also joined in bilateral meeting for the collaboration on issues of common interest. And PPD and APHRC.

Principal Technical Adviser of MSH visited PPD Secretariat:

Ms. Beth Yeager, Principal Technical Advisor, MCH Systems for Improved Access to Pharmaceuticals and Services of Management Sciences for Health (MSH) visited PPD Secretariat on 16 May 2014. In an in-house discussion, ED and Senior staffs of PPD shared the potential of PPD. The leadership of PPD showed keen interest to work with MSH in the common interest and mandate for commodity supply management in the PPD member countries.

PPD's Programmatic meeting with key stakeholder's in India:

PPD's arranged programmatic meetings with senior officials of the Ministry of Health of the Government of India, with the senior leadership of National Institute of Health and Family Welfare of the Government of India and Population Council India from 3-6 April 2014. Program Manager Dr. Nazrul Islam represented PPD in the meeting. PPD also arranged a friendly discussion meeting with the PPD scholars from member countries studying at National Institute of Health and family welfare in New Delhi.



PPD with 58% of the world population



National stakeholder meeting of Step-up project

PPD arranged a national stakeholder meeting for disseminating the country profile report on Understanding Unintended Pregnancies in Bangladesh under STEP-UP project. The meeting was chaired by His Excellency Mr. Zahid Maleque, Hon'ble State Minister of MOHFW .Ms. Argentina Piccin, Country Representative of UNFPA Bangladesh, Dr. Ubaidur Rob, Country Representative, Population Council Bangladesh ,Mr. M. M. Neazuddin, Secretary, MOHFW and other high officials of the Government and agencies and NGOs were present in the meeting.

Dr. Joe Thomas, ED of PPD expressed PPD's expectation ; PPD wants to facilitate Policy dialogue in the issue of unintended pregnancies to bring the researcher and policy maker in common consensus so that they could come up with policy recommendations, specially at the time of Post ICPD and beyond MDG perspective .

As the immediate response to PPD's advocacy, a small committee was formulated who will act as a working to find out the possibilities how the shared recommendations could be translated into policy and recommend it to the Government.

About PPD: PPD is an intergovernmental alliance comprising 26 developing countries. It holds the philosophy of South-South cooperation. It provides mechanism for promoting partnership and cooperation among member countries with a view to achieving the goals of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD), its Programme of Action and the Millennium Development Goals. It holds permanent observer status in the General Assembly. For more information, visit: www.partners-popdev.org.

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