



Partners in Population and Development
An Inter-governmental organization promoting South-South Partnership

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Honorable Secretary of MoHFW, Government of Bangladesh visited new premises of PPD HQ

Md. Sirazul Islam, Honorable Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and Mr. Kazi AKM Mohiul Islam, PCC and Additional Secretary (FW & Prog.) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh visited PPD Secretariat on 20th of June, 2017. That was the first visit of high level government official after PPD has moved in new premise.



PPD and University Research Co. : looking for new collaboration

University Research Co., LLC team recently visited PPD HQ, Dhaka, Bangladesh. PPD executive director briefed the team about PPDs intervention and advocacy initiatives. URC team showed interest to work with PPD team in the upcoming IMC and on three priority areas of sustainable city, human mobility and international migration. A collaborative Meeting between PPD-URC was held on 6 June 2017 in Dutch Club, Dhaka, Bangladesh



PPD Secretariat – New premise



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PPD's 14th International Inter-Ministerial Conference

Partners in Population and Development (PPD) is organizing the **14th International Inter-Ministerial Conference on Population and Development** “Sustainable cities, human mobility and international migration: A South-South Perspective and intervention needs” from 28 to 29 November 2017 in Yogyakarta, Indonesia. To register please click the following link or email us at – imc2017@ppdsec.org



For detail please visit <http://www.partners-popdev.org/upcoming-event/14th-international-inter-ministerial-conference-on-population-and-development-28-29-november-2017-yogyakarta-indonesia-click-here-to-register/>

Bangladesh Youth Consultation on SDGs: Dhaka Youth Call to Action on Health for All and Gender Equality Adopted

Dr. Thomas stressed that Bangladesh is a frontline country in adoption of SDGs, and had also been successful in achieving maternal health, child health targets during millennium development goals era. The 2030 goals can be achieved by connecting youth voices and engaging them with the Bangladesh government's priorities around SDGs 3 and 5.



With about 100 Bangladeshi young advocates from across the country joined in a Consultation on April 12, 2017; the day long program focused on United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 3 (Health for All), and 5 (Gender Equality) and discussed how young people's struggle to access sexual and reproductive health and rights, and gender equality at all levels. The High level panel was chaired by Dr. Dipu Moni MP, Chairperson of Parliamentary Standing Committee of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bangladesh Parliament. Dr. Joe Thomas, Executive Director of Partners in Population and Development (PPD) reviewed the drafted recommendations.

http://serac-bd.org/bycsdgs_calltoaction2017/

PPD Journal: Journal for Population, Development and Health (IJPDH)

Journal for Population, Development and Health (IJPDH), the recently launched International Journal of PPD invites submissions for possible publication. Each issue will contain original research articles, reports, case studies, and policy dialogues. In addition, the journal will also publish supplements of its own or on request from others.

IJPDH is a peer-reviewed international online journal publishing findings from high quality research and learning from policy and programs of the global south. The focus areas are Population, Development and Health issues including Reproductive Health and Rights, HIV/AIDS, Poverty Alleviation and Women's Empowerment, and other topics relevant to ICPD goals and SDGs.

Submissions should be made online at: www.IJPDH.org

In case of difficulties in submission, please contact: ppdjournal@ppdsec.org

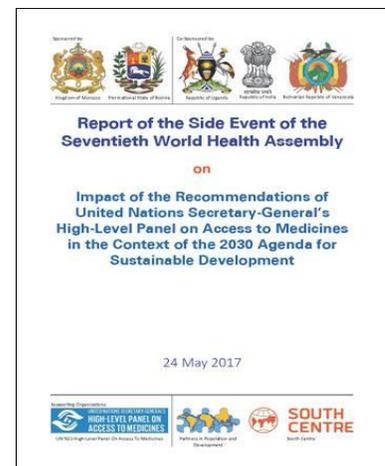
PPD's South to South Scholarship Program

Capacity development is one of the priority areas of PPD. PPD has been involved in Capacity Building at the individual, institutional and system levels since 1998 to promote SSC in the field of RH, Population and Development. PPD's scholarship program provides an excellent opportunity for young professionals to acquire new skills, accommodate new challenges, and acquire strategy for translating global commitments into national needs. PPD initiated its scholarship program in 1998. Since its inception, PPD has managed more than 1500 scholarships in the field of RH, Population and Development across the member countries. For more information regarding PPD's South to South Scholarship Program, visit: <http://www.partners-popdev.org/ppd-scholarship-program/>

A REPORT ON: Seventieth World Health Assembly (WHA) side event

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This current report focuses on the Seventieth World Health Assembly (WHA) side event titled 'Impact of the recommendations of the United Nations Secretary-General High-Level Panel on Access to Medicines in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development'. Held on 24 May 2017 at Geneva, Switzerland, this side event was facilitated by Partners in Population and Development (PPD). Several World Health Organization Member States sponsored this side event since the issue of access to medicines and the implementation of the UN High-Level Panel recommendations are of great relevance.



The Recommendations, interactive discussions and finally the Adoption of a Joint Declaration had a high profile panel comprising the co-Chair of the UNHLP, Ministers of Health from Morocco, India, Bolivia, Uganda, and Venezuela, Director-UNDP, Geneva, Special Adviser for Health, South Centre, and the Executive Director, PPD. The Report is a detailed account of the side event is available in the attached link

<http://www.partners-popdev.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/Report-SideEvent-70thWHA-24May2017.pdf>

About PPD: *Partners in Population and Development is an intergovernmental alliance comprising 26 developing countries. It provides a 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), and its Program of Action and the Sustainable Development Goals. It holds permanent observer status in the General Assembly. The current Member Countries of the Alliance are Bangladesh, Benin, China, Colombia, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Pakistan, Senegal, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tunisia, Uganda, Viet Nam, Yemen and Zimbabwe – comprising 59% of the world population.*

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