



Partners in Population and Development (PPD)

**An Inter-Governmental Organization
Promoting South-South Cooperation**

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Call for Application

Chief Editorial position of the International Journal for South-South Cooperation in Population and Development

Terms of Reference

PPD is an Inter-Governmental Organization (IGO) comprising 27 developing countries from Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Middle East. These member countries collectively represent nearly 60% of the world's population. PPD was founded at the International Conference on Population and Development {ICPD} in Cairo, Egypt, in September 1994, with a mandate to consolidate, institutionalize, strengthen and promote South-South Cooperation (SSC) in the field of Reproductive Health, Population and Development. PPD has its Permanent Secretariat based in Dhaka, Bangladesh, having a Diplomatic Status in Bangladesh. PPD is governed by a Board comprising of Ministers designated by the member states. It has an Executive Committee elected by the Board, and national level activities coordinated by Partner Country Coordinators (PCCs) who are senior government officials of the member states appointed by the Respective Board Members. A representative of the UNFPA is ex-officio with the Board. The Government of the Peoples Republic of Bangladesh is the Permanent Member in the PPD Executive Committee.

VISION

“An Intergovernmental Alliance leading the promotion of South-South Cooperation towards the attainment of the global population and reproductive health agenda for sustainable development”.

MISSION

“To achieve its vision through sustained advocacy, capacity building, networking, knowledge management, sharing, exchange and transfer of successful experiences, technologies and best practices in the above field of its works within the framework of South-South Cooperation.”

Each Member Country of PPD is expected to strengthen individual and institutional capacities, develop systems to promote South-South exchange and will strive to expand South-South initiatives and consultative programs. Currently, PPD is looking for a professional as Chief Editor of the International Journal for South-South Cooperation in Population and Development.

About the journal

Page | 2 International Journal for South South Cooperation in Population and Development is a peer-reviewed international online journal publishing findings from high quality research and learning from policy and programmes of the global south. The focus of the journal is to promote South-South Cooperation and Perspectives on Population and Development. This journal is expected to provide an important scientific platform to address critical issues, exchange new ideas and disseminate the latest developments in basic research, policy dialogue, strategy development and regulatory issues focusing on Population, Development and Reproductive Health issues using the SSC mechanism as an alternative development discourse. The journal is a comprehensive and inclusive platform for scholarly discussions, research dissemination, and knowledge exchange providing an opportunity to explore various interconnected themes. The e-Journal incorporates diverse themes and other topics relevant to ICPD goals and SDGs. These themes can encompass a wide range of topics, fostering interdisciplinary discussions and collaborations. The themes include South South Cooperation Approaches and Measurements, Case Studies of Successful of South South Collaborations, Population Policies and Strategies, Population Dynamics and Demographic Transitions, Health Systems Strengthening: Technologies and Innovations, Economic Development and Population Growth, Climate Change and Environmental Impact, Poverty Alleviation, Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, Youth Empowerment and Education and Maternal and Child Health Programs. The journal is a platform for publishing multidisciplinary work carried out in the global south using variety of methodologies of social science disciplines, such as demography, economics, sociology, anthropology, development studies, and international relations with focus on health diplomacy. Each issue will contain original research articles, reports, case studies, and a policy dialogue. In addition, the journal will also publish supplements either on its own initiative or on request from others.

Objectives:

The International e-journal on South-South Cooperation in Population and Development is committed to playing a pivotal role in advancing knowledge, fostering understanding, and promoting impactful initiatives within the realm of South-South Cooperation (SSC). Our overarching goal is to contribute significantly to the discourse surrounding population dynamics and sustainable development in the context of collaboration among countries in the global South.

The International eJournal on South-South Cooperation in Population and Development has defined clear and strategic objectives aimed at guiding its mission and contributing to the understanding and advancement of collaborative efforts within the Global South. The specific objectives include:

- 1) **Knowledge Advancement:** Objective: Disseminate new and impactful knowledge on population dynamics and development challenges within Southern regions.
- 2) **Facilitating Interdisciplinary Dialogue:** Foster interdisciplinary dialogue and collaboration among scholars, policymakers, and practitioners from diverse academic fields related to population and development.

- 3) **Showcasing Best Practices:** Highlight and promote best practices, success stories, and innovative solutions that have positively impacted population dynamics and development outcomes in Southern regions.
- 4) **Collaboration and Networking:** Facilitate collaboration, networking, and knowledge exchange among researchers, policymakers, practitioners, and organizations committed to addressing population challenges.
- 5) **Inclusivity and Diversity:** Amplify diverse voices and perspectives by actively seeking contributions from researchers, policymakers, and practitioners representing various regions, cultures, and socio-economic contexts within the Global South.
- 6) **Policy Impact and Advocacy:** Advocate for evidence-based policies by actively engaging with policymakers, translating research findings into actionable policy recommendations, and promoting informed decision-making.
- 7) **Alignment with International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) Programme of Action (PoA), the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and other related frameworks:** Actively contribute to the achievement of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly those related to population health, well-being, and socio-economic development.
- 8) **Impact Assessment and Continuous Improvement:** Regularly assess the impact of the eJournal's contributions on informing policies, inspiring actions, and contributing to positive change within Southern regions.

These objectives collectively guide the e-Journal's efforts to be a dynamic and influential platform for the advancement of knowledge, collaboration, and sustainable development within the Global South.

A. Position Overview:

Chief Editor – International e-Journal on South-South Cooperation in Population and Development

Reporting to: The PPD Executive Director/ Officer in Charge

Contract Type: Consultation

B. Responsibilities:

- a) **Editorial Oversight:**
 - i. Provide strategic direction for the e-Journal in line with its mission and goals.
 - ii. Curate and manage the editorial calendar, ensuring a balanced and timely publication schedule.
 - iii. Oversee the peer review process to maintain high-quality content standards.
- b) **Content Development:**
 - i. Work closely with authors, reviewers, and editorial board members to solicit and develop high-impact articles.
 - ii. Ensure that published content aligns with the journal's focus on South-South Cooperation in population and development.

iii. Identify emerging topics and trends for special issues or features.

c) **Quality Assurance:**

- i. Conduct thorough editing and proofreading of submitted manuscripts to maintain the journal's standard of excellence.
- ii. Implement and uphold ethical publishing practices.
- iii. Collaborate with the technical team to ensure proper online presentation and functionality.

d) **Networking and Collaboration:**

- i. Establish and maintain strong relationships with researchers, institutions, and organizations working in the field.
- ii. Collaborate with international partners to enhance the global reach and impact of the e-journal.
- iii. Represent the journal at relevant conferences and events.

e) **Promotion and Visibility:**

- i. Develop and execute a comprehensive marketing and promotion strategy to increase the e-journal's visibility.
- ii. Utilize social media and other platforms to engage with the target audience.
- iii. Explore partnerships with relevant media outlets and organizations for wider dissemination.

C. Qualifications:

- 1) Advanced degree in a relevant field (e.g., public health, population studies, development studies).
- 2) Proven editorial experience, preferably with a focus on reproductive health, population, or development issues.
- 3) Familiarity with South-South Cooperation concepts and practices.
- 4) Strong networking and relationship-building skills.
- 5) Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English/French.

D. Performance Metrics:

- 1) Timely publication of high-quality content.
- 2) Impact factor and citation metrics.
- 3) Increased visibility and readership.
- 4) Successful partnerships and collaborations.

E. Duration and Remuneration:

Primarily the contact to be for One year. This position will be voluntary but a minimal remuneration will be paid to encourage a professional editor for serving PPD.

F. Application Process:

One-page application with CV focusing major activities with Experiences in the said position to be submitted to Mr. Oliver Zumbuko at jobs@ppdsec.org

G. Deadline for Application:

30th January 2024

H. Contact Information:

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