

# PPD Secretariat Emphasizes Value Addition in consultant's Role for South-South Cooperation

Using a top-notch conferencing system from PPD headquarters, three consultants on institutionalization, integration, and chief editor evaluations were conducted. The evaluation standards for choosing consultants, emphasizing the importance of the consultants' comprehension of the issue, as well as the work plan, budget, deliverables, and suggested approach. The PPD Secretariat emphasize the significance of value addition and stated that they wanted the consultants to help South-South cooperation become institutionalized. Equal evaluation opportunities for all consultants were ensured by addressing the duration of consultant presentations and the ensuing Q&A session during the three evaluation meetings.

## PPD's E-journal on Global South-South Cooperation: a response to SDG17

In a significant development for the global academic community, the International Journal for South-South Cooperation in Population and Development will be inaugurated soon by 2024. This online, peer-reviewed journal aims to serve as a vital platform for disseminating high-quality research findings, policy insights, and program learnings from the Global South, focusing on issues related to population, development, and reproductive health.

With a specific emphasis on promoting South-South Cooperation and perspectives, the journal is poised to become a cornerstone in advancing alternative development discourse. By providing a comprehensive platform for scholarly discourse, research dissemination, and knowledge exchange, the journal seeks to address critical issues and foster interdisciplinary discussions across various interconnected themes.

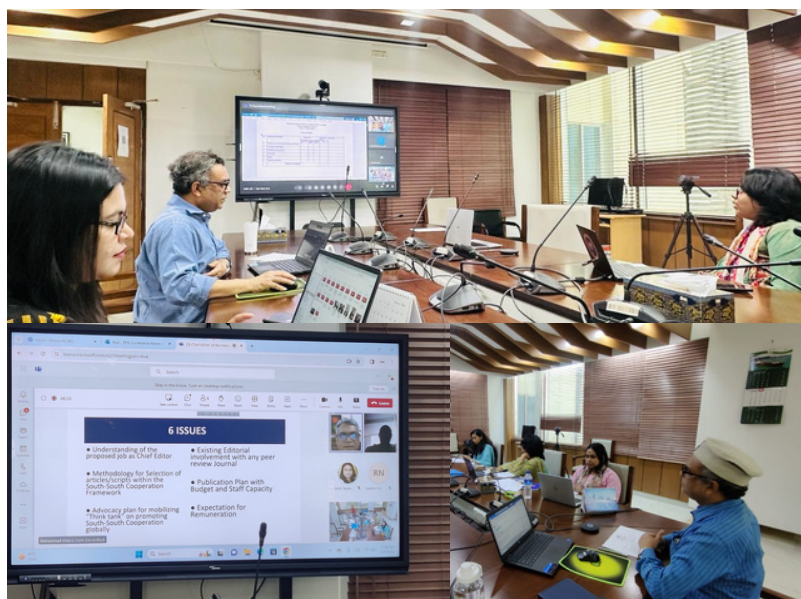
The scope of the journal encompasses a diverse array of topics aligned with the goals of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These include, but are not limited to:

- South-South Cooperation Approaches and Measurements (SDG17)
- Case Studies of Successful South-South Cooperation (SDG17)
- South-South Cooperation for innovative Population Policies and Strategies
- Integration of Data in national and international development policies
- Health Systems Strengthening: Technologies and Innovations through SSC
- South-South Cooperation: a response to Economic Development and Population Growth
- Climate Change and Environmental Impact: best practices from developing countries
- Poverty Alleviation through SSC
- Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment through SSC
- South-South Cooperation: Sharing knowledge and polices on youth Empowerment and Education
- South-South Cooperation: a response to Maternal and Child Health Programs (SDG3)

The journal serves as a platform for multidisciplinary research carried out in the Global South, drawing upon methodologies from various social science disciplines such as demography, economics, sociology, anthropology, development studies, and international relations, with a particular focus on health diplomacy.

Each issue of the journal will feature original research articles, reports, case studies, and policy dialogues, providing a holistic view of the latest developments and insights in population and development issues. Additionally, the journal is open to publishing supplements, either initiated by the journal itself or upon request from external parties.

The launch of the International Journal for South-South Cooperation in Population and Development heralds a new era in academic discourse, offering a dedicated platform for scholars, policymakers, and practitioners to contribute to the advancement of knowledge and understanding in critical areas of global development. As the journal begins its journey, it is poised to make a significant impact on shaping the discourse around population, development, and reproductive health in the Global South and beyond.



# PPD's innovation in Mainstreaming Integration of South-South Cooperation and Data in Development Planning and Strategies in its member countries

With a steadfast commitment to advancing sustainable development goals, PPD recognizes the critical role that National Population Policies play in shaping demographic outcomes. By infusing these policies with robust population data and considerations of South-South Cooperation, PPD aims to foster a more comprehensive and tailored approach to addressing the diverse demographic challenges faced by member countries.

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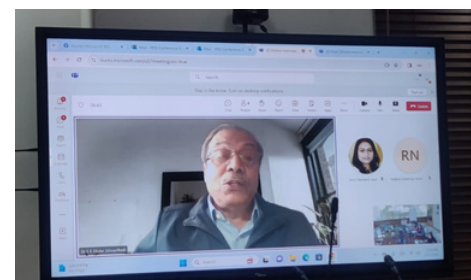
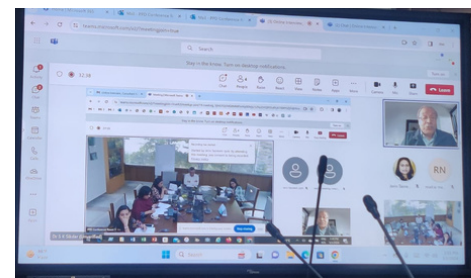
PPD underscored the significance of this initiative, stating, *"In an era marked by rapid demographic shifts and evolving global dynamics, it is imperative that National Population Policies are equipped to effectively address the multifaceted challenges confronting our member countries. By integrating population data and South-South Cooperation considerations, we aim to empower nations with the tools and insights needed to navigate these complexities and pave the way for sustainable development."*

As PPD continues to champion innovative approaches to population and development issues, the integration of population data and South-South Cooperation considerations into National Population Policies stands as a testament to the organization's unwavering commitment to driving positive change within the Global South.

In order to strengthen the incorporation of population data and South-South Cooperation considerations into the National Population Policies of its member nations, PPD has declared its search for an experienced consultant. This calculated action intends to increase these programs' effectiveness and relevance in addressing contemporary population challenges throughout the Global South.

The initiative's significance was emphasized by PPD program team as *"National population policies must be prepared to effectively address the multifaceted challenges facing our member countries in an era marked by rapid demographic shifts and evolving global dynamics." We hope to equip countries with the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully negotiate these challenges and open the door to sustainable development by fusing demographic data with South-South Cooperation concerns."*

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# PPD plans to institutionalize the South-South Cooperation in national strategies by 2030

PPD is devoted to achieving sustainable development goals and acknowledges that national population policies have a significant impact on demographic outcomes. Through the incorporation of comprehensive population statistics and South-South Cooperation considerations, PPD hopes to promote a more complete and customized approach to resolving the many demographic concerns that member countries confront.

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Vision for the Institutionalization	Initiative	Key Objectives	Recent Developments
At PPD, we recognize the immense potential of South-South Cooperation in addressing the complex challenges facing health systems across the globe. With this vision in mind, PPD has embarked on a groundbreaking journey to institutionalize SSC into the national health strategies of our member countries.	The initiative aims to harness the expertise, resources, and experiences of PPD member countries to support one another in achieving their health goals. By facilitating knowledge exchange, capacity-building initiatives, and joint initiatives, PPD seeks to empower countries to tackle common health challenges more effectively and efficiently.	<div>1. Enhanced Collaboration: Foster closer collaboration among PPD member countries to leverage their collective strengths and resources in addressing health challenges.</div> <div>2. Strengthened Health Systems: Support the development and strengthening of robust health systems in PPD member countries through mutual learning and exchange of best practices.</div> <div>3. Contribution to Sustainable Health Outcomes: Contribute to the achievement of sustainable health outcomes by promoting innovative solutions, enhancing health service delivery, and improving health equity across PPD member countries.</div>	<div><b>Knowledge Exchange Workshops:</b> PPD has organized a series of knowledge exchange workshops, bringing together policymakers, health experts, and practitioners from member countries to share experiences, lessons learned, and innovative approaches to health system strengthening.</div> <div><b>Capacity-Building Initiatives:</b> PPD has launched capacity-building initiatives aimed at enhancing the technical skills and knowledge of health professionals in member countries. These initiatives cover areas such as public health management, healthcare delivery, and health policy development.</div> <div><b>Joint Initiatives:</b> PPD member countries have embarked on joint initiatives to address specific health challenges collectively. From combating infectious diseases to improving maternal and child health outcomes, these initiatives demonstrate the power of collaboration in driving meaningful change.</div>



Looking Ahead: As we move forward, PPD remains committed to deepening and expanding South-South Cooperation in national health strategies among our member countries. Through continued collaboration, innovation, and partnership, we are confident that we can overcome the most pressing health challenges and build healthier, more resilient societies for generations to come.