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SDGs reaffirm support to Cairo mandate



Follow-up to the ICPD beyond 2014 that marked the 20th anniversary from the Cairo Conference, UN Member States reconfirmed that the ICPD agenda and the Programme of Action remained as important as ever and positioned ICPD issues as central to the SDGs. **"We cannot talk about sustainable development without addressing women's empowerment, gender inequality, and discrimination and violence and ensuring sexual and reproductive health and rights of all are met"**, UNFPA Executive Director Babatunde Osotimehin said in the Special Session. These issues, he said, "must be at the heart of the Post-2015 agenda to ensure that **current and future generations are made up of resilient, adaptive, innovative, creative people capable of building resilient societies**".

Gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls, as well as increased investments to close the gender gap, have found a central place in the SDGs. Universal health coverage and universal access to SRH information, education and services are underscored in the Post-2015 goals, just as the need for quality, accessible, timely and reliable disaggregated data to measure progress. The inclusion of so many important ICPD related issues is not a coincidence; in fact, the ICPD Beyond 2014 review and the Framework for Actions for the follow up to the ICPD beyond 2014 last year already provided critical evidence to justify inclusion of the link between population dynamics and development.

Our lessons from Bangladesh can serve as an example of how important access to sexual and reproductive health is, especially for adolescents and youth. If girls, boys and their families are more aware of the physical risks of teenage pregnancies they may decide to delay the first pregnancy to ensure that both mother and baby survive and lead healthy lives. This is the reason why sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights, the empowerment of women and gender equality, and the rights and empowerment of adolescents and youth, are at the heart of the Post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals, as have been in the ICPD agenda.

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"I considered all feedback to be constructive..."

says Mohammad Wahid Hossain after attending the Commission on Population and Development (CPD 48)

MOHAMMAD Wahid Hossain; Director General of the National Institute of Population Research and Training (NIPORT), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Additional Secretary to the Government of Bangladesh and Mr. Zahid Maleque MP, Honourable State Minister for the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare attended the Commission on Population and Development forum held at the UN Headquarters, New York City, USA from 13 to 17 April 2015. The theme of the session was "Realizing the future we want: integrating population issues into sustainable development, including the post-2015 development agenda".

Mr. Wahid's revelations give us an insight into how far our country has come and what lies in the future. "We have come to know from the forum that an additional 2.1 billion babies will be born worldwide, with the majority being born in Africa and Asia. These births pose particular challenges for low-income countries, where rates of poverty and malnutrition are already high, levels of education low, health-care systems weak and rates of infant and child mortality are high", he said.

Major issues discussed in the forum revolved around nutrition, gender, health, education along with other issues. Focus was placed on Sustainable Development Goals to be adopted later this year and how population and development related issues could be integrated. The changing age structure, particularly the ever growing challenge faced by an ageing population was at the centre of many discussions.

Emphasis was placed on the crucial need for achievement of gender equality and women's empowerment. Countries need to further promote girls' and women's education, ensure that girls and women have access to safe and effective means of family planning, as well as ensuring women's equal access to the labour market, social security and political processes.

The positive achievements made in Bangladesh were also mentioned during the forum. Especially in terms of food and nutrition but also in relation to health, education and the population. "Although, Bangladesh's food production is 350 million metric ton per year, proper nutrition is still a problem. When we present the statistical data of 15 years of MGD, we notice development in different arenas that is still unfortunately insufficient." Mr. Wahid stated. He also



expressed his regret on how time has been wasted. An integration of population issues into development at an early time, maybe in the 1980s and not only in the 1990s would have resulted in Bangladesh being in a much better place now. Present hurdles for the government are the shortage of midwives, trained nurses and skilled birth attendants. Women need to be encouraged to deliver their children at a health facility as current statistics show that 68% of births occur without a skilled birth attendant present.

Mr. Wahid went on to say that Bangladesh still needs adequate support and resources both from within the country and from development partners to achieve the targets set out in the new SDGs. The flow of funds should therefore not be reduced.

"Speakers praised us for our developments but we were generally criticised in the areas of population, food security, and social development." Mr. Wahid says.

He plans on incorporating all the lessons learnt at the forum and will emphasize two or three major issues: ageing population, nutrition and food safety. In education sector quantity has been achieved but not quality. The same goes for health sector. Mr. Wahid feels that a lot has been achieved at the grass root level with the government's Community Health Care Approach. Plans to focus on the issue of nutrition are next in the Health Population and Nutrition Sector Development Program in association with other Ministries, such as Food Ministry and Social Welfare Ministry.

Interview by Sohel Rana

INTEGRATING population dynamics and sexual and reproductive health into development strategies was the main goal at the International Conference on

Population and Development (ICPD) that took place 21 years ago in Cairo, Egypt. On the eve of another decisive declaration expected to be adopted by the Member States of the United Nations in just a few days we take a look at how much of the ICPD agenda has been integrated into the outcome document "Transforming Our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development", which will take over from the Millennium Declaration and Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

The UN Summit for the Member States to adopt the Post-2015 Development Agenda will take place from the 25th to the 27th of September this year. This UN Sustainable Development Summit 2015 will mark the culmination of an almost three-year long process of consultations and negotiations, which have involved a variety of individuals, groups, organizations and governments. In comparison to the development of the MDGs, the process to get to this stage of having 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with 169 targets has been much more inclusive and participatory. The preamble of the current version of the Outcome Document calls it a universal agenda for

action with a focus on "people, prosperity and planet" and a call to promote peaceful societies and establish global partnerships for implementation. The document directly seeks to build on the MDGs and close the gaps that remain. Realizing human rights and gender equality are guiding principles for the achievement of the SDGs which are based on a balance between the social, economic and environmental dimensions of development.

When examining the outcome document and its goals and targets, the close link to many ICPD-related issues becomes apparent. The SDGs contain goals directly related to health and gender and a number of targets that speak to key ICPD issues.

Target 3.7 refers to "ensuring universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, information and education", and Target 5.6 also specifically speaks of ensuring "universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights as agreed in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International

Last September, during the UN General Assembly Special Session on the

Cyclone Preparedness Programme(CPP)
A joint programme of Government of Bangladesh and Bangladesh Red Crescent Society
684-686, Bara Maghbazar, Dhaka.

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Urban Resilience Project (URP)
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Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI) for "Financial Management and Planning Specialist (National)"

1. Urban Resilience Project (URP) is a multi-agency project being implemented by four agencies -- a) Programming Division under the Ministry of Planning; b) Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) under the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives; c) Rajdhani Unnayan Kartripakkha (RAJUK) under the Ministry of Housing and Public Works; and d) Department of Disaster Management (DDM) under the Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief. To respond to the critical gap in the management of disaster risk in Bangladesh particularly in an urban setting, this project represents the multi-phase national Disaster Risk Management (DRM) program to build institutional capacity to respond and mitigate the impact of earthquakes in the rapidly urbanizing cities of Bangladesh. The objective of the overall engagement is to develop a comprehensive approach to managing earthquake risk through a structured process of knowledge development, education, and planning that involves a wide range of stakeholders to increase their capacity and to build ownership. The specific objective of the project is to enhance national-level and local-level DRM facilities and agencies in Dhaka and Sylhet to effectively plan and respond to urban disasters. This will be achieved by developing disaster response systems, including emergency operations center, interoperability communication systems, rescue and search equipment, and related training and drills etc.
2. The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (GoB) has obtained a credit for the "Urban Resilience Project (URP)" from the International Development Agency (IDA) and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to pay for procurement of services from national consultants for a role of Financial Management and Planning Specialist. As part of his/her duties, the consultant will assist the Project Management Unit (PIU) in overall financial management and planning functions of the project. He would assist DNCC in ensuring planning process, smooth flow of project funds, preparation of IUFRRs, preparation of annual financial statements, coordination of project audit, among other relevant tasks.
3. The scope of this consultancy services include, but not limited to:
 - a) Preparing and updating a financial management manual that would be embodied in the Operational Manual for the project,
 - b) Assisting Project Director (PD) in preparation of annual budget estimates, revised budget and financial plan complying the approved budget line,
 - c) Preparing annual and quarterly disbursement forecasts,
 - d) Reconciliation of funds transferred and disbursed,
 - e) Processing payments,
 - f) Ensuring Internal Control,
 - g) Maintaining Computerized Accounting System as well as registers, books and records,
 - h) Development of a Chart of Accounts,
 - i) Maintaining Fixed Assets Record,
 - j) Preparation of Financial Statements and Reports etc.
4. The qualifications/specialized knowledge/experience required are:
 - i. A professionally qualified accountant (CA, ACCA, CPA, CFA, CMA, CIMA) with minimum of 05 (five) years of post qualification experience. Operational knowledge in accounting software will be an added advantage, but not mandatory;
 - ii. Proven track record of ability to develop a Chart of Accounts befitting the relevant computerized accounting system and the reporting;
 - iii. Experience in the effective supervision of personnel;
 - iv. Self-guided, strong organizational and planning skills with the ability to work independently as a team player and under pressure;
 - v. Strong interpersonal communicative skills, experience in team leadership and participatory management;
 - vi. Ability to impart training to the project staff on financial management system.
5. Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) now seeks application from eligible applicants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Applicants are required to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services. This should include complete CV with detail information about employment history with duties and responsibilities, academic details, major publications (if any), expected remuneration, contact address including telephone number and e-mail.
6. The consultant will be selected using the Selection of Individual Consultants method in accordance with the World Bank Guidelines, "Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers" January 2011 revised July 2014.
7. Interested applicant may obtain Terms of Reference (TOR) upon request from the address below either by e-mail or in person during the office hours (9.00am to 5.00pm) or it can be downloaded from www.dncc.gov.bd
8. Expressions of Interest in hard copy in sealed envelope [clearly marked "Expression of Interest for Procurement Specialist (National)"] must be delivered to the address below by September 21, 2015 during office hour.

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