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Reproductive Health Programmes”**

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Asian Forum of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (AFPPD) in cooperation with the European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development (EPF) and the support of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation had organized a Regional Consultation on, "Emerging Economies and Population: Reproductive Health Programmes" during 30-31 August, 2010 in Bangkok, Thailand. The conference was attended by over 40 parliamentarians from Asia and two European parliamentarians as well as experts and representatives from international organizations and international NGOs.

The consultation was a follow-up of the Second Women Deliver Conference which was held in Washington DC in June, 2010 and Global Consultation on South-South Cooperation organized by UNFPA in July, 2010 in Bangkok. The goal of the consultation is to provide a forum to review a current state of engagement between emerging economy countries and developing countries including the least developing countries (LDCs) in the areas of population development especially on the reproductive health programmes in the region and also strategies to promote more cooperation. The consultation had drawn upon ICPD Programmes of Actions and Health related MDGs (MDG 4 on Reducing Child Mortality, MDG 5 on Improving Maternal Health and MDG 6 on HIV/AIDS, Malaria and other Diseases).

Specific objectives of the consultation are as follows:

1. To sensitize parliamentarians from emerging economy countries on the health situation especially on the reproductive health in the region.
2. To assess the state of reproductive health and population development of emerging economy countries and their targets.
3. To review progress and challenges of reproductive health, family planning and its impact on population development in the region and the role played by emerging economy countries.
4. To explore a possible development cooperation and resource mobilization between emerging economy countries and other developing countries including LDCs within the South-South Cooperation Framework.

The expected outputs of the project were:

Output 1: It is expected that the consultation envisages greater understanding on the health situation in the region among parliamentarians and firm up their commitment to support population and reproductive health programmes in developing countries.

Output 2: The consultation will promote and enhance partnerships in health related programmes between emerging economy countries and the LDCs.

Output 3: Knowledge, experience and recommendations shared during the consultation will be consolidated in the report and disseminated to stakeholders as guiding information on South-South Cooperation on Reproductive Health.

The objectives of the project reported here were to review the results obtained from the discussions during parliamentarians' participation at the consultation.

2. MAIN OUTCOME OF THE CONSULTATION

Statement of Commitment

Regional Consultation on, "Emerging Economies and Population: Reproductive Health Programmes" 30-31 August, 2010, Bangkok, Thailand

We, parliamentarians from six Asian emerging economy countries and parliamentarians from Germany and Spain, gathered in Bangkok, Thailand from 30-31 August, 2010 for a Regional Consultation on, "Emerging Economies and Population: Reproductive Health Programmes", under the auspices of the Asian Forum of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (AFPPD) and the European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development (EPF);

Recognize that parliamentarians from emerging economy countries have a crucial role to play in supporting the implementation of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) to achieve all the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) especially the health related Goals 4, 5, 5B, and 6;

Believe that South-South cooperation based on countries' experiences is essential in accelerating population development programmes for poverty reduction, gender equality and sustainable development. The Official Development Aid (ODA) of the emerging economy countries in population development and reproductive health programmes is a key mechanism to the stabilization of the population;

Confident that contribution of the Official Development Assistance (ODA) of emerging economy countries to other developing countries and Least Developing Countries (LDCs) in the midst of economic recession is a cost effective investment for our shared goals of human security;

Recognize that it is important to build alliances and partnerships among governments, private agencies, NGOs and civil society organizations working on maternal health, family planning, adolescent reproductive health and HIV/AIDS to ensure the involvement of all stakeholders in working towards the successful implementation of the ICPD;

We, parliamentarians therefore;

Urge the governments of emerging economy countries to increase the level of funding to national population programmes and promote technological exchange and knowledge sharing in the health related programmes. Substantial increase of the national budget should be allocated to maternal and child health, which include family planning and sexual and reproductive health. It is also their obligation to monitor the effective use of funds;

Call Upon our governments to collaborate and provide financial support to multilateral agencies, NGOs as well as CSOs working in the areas of population and development, family planning, reproductive health such as UNFPA and IPPF;

Commit ourselves to advocate for legislative reform for family planning, universal access to sexual reproductive health services and rights, HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment and harm reduction and elimination of violence against women;

Affirm our commitment on MDG 8: Develop a Partnership for Development among emerging economy countries to advance cooperation on population development and universal access to sexual and reproductive health and rights especially to women, youth and vulnerable population;

Call upon our government to ensure our country's commitment on the Joint Action Plan for Maternal and Child Health to be made at the Millennium Development Goals Summit in New York in September 2010.

3. PROJECT ACTIVITIES

The Consultation on, "Emerging Economies and Population: Reproductive Health Programmes" was organized on 30-31 August, 2010 in Bangkok, Thailand. The consultation was organized in the form of thematic discussion sessions. The two-day consultation saw the participation of parliamentarians and experts working on population development with a focus on reproductive health and other health related issues. Over 40 parliamentarians had participated in the discussion with experts from different agencies to share their experience and exchanged point of views. List of participants is attached in Annex 2.

The opening ceremony of the consultation was addressed by Hon. Sen. Dr. Pinit Kullavanijaya, Secretary-General of AFPPD, Mr. Najib Assifi, Deputy Director, UNFPA Asia-Pacific Regional Office and UNFPA Representative in Thailand and Mr. Apinan Phatarathiyanon, Director-General, Thailand International Development Cooperation Agency (TICA) The agenda is in Annex 1.

Project Activity:

The following summaries include the main points of the presentations and discussions during the two days of the consultation.

Day 1 – Monday 30th August, 2010

The first day of the conference was divided into three thematic discussion sessions:

1. Session One: Emerging Economies : A Review of the Situation on Population and Reproductive Health and Rights

Chair: Hon. Dr. Ahmad Nizar Shihab, MP, Indonesia.

Speakers:

- Dr. Wasim Zaman, Executive Director, International Council on Management of Population Programme (ICOMP)
- Dr. Kanittha Chamroonsawasdi, Department of Family Health, Mahidol University
- Dr. Siti Mariah Mahmud, MP, Malaysia

Dr. Wasim Zaman presented a review of the situation of population and reproductive health in the region that despite progress has been made in population development; all ICPD goals are still relevant. Population growth rate in Asia has reduced 1.8% but Pacific region is still on the rise. Maternal and child mortalities are still neglected in policies. The issues of gender inequality were raised that Asia-Pacific needs to deal with women inequality in order to make a significant impact on poverty reduction, health, climate change and other development issues. During his presentation, the important role of emerging economy countries on population development was highlighted that the countries should not limit itself to ODA policies with the exchange of technological knowledge but overarching policies and pattern of development should be set and adopted by emerging countries itself. The role of private sectors in development also was stressed that government and private sectors collaboration is crucial in this changing scenario as consensus need to be built on development from all stakeholders.

Dr. Kanittha Chamroonsawasdi outlined a regional outlook of population statistic on maternal and child mortality rate and reproductive Health. Population growth rate in Afghanistan stands highest in South-Asia with Philippines and Lao PDR in Southeast Asia. Maternal mortality rate is still acute in Afghanistan and Lao PDR. Sri Lanka has least number of maternal deaths in South Asia and Malaysia in Southeast Asia. Reproductive Health and HIV Prevention Programmes in Thailand was also presented to show lessons learned that strong

political commitment is needed with multi-sectoral collaborations to develop policies and programmes.

Hon. Dr. Siti Mariah Mahmud, MP, Malaysia, shared Malaysian experience in working on the promotion of the reproductive health and rights with special emphasis on the youth that sex education needs to be integrated into school curriculum in a clear manner. There is also a need for teacher training on the issues in cultural specific context. Strategies to promote reproductive health and family planning programmes were captured in her presentation that for reproductive health programmes to be effective there is a need to change the mindset of the community, religious and political leaders and raise awareness of the masses but this has to be done in creative ways.

2. Session Two: A Panel of Parliamentarians on the Potential of Emerging Economies to Support Health Programmes

Chair: Hon. Sen. Kobkul Phanchaoenworakul, Thailand

Speakers:

-Hon. Dr. Nguyen Van Tien, MP, Vietnam

-Hon. Ms. Mabel Rebello, MP, India

-Hon. Ms. Emerenciana A. De Jesus, Member of House of Representatives, Philippines

Hon. Dr. Nguyen Van Tien, MP, Vietnam presented an outlook of Vietnam's health sector in relation to economic growth that health care demands are increasing in tandem with better economic performance. Rapid economic growth has increased financial and technological investment in health care services. The country has passed several legislations related to the health care sector i.e. law on universal health care insurance, law on aging and disabled people, law to support harm reduction programmes for HIV/AIDS prevention among drug users. The government has also granted more budgets to build health care facilities. Nevertheless, the emerging situation has witnessed a challenge in health care equity as disparity in health status prevails among population groups i.e. rural poor and ethnic minorities. The presentation concluded with following recommendations; health system reforms for public and private mixed system and balance basic, preventive to high tech medical as well as decentralized health care system to increase financial autonomy and multi-sectoral and multi-levels collaborations.

Hon. Ms. Mabel Rebello, MP, India shared Indian experience on health care development that the focus is currently on the rural poor as they constitute a major population of the country. The bill on national health insurance scheme which entitled the poor to benefit health care from state hospitals was passed two year ago. However, India as an emerging economy country has also emerged as a hub of medical tourism in the region. This phenomenon has led to the problem of disparities in medical services due to the concentration of the medical expertise in the metropolitan cities.

Hon. Ms. Emerenciana A. De Jesus, MP, Philippines outlines the state of public health in the Philippines that it is generally improved over the last few decades with longer life expectancy at birth, lower maternal and child mortality rate and better management of common diseases. Despite these improvements, Philippines is still lagging behind its neighbours in term of performance. The current government has introduced four pillars of health sector reforms namely, 1) health financing by expanding national health insurance programmes and health budget reforms 2) health regulation through harmonization of regulatory systems and processes 3) health delivery by increasing services 4) health governance through the development of local health system. The important role of the civil societies in addressing universal health care issues is raised in her presentation that education, public information campaign and sharing of experiences are important pillars to improve health situation.

3. Session Three: Resource Mobilization for Population and Reproductive Health: A Case Study

Chair: Hon. Mr. Kamalanathan P. Panchanathan, MP, Malaysia

Speakers:

-Mr. Neil Datta, Secretary, European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development (EPF)

-Mrs. Sun Paranjothy, Director of Programmes, International Planned Parenthood Federation East and South East Asia and Oceania (IPPF)

Mr. Neil Datta, Secretary, European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development (EPF) gave an overview of the situation of the development aid and pointed out challenges to resource mobilization that family planning and contraception is neglected and political enabling environment and integrated approaches are needed. Emerging and established donors need to reverse the trend in declining assistance to reproductive health and family planning. In addition, the role of parliamentarians in resource mobilization to impact population and reproductive health programme was also outlined during his presentation. Various success stories of parliamentary advocacy for SRHR issues in different countries were presented to account key elements of success; cross-party consensus on SRHR and strategic partnerships between MPs/ NGOs/UNFPA.

Mrs. Sun Paranjothy, Director of Programmes, International Planned Parenthood Federation East and South East Asia and Oceania (IPPF) showed the current scenario of resource mobilization for population and reproductive health in Asia Pacific Region that largest developing country donors are China and India. The focuses of assistance are largely on infrastructure and industry to the neighboring countries. Assistance in health sector is small compared to needs despite the fact that SRH needs in the region are vast. Many countries are off track in reaching MDG5. Recommendations were made on government policies to mobilize resources for SRHR. This includes policy and institutional environment for SRHR to provide health facilities with quality, right-based, effectiveness and client friendly services and; innovative sources such as tax incentives.

Day 2 – Tuesday 31st August, 2010

The second day of the conference was divided into three thematic discussion sessions:

4. Session Four: Economic Recession and Impact on Reproductive Health and Population Programmes

Chair: Hon. Ms. Reena Concepcion G. Obillo, MP, Philippines

Speakers:

-Mr. Rabbi Royan, Senior Technical Adviser on Population and Development, UNFPA Asia-Pacific Regional Office

-Hon. Mr. Uwe Kekeritz, MP, Germany,

Mr. Rabbi Royan, Senior Technical Adviser on Population and Development, UNFPA Asia-Pacific Regional Office explained aspects of the economic crisis and its impact on the reproductive health services that the crisis has affected the decrease in access to reproductive health and family planning services and also shortage of supplies and commodities in health facilities as well as lack of financial resources to carry on censuses. The economic stimulus packages to response to the crisis have not adequately addressed the social side. The crisis could also exacerbated the inequalities faced by women resulted from the decrease in social protection spending, loses in small business enterprises where women have highly concentrated and potential increase in sex workers and HIV/AIDS infection. Nevertheless,

lesson learned from the previous crisis in Asia has indicated that the impact on population and reproductive health is not too dramatic since household and community support is resilience in coping with the crisis. Suggestion on the strategy to cope with the crisis was pointed out at the end of the presentation that the crisis is also opportunity to strengthen efficiency of spending on social services and strengthen health system in general.

Hon. Mr. Uwe Kekeritz, MP, Germany discussed economic aspects of health care system that health care requires first of all a health system. Building health care system including reproductive health and family planning programmes needs to take into account the issues of education, finance etc. and also negotiation with government. For this, political will that put development as a priority is crucial as this will affect resource allocation. In his discussion, barriers to the access of universal health care was also raised on the issues of access to infrastructure and brain drain citing the situation of migration of medical staff to work in developed countries. In addition, situation of ODA cut was also touched upon that it is likely to happen and this will impact health assistance in several LDCs. Suggestions were made that the mobilization of public support and NGOs in developed countries to impact their governments on ODA will be able to shape the scenario.

5. Session Five: South-South Cooperation for Population Development with Special Reference to Reproductive Health

Chair: Mr. Montri Pekan, Executive Director, The Planned Parenthood Association of Thailand (PPAT)

Speakers:

-Mr. Mukul Sharma, Executive Director, AIDS Society of Asia and the Pacific (ASAP)

-Hon. Ms. Okky Assokawaty, MP, Indonesia

Mr. Mukul Sharma, Executive Director, AIDS Society of Asia and the Pacific (ASAP) discussed how population development and reproductive health programmes could be built through south-south cooperation in the context of emerging economies. According to him, South-South cooperation in the areas of health and population development could be developed through regional block by setting a common minimum level of regional progress in each country of the region. For this, political will to take up challenges is needed to promote regional coordination and share technology and knowledge on health and social policies.

Hon. Ms. Okky Assokawaty, MP, Indonesia presented Indonesian experience on the progress of the population development with regard to reproductive health programmes that legislations on health (Law No. 36); and population and family (Law No. 52) were amended with reference to ICPD and MDGs. Specific budget allocation for maternal and child health to achieve MDG 4 and 5 was made. However, problems persist as the support for local government in family planning is still low and also lack of commitment on the family planning programmes at the district level governments. Situation of population programme funding was also captured in her presentation that international donors start to reduce their support on population development programmes as Indonesia is categorized as a middle income country and also one of the G20 countries but cooperation has increasingly been with philanthropic donors.

6. Session Six: Emerging Economies and Contribution to Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment

Chair: Hon. Dr. Charan Das Mahant, MP, India

Speakers:

-Ms. Geeta Sethi, Regional Programme Adviser, Advocacy and Leadership, UNAIDS Regional Support Team for Asia and Pacific

-Hon. Dr. Porapan Punyaratabandhu, Senator, Thailand

Ms. Geeta Sethi, Regional Programme Adviser, Advocacy and Leadership, UNAIDS Regional Support Team for Asia and Pacific captured a changing characteristic of emerging economies i.e. urbanization, migration and young people to provide linkages to understand health situation including its contribution for HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment. According to Ms. Sethi, sustained high economic growth in emerging economy countries over past decade has contributed to some improvement in health care provision but there is a need to invest substantial resources to impact on HIV. Policy recommendations were made at the end of the presentation that called for policy space to use national resources efficiently for HIV/AIDS and explore innovative ways to collaborate with civil societies to set an example of what to fund as well as invest in partnership and South-South cooperation.

Hon. Dr. Porapan Punyaratabandhu, Senator, Thailand shared Thailand's experience in responding to shifting pattern of HIV/AIDS situation that young people are at risk due to changing social circumstances. Progress on health system has been made in which information system has been integrated as a significant part of health care system. In addition, contribution of Thailand as an emerging economy to other developing countries was also cited by giving an outlook of Thailand's ODA programmes to support neighboring countries in reducing poverty through various programmes such as education and training programmes as well as knowledge and technological exchange to support HIV/AIDS treatment in Africa.

4. PROJECT OUTPUTS:

Output 1: Strengthening Parliamentarians' Knowledge and Commitment to Support Reproductive Health Programmes in Developing Countries

Parliamentarians' knowledge has been enhanced through the interaction with experts working on the issue of population development especially on reproductive health programmes. A number of issues impeding the implementation of reproductive health programmes and family planning were acknowledged by the parliamentarians. Disparities in health status within the country and across the region; and resource gap to fund reproductive programmes in local levels have been recognized by parliamentarians as major challenges that need to be met. The role of civil society and media in promoting reproductive health education was also highlighted as an important means to promote public support for reproductive health and family planning programmes. In particular, the role of parliamentarians in advocating SRHR issues was acknowledged as necessity for resource mobilization for population and reproductive health and family planning programmes in the region.

Output 2: Promotion of Dialogue and Enhance Partnerships in Health related Programmes between Emerging Economy Countries and Developing Countries.

The participation of the parliamentarians at the consultation has promoted and stimulated discussions and actions for collaboration on population development between emerging and developing countries. The significant output of the consultation is that it has provided a platform of discussions among parliamentarians; civil society, UN agencies, and government official to synergize strategies to mobilize resource to support reproductive health and family planning programmes as well as response to problems prevail in the promotion of reproductive health programmes.

Output 3: Dissemination of Report as Guiding Information on South-South Cooperation on Reproductive Health

Knowledge, experience and recommendations shared during the consultation will be consolidated in the report as guiding information on South-South Cooperation on Reproductive

Health. AFPPD will disseminate a proceeding of the consultation to all national committees on population and development and will act as focal points for information on the South-South Cooperation on Population Development and Reproductive Health Programmes in the region.

5. Project Achievements:

The Regional Consultation on, "Emerging Economies and Population: Reproductive Health Programems" organized during 21-23 January, 2010 has successfully met the objectives set forth in the project proposal:

1. The consultation has substantially contributed towards improving parliamentarians' understanding on the issues of reproductive health and family planning and of the need to integrate it into the national policy discussion on the population development.
2. The consultation has provided an opportunity for parliamentarians to enhance and update knowledge on health situation especially on the current state of reproductive health and population development of the emerging economy countries and developing countries. This has consolidated parliamentarians' ability to analyze the problem in the cultural-specific context.
3. Progress and challenges on the implementation of reproductive health and family planning programmes and its impact on population development including the role played by emerging economy countries have been highlighted. Information obtained during the consultation is presented as a baseline to formulate further collaboration between countries.
4. Partnerships between parliamentarians, civil society and UN agencies to address issues of resource mobilization have been addressed. The invited parliamentarians have actively involved in the multi-parties discussion in their countries.
5. Parliamentarians have learnt about different development programmes of emerging donors. The fact that countries in Southeast Asia have already contributed to the development programmes in countries of their interest has not been known widely before. Several new grounds of cooperation among countries were discussed and founded.
6. Parliamentarians expressed their commitment to further enhance cooperation on health and population programmes with other countries in the region.
7. A statement of commitment urging emerging economy governments to increase funding levels for national population programmes and promote technological exchange and knowledge sharing in health related programmes; which include national budget allocation to maternal health and child health, family planning and reproductive health and collaboration with multilateral agencies, NGOs and CSOs was accepted by parliamentarians. The development of this step plays a significant role in engaging parliamentarians to work towards effective policy and legislative change as well as mobilizing resources needed for the implementation of the reproductive health and family planning programmes.

6. CONCLUSION:

Consultation on, "Emerging Economies and Population: Reproductive Health Programmes", organized during 30-31 August, 2010 has significantly improved parliamentarians' understanding on the health situation especially on the reproductive health and family planning programmes in the region. The role of emerging economies in supporting health programmes was also highlighted as a countries' commitment on MDG 8: Global Partnership for Development. The consultation was a platform for parliamentarians to reaffirm their commitment to improve the country as well as regional performance on MDG 4, 5 and 6.

Parliamentarians have highlighted disparities in health status and health services including family planning programmes within the country and across the region as one of the major challenges for population development in the region. In addition, parliamentarians from emerging economy countries acknowledge their significant role in convincing the parliament to allocate resources for health assistance including reproductive health and family planning programmes. The need for parliamentarians' involvement in SRHR advocacy and policy designing was stressed during the discussion among parliamentarians and experts.

Parliamentarians appreciate opportunity to engage in intensive consultation among themselves and with experts to exchange information and share policy recommendation. They expressed that they have gained knowledge and insightful recommendation on health situation especially on the development of reproductive health and family planning and its interconnectedness with other development issues from the consultation. Discussion and point of views exchanged during the sessions were viewed as enriching activities. They would also like to be engaged in further local/regional and international activities on the issues of population and health related MDGs.

ANNEX 1

Regional Consultation on “Emerging Economies and Population: Reproductive Health Programmes”

30-31 August 2010, Bangkok, Thailand

Sunday 29th August, 2010 – Registration of Participants at AFPPD’s Secretariat Room at Studio R1, 4th Floor from 17.00-19.00 Hrs.
Renaissance Bangkok Ratchaprasong Hotel

Day 1 - Monday 30th August, 2010
Venue: Studio R2 Meeting Room,
4th Floor, Renaissance Bangkok Ratchaprasong Hotel

09.00-09.30 Registration (In Front of the Meeting Venue)

9.30-10.30	<p>Opening Ceremony</p> <p>Welcome Address - Hon. Sen. Dr. Pinit Kullavanijaya, Secretary-General of AFPPD</p> <p>Opening Address - Mr. Najib Assifi, Deputy Director, UNFPA Asia-Pacific Regional Office and UNFPA Representative in Thailand</p> <p>Keynote Address: -Mr. Apinan Phatarathiyanon, Director-General, Thailand International Development Cooperation Agency (TICA)</p>
10.30-11.00	<p>Group Photo / Coffee Break</p>
11.00-12.30	<p>Session One: Emerging Economies: A Review of the Situation on Population and Reproductive Health and Rights</p> <p>Chair: Hon. Dr. Ahmad Nizar Shihab, MP, Indonesia</p> <p>Speakers -Dr. Wasim Zaman, Executive Director, International Council on Management of Population Programmes (ICOMP) - Dr. Kanittha Chamroonsawasdi, Department of Family Health, Mahidol University, Thailand -Hon. Dr. Siti Mariah Mahmud, MP, Malaysia</p>

12.30-13.30	Lunch at Studio R6 Room, 4th Floor
13.30-15.00	<p>Session Two: : A Panel of Parliamentarians on the Potential of Emerging Economies to Support Health Programmes</p> <p>Chair: Hon. Sen. Kobkul Phancharoenworakul, Thailand</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hon. Dr. Nguyen Van Tien, MP, Vietnam - Hon. Ms. Mabel Rebello, MP, India - Hon. Ms. Emerenciana A. De Jesus, Congresswoman, Philippines
15.00-15.30	Coffee Break
15.30-17.00	<p>Session Three: Resource Mobilization for Population and Reproductive Health: A Case Study</p> <p>Chair: Hon. Mr. Kamalanathan P. Panchanathan, MP, Malaysia</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mr. Neil Datta, Executive Director, European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development (EPF) -Mrs. Sun Paranjothy, Director of Programmes, International Planned Parenthood Federation East & South East Asia and Oceania

Day 2 - Tuesday 31st August, 2010
Venue: Studio R2 Meeting Room,
4th Floor, Renaissance Bangkok Ratchaprasong Hotel

09.30-10:30	<p>Session Four: Economic Recession and Impact on Reproductive Health and Population Programmes</p> <p>Chair: Hon. Ms. Reena Concepcion G. Obillo, MP, Philippines</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mr. Rabbi Royan, Senior Technical Adviser on Population and Development , UNFPA Asia-Pacific Regional Office -Hon. Mr. Uwe Kekeritz, MP, Germany
10.30-11.00	Coffee Break
11:00-12:30	<p>Session Five: South-South Cooperation for Population Development with Special Reference to Reproductive Health</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Montri Pekan, Executive Director, The Planned Parenthood Association of Thailand (PPAT)</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mr. Mukul Sharma, Executive Director, AIDS Society of Asia and the Pacific (ASAP)

	-Hon. Ms. Okky Assokawaty, MP, Indonesia
12:30-14:00	Lunch at Byte Restaurant, 5th Floor
14:00-15:30	<p>Session Six: Emerging Economies and Contribution to Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment</p> <p>Chair: Hon. Dr. Charan Das Mahant, MP, India</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <p>-Ms. Geeta Sethi, Regional Programme Adviser, Advocacy and Leadership, UNAIDS, Regional Support Team for Asia and Pacific</p> <p>-Hon. Dr. Porapan Punyaratabandhu, Senator, Thailand</p>
15.30-16.00	Coffee Break
16:00-17:00	Adoption of Statement of Commitment & Closing Ceremony

ANNEX 2

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