

**AGENDA**  
**ICPD+5**  
**ROUND TABLE**  
**ON**  
**PARTNERSHIP WITH CIVIL SOCIETY**  
**TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION,**  
**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT**

**Dhaka, Bangladesh**  
**27 - 30 July 1998**

The Round Table on Partnership with Civil Society is being organized by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) in collaboration with the Government of Bangladesh, which is the host for the meeting.

The aims of the Round Table are to:

- < review the status of partnership among Government, Civil Society, including non-governmental organizations and the private sector, and the international community to advocate for and implement the ICPD Programme of Action;
- < identify successes, constraints and lessons learned since the ICPD with respect to policy, legislative, administrative, managerial, strategic and financial aspects regarding tripartite collaboration and partnership, particularly at the country level;
- < propose key future actions to further promote and enhance partnership among Government, Civil Society and the international community to achieve the goals and objectives of the ICPD Programme of Action.

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PARTNERSHIP WITH CIVIL SOCIETY  
TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION, ICPD**

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**Day One: Monday, 27 July 1998**

**8:45 - 10:30 OPENING SESSION**

Professor (Dr.) M. Amanullah  
Honourable State Minister, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Mr. Fazle Hasan Abed  
Executive Director, BRAC

Dr. Nafis Sadik  
Executive Director, United Nations Population Fund

Mr. Salah Uddin Yusuf, Honourable Minister  
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Chief Guest:  
Mr. Humayun Rasheed Choudhury, Honorable Speaker  
Bangladesh Parliament

Mr. Muhammed Ali, Secretary  
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Mr. Mohammed Nizamuddin  
Director, Technical and Policy Division, UNFPA

**10:30** Tea / Coffee Break

**11:30 - 1:00 Partnership with Civil Society to Implement the ICPD Programme of Action:  
Concepts, Progress and Constraints - An Overview**

Moderator  
Mr. M. Nizamuddin, Director, Technical and Policy Division, UNFPA

Panelists:  
Professor Rehman Sobhan, Chairman, Centre for Policy Dialogue, Bangladesh  
Ms. Ingar Brueggeman, Secretary-General, International Planned Parenthood  
Federation  
Dr. Ghulam Samdani, Secretary, Ministry of Population Welfare, Pakistan

This session will provide the conceptual basis for civil society - government - international community partnership and will suggest key areas for discussion in the plenary sessions and the working groups. The panelists will consider such issues as: the definition of the "civil society"; the current role of civil society *per se* and vis-a-vis government in the development

process; the potential role of civil society as a more effective partner with government and the international community. Issues will be presented within the context of advancing the implementation of the Programme of Action.

Discussion

**1:00 - 2:30** Lunch Break

**2:30 - 2:45** **Plenary Session**  
Briefing on Working Groups

**2:45 - 6:00** **Working Group Meetings**

Four Working Groups will be organized:

C Partnership to Create an Enabling Environment for the Implementation of the ICPD Programme of Action

C Social Mobilization to Promote and Implement the ICPD Programme of Action

C Partnership for Capacity-Strengthening, Accountability, Coalition-Building and Financial Sustainability

C Partnership to Promote Access to High Quality Reproductive Health and Family Planning Services

**4:15 - 4:45** Tea / Coffee Break

**4:45 - 6:00** **Working Group Meetings (continued)**

**8:00** **Official Dinner hosted by the Government of Bangladesh**

**Day Two: Tuesday, 28 July 1998**

**8:30 - 1:00** **Session One**  
**Partnership to Create an Enabling Environment for the Implementation of the ICPD Programme of Action**

**8:30 - 9:00** **Informal Presentation on the ICPD+5 NGO Forum at The Hague (6-7 February 1999)**

Mr. Wouter Meijer, Director, World Population Foundation, The Netherlands

**9:00 - 11:00** **Partnership in Action: Civil Society, Government and the International Community**

Moderator: Ms. Susan Davis, Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO), U.S. A.

Panelists: Dr. N. F. Maforah, Director, Social Development, National Department of Welfare and Population Development, South Africa  
Ms. Amy Coen, President, Population Action International, USA  
Ms. Mirai Chatterjee, General Secretary, SEWA, India

Panelists will forthrightly focus on operational issues regarding the status of partnership among civil society, government and the international community. Such issues would include success stories as well as failed efforts; effective modalities; obstacles and constraints; lessons learned; priority issues; key future actions to promote effective partnership. The focus will be on policies, strategies and modalities to create an enabling environment for partnership.

**11:00 - 11:30** Tea / Coffee Break

**11:30 - 1:00 Role of Parliamentarians in Creating an Enabling Environment**

Moderator: Dr. Krasae Chanawongse, M.P., Thailand

Panelists: Ms. Grace Akello, M.P., Uganda  
Ms. Beatriz Merino, M.P., Peru  
Ms. B. Narantsetseg, M.P., Mongolia

The Parliamentarians will discuss the use of legislation and regulations in promoting an enabling environment. Attention will be given to successful usages as well as the constraints and limitations of the legislative modality.

Discussion

**1:00 - 2:30** Lunch Break

**2:30 - 6:00 Working Group Meetings**

**4:15 - 4:30** Tea / Coffee Break

**4:30 - 6:00 Working Group Meetings (continued)**

**7:00 Reception hosted by United Nations Population Fund**

**Day Three: Wednesday, 29 July 1998**

**9:00 - 1:00 Session Two  
Social Mobilization to Promote and Implement the Programme of Action**

Moderator: Professor Rehman Sobhan, Centre for Policy Dialogue, Bangladesh

Panelists: Mr. Dhruv Dey, Majulika Foundation for Human Concerns, India  
Mr. Nelson Agyemang, Executive Director, Youth Development Foundation, Ghana  
Ms. Frances Kissling, President and CEO, Catholics for Free Choice, USA  
Mr. Abdullah Syarwani, Adviser, Nahdlatul Ulama, Indonesia

During this session, panelists will focus on strategies and modalities by which to inform, educate and mobilize civil society leaders and communities - e.g., women, men and youth leaders; the religious community; the business community - to promote and undertake efforts to achieve the goals and objectives of the Programme of Action.

Discussion

10:30 - 11:00 Tea / Coffee Break

**11:00 - 1:00 Session Three  
Partnership for Capacity-Strengthening, Accountability, Coalition-Building  
and Financial Sustainability within Civil Society**

Moderator: Ms. Monique Essed-Fernandes, Coordinating Director,  
Projekta/Women and Development Organization

Panelists: Dr. Abul Barkat, Dhaka University, Bangladesh  
Ms. Semra Koral, KASAKOM, Turkey  
Ms. Susan Davis, WEDO, USA  
Dr. Glenda Simms, Executive Director, Bureau of Women Affairs,  
Jamaica  
Prof. Jay Satia, Executive Director, ICOMP

Panelists will present issues concerning strengthening the human and institutional resources of civil society itself in order to enable it to play a more effective and enhanced partnership role. Such issues would include human resource development, financial sustainability, accountability, transparency, responsiveness to constituencies, coalition building.

Discussion

10:30 - 11:00 Tea / Coffee Break

**1:00 - 2:30 Luncheon hosted by Partners in Population and Development:  
South - South Initiative**

Presentation by Mr. Balla Musa Silla, Executive Director, Partners in Population and Development

**2:30 - 4:00 Working Group Meetings**

4:00 - 4:30 Tea / Coffee Break

**4:30 - 6:00 Working Groups. Preparation of Reports**

**Day Four: Thursday, 30 July**

**9:00 - 11:00 Session Four  
Partnership to Promote Access to High Quality Reproductive Health and  
Family Planning Services**

Moderator: Mr. Robert Ssebunya, Ministry of Health, Buganda Kingdom, Uganda

Panelists: Ms. Susana Galdos, Peru  
Dr. Moushira Al-Shafie, First Under-Secretary, Ministry of Health and  
Population, Egypt  
Mr. Abu Yusuf Choudhury, Director, PIACT, Bangladesh  
Dr. Boniface Oye-Adeniran, Confederation of African Medical  
Associations (CAMAS), Nigeria  
Ms. Janet Jackson, IPPF, London, UK

Panelists will examine issues concerning partnership among the government, NGO, private sector and international community to provide reproductive health and family planning information, counseling and services to the full range of clientele and in an expanded number of delivery points. Topics will include quality of care issues and social marketing strategies.

Discussion

**11:00 - 11:30** Tea /Coffee Break

**11:30 - 1:00 Working Groups. Finalization of Reports**

**1:00 - 2:00** Lunch

**2:00 - 5:15 Plenary Session:**

Moderator

Mr. M. Nizamuddin, Director, Technical and Policy Division

Presentation of Reports:

Representatives of the four Working Groups

Briefing on Procedures for the Preparation of the Round Table Report:

Mr. V. T. Palan, General Rapporteur

Discussion

**4:15 - 4:45** Tea/Coffee Break

**5:15 - 6:00 Closing Session - Chair, Mr. M. Nizamuddin**

Summation:

Mr. M. Nizamuddin

Closing Remarks

Mr. Alain Mouchiroud, UNFPA Representative (Bangladesh)

Closing Statement

Mr. Muhammed Ali, Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare