

PPD's Governance Meeting in Dhaka: A Step Towards Progress



Dhaka, Bangladesh – July 7, 2024 – The 39th Executive Committee Meeting and 27th Board Meeting of Partners in Population and Development (PPD) were successfully convened today at the Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel in Dhaka, Bangladesh. The meetings brought together Ministers and Partner Country Coordinators (PCC) from 23 member countries, reflecting a strong commitment to the organization's mission of promoting South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) in population and development. These pivotal governance meetings were hosted by the Government of Bangladesh. The primary focus of these meetings was to discuss the strategic direction of PPD, the ongoing and future initiatives in SSTC, and the ways to strengthen cooperation among member countries to address population and development challenges.

The meetings concluded with a reaffirmation of the commitment of member countries to the principles of South-South and Triangular Cooperation and a shared vision for the future of PPD. The outcomes of these discussions will guide the organization's efforts in promoting sustainable development and addressing population challenges across member countries.

As PPD prepares for the upcoming 21st International Inter-Ministerial Conference on South-South and Triangular Cooperation in Population and Development: ICPD 30, the outcomes of today's meetings will play a critical role in shaping the outcome document of 21st Conference and ensure impact of South-South Cooperation.





Participants were present from the PPD's Member countries:

- **Dr. Samanta Lal Sen**, Member of PPD Board; and Honourable Minister, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW), Government of Bangladesh
- **Prof. Mohamed Douagi**, Secretary of PPD Board; and President Director General, National Board of Family and Population, Ministry of Health, Government of Tunisia
- **Dr. Thierry O. LAWALE**, Director of Mother and Child Health, Government of Government of the Republic of Benin
- **Ms. LI Wei**, Deputy Director General, Department of International Cooperation, China National Health Commission
- **Ms. XU Yongjun**, Deputy Director General, Department of Population Surveillance and Family Development, China National Health Commission.
- **Mr. GU Zhiqiang**, Division Director, Department of International Cooperation, China National Health Commission
- **Ms. QI Han**, Program Officer, Department of International Cooperation, China National Health Commission;
- **Dr. Rokeya Sultana**, Honourable State Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Bangladesh
- **Dr. Mohamed A. Sheikh**, Director-General, National Council for Population and Development (NCPD), Government of the Republic of Kenya
- **Ms. Irene Ashikhongo Muhunzu**, Assistant Director, National Council for Population and Development (NCPD), Government of Kenya
- **Dr. Ukik Kusuma Kurniawan**, Head of PULIN BKKBN, Government of the Republic of Indonesia.
- **Md. Azizur Rahman**, Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of Bangladesh
- **Dr. Ashrafi Ahmad**, ndc, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Bangladesh.
- **Oliver Zambuko**, Officer – in -Charge of PPD and the PPD Secretariat Officials.