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China To Merge Health Ministry & Family Planning Commission

China plans to set up a national health and family planning commission by merging the existing Health Ministry with the National Population and Family Planning Commission. The propose commission will be responsible for planning resource allocation and formulating China's family planning policy and supervising public health, medical care, and family planning service. The role of new commission should not be simply limiting population growth but boosting family development, instead, explained Jing Jun, a professor in the Sociology Department of Tsinghua University, China.--

Source:www.chinadaily.com.cn

“Chhattisgarh [India] Relies Heavily On Women Leaders”

“Fifty six per cent of the women in Chhattisgarh holding leadership positions such as Panch, Sarpanch, Mayorship or other positions by getting elected and working with responsibility”. Earlier, it used to cost the Government Rs300 crore for running the 'Ready-to-Eat' scheme in Anaganwadi centres through contractors. “When women groups took over the work, the cost came down in the range of Rs110 crore to Rs150 crore”.

Chhattigarh has also raised the financial assistance for marriage of daughters from Rs10,000 to Rs15,000.--

Source:www.dailyPioneer.com

Defillipo To Lead “Family Planning 2020 Partnership”

The United Nations Foundation as a follow up of the 2012 London Summit on Family Planning has named a well-known global advocate for family planning and reproductive health Miss Valerie Defillipo formerly with IPPF as the Director of the “Family Planning 2020 Partnership”. A family planning reference group was setup as result of London Summit with Dr. Babatunde, Executive Director UNFPA and Dr. Chris Elias of Gates Foundation as co-chairs have expressed confidence in the Miss Defillipo to implement the vision set by the 18 member reference group and will manage the day today activities of the partnership which is hosted by UN Foundation.--More on: www.familyplanning2020.org

Women Deliver 25 contest Results

The Women Deliver has announced 10 winners of the Woman Deliver contest chosen through Global Online Contest with more than 13,000 votes. The top 10 organization will receive scholarship to the Woman Deliver 2013 Conference in Kuala Lumpur Malaysia (May 28, 2012) where they will participate in the Women Deliver social enterprises challenges. There will also be woman deliver 2013 Cinema corner where documentaries, music videos, and related items will be available. --Source: WomenDeliver

Parliamentary Leader Tackle Sexual and Reproductive Health in Solomon Island

The New Zealand member MPs Hon. Maryan Street and Dr. Cam Calder were joined by Solomon Island Parliamentarians and others to launch a report on adolescent and sexual Reproductive Health and Rights in the Pacific based on an open hearing conducted NZ parliamentarian group on Population and Development in June 2012. Solomon Islands MPs may also be established a special group on Population and Development issues with assistance from NZPPD.--Source: www.voxy.co.nz

Maldives Domestic Law Provide Protection To Abused Women

A bill outlawing domestic violence in Maldives having an impact. Before the legislation was adapted to address abused victims there was no formal mechanisms to safeguard women in Maldives where 20% of them reported having suffered physical or sexual violence. According to Miss Lene Christiansen, UNFPA representative in Sri Lanka and Maldives support is also provided to government of Maldives to establish a plan of action to implement Domestic Violence Act.--Source: www.asiapacific.unfpa.org

Leadership Nuggets from Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe

"A great person attracts great people and knows how to hold them together."

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