# POLICY UNIT

## POLICY UNIT YEAR-1



#### FOCUS FOR YEAR 1

- Setting up structures and systems in place
- Identify priority areas for policy analysis action and change
- **Building meaningful partnerships**
- Undertaking policy analysis
- Strengthening capacities for policy analysis and action

## **ORGANOGRAM**



**Steering Committee Department of Planning** and Evaluation **Policy Unit Senior Policy Analyst** Advocacy and **Project Associate1 Project Associate2** Communication Officer

## WORK ACCOMPLISHED -YEAR 1

- Policy Unit Established in Oct 2011
- Advisory Panel Formation
- Steering Committee Formation
- Capacity Building
  - Capacity needs assessment of Policy Unit staffs done, gap identified and training imparted by HPP
- A visioning exercise
  - Future visioning exercises completed for converting Policy Unit in to a independent school of Policy Research and Analysis in NIHFW.

## NATIONAL TRAINING WORKSHOP ON POLICY MODELS-APRIL 9-11, 2012

Objective: To strengthen capacities to use policy models to foster evidence-based decision making

Models: DemProj FamPlan

 A group of six national organizations participated



## **WORLD POPULATION DAY-2012**

- Provided strategic direction to JSK to organize the Walkathon
- Participated in the Walkathon and the National Conference for Population Action

Dr. N.K. Sethi facilitated a high level dialogue with Member of Parliamentarians



## Dialogue and Consultation

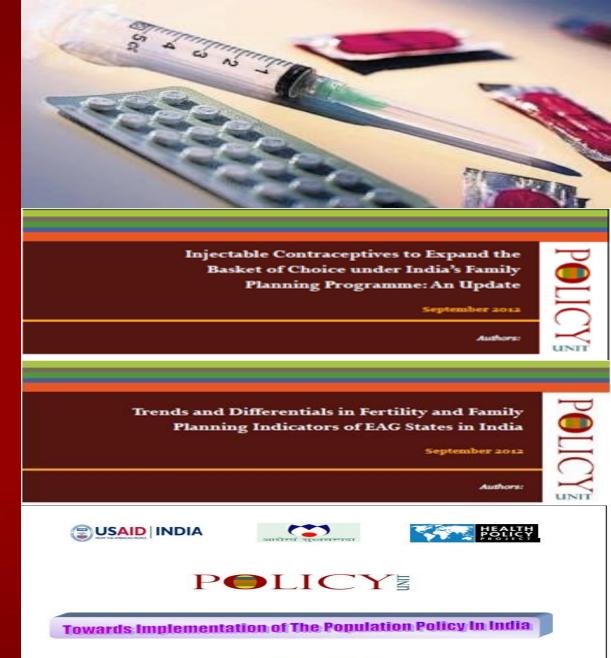
- National Consultative Meeting on the Family Planning Programme-March 16, 2012
- Training-cum-workshop April 17-19, 2012

Strengthened capacity of the SIHFW Sensitized technical, top and mid level officers of MOHFW and WCD (UP- 23, Delhi- 28, Rajsthan-1, Maharashtra-1), Field Level Champions (CDPOs) of 71 districts of UP were also sensitized



## **PRODUCTS**

- 1. Policy Briefs
  - Injectable Contraceptive to Expand the Basket of Choice under India's Family Planning Programme.
  - Trends and Differentials in Fertility and Family Planning Indicators of EAG States in India.
  - Discussion Paper: Population and Development—Progress through Family Planning in Uttar Pradesh
- 2. Background Paper (on population issue)
- 3. An overview of Population stabilization and Family Planning Programme in India



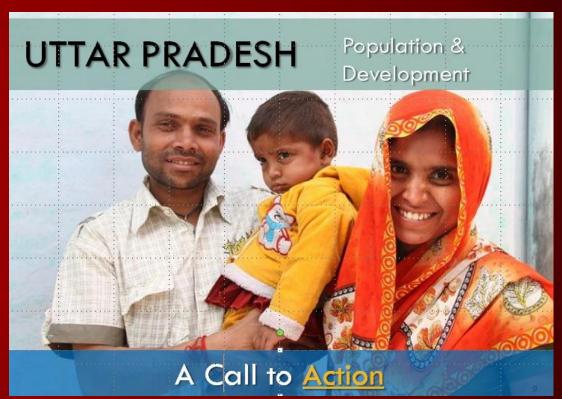
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- 4. Fact Sheet and Communication Messages developed for different target groups
- 5. Report Towards implementation of the Population Policy in India
- 6. Report Population stabilization through RCH in U.P
- 7. PowerPoint: Population & Development to steer political dialogue
- 8. Annual Report 2011-2012



## POLICY UNIT YEAR-2

## FOCUS FOR YEAR 2

Producing evidences for the Key asks

Policy Analysis to Policy Action

**Building inter-institutional collaborations** 

## **STRATEGIES**

- Synthesize, analyze and evaluate key policy constraints and develop targeted products and actions for policy wins.
- Strengthen and champion linkages and interface between government institutions, civil societies, coalitions and networks to advocate for policy actions
- Advocate with right decision-makers to influence key policy decisions that strengthen the family planning program.

## **ORGANOGRAM**

Advisory Panel

**Steering Committee** 

Department of Planning and Evaluation

Policy Unit Senior Policy Analyst

**Technical Expert** 

Demographer

**Data Analyst** 

Project Associate Project Associate Technical Assistant

## STEERING COMMITTEE: PROVIDES OPERATIONAL OVERSIGHT AND QUALITY ASSURANCE

**Chairman:** Prof Jayant K. Das, Director, NIHFW

#### Members

- Dr R. K. Srivastava, Senior Policy Analyst, Policy Unit, NIHFW
- 2. Prof. N. K. Sethi, Department of Planning and Evaluation, NIHFW
- 3. Prof. A. K. Sood, Department of Education and Training, NIHFW
- 4. Prof. T Mathiyazhagan, HOD Department of Communication, NIHFW
- 5. Prof. Thaneshwar Bir, Department of Social Science, NIHFW
- 6. Dr. Pushpanjali Swain, Acting Head of Department, Demography and Statistics, NIHFW
- 7. Dr. Renu Shaharawat, Asst. Prof, Department of Reproductive Biomedicine , NIHFW
- 8. Dr. K.S. Nair, Asst. Prof, Department of Planning and Evaluation, NIHFW

#### **ADVISORY PANEL: PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO THE UNIT**

Chairman: Mr. A.R. Nanda, Ex-Secretary, MOHFW, Govt. of India Members:

- Prof. Jayanta K. Das, Director, NIHFW
- Prof. N. K. Sethi, HOD of Planning and Evaluation Department, NIHFW
- Dr. R K Srivasatava, Sr. Policy Analyst, Policy Unit, NIHFW
- Smt. Meenakshi D. Ghosh, Former Secretary (Panchayati Raj), Gol
- Mr. Naresh Dayal, Former Secretary, MOHFW, Govt. of India.
- Dr. R. C. Sethi, Former Additional Registrar General, India
- Dr. S. C. Gulati, Ex Faculty, Institute of Economic Growth
- Dr. Dinesh Agarwal, Reproductive Health Consultant
- Dr. Sunita Sharma, Country Director, Futures Group
- Dr. Avina Sarna, Country Director, PCI
- Ms. Poonam Muttreja, Executive Director, PFI
- Dr. T. Sundaraman, Executive Director, NHSRC
- Ms. Sheena Chhabra, Team Lead, Health Systems Division, USAID
- Prof. Sunita Mittal, President, FOGSI
- Prof. A. K. Sood, HoD, Department of Education and Training, NIHFW
- Dr. K. S. Nair, Asst. Prof., Planning and Evaluation Department, NIHFW

## PRIORITIZED AREAS FOR POLICY ANALYSIS

- Analyze the levels and trends in Total Fertility Rate, Couple Protection Rate (CPR) and develop population projections.
- Population and Development-Challenges and Action: A Tool for Parliamentarians
- Examine the role of demand side and implementation barriers in integration of Postpartum Family Planning within maternal health services
- Taking stock with multi-level analysis of health spending: Case Study to understand financing primary healthcare in Uttarakhand

## PARTNERSHIPS AND MULTISECTORAL DIALOGUE FOR POLICY ACTION

- Strengthen partnerships between government institutes
- Forge collaborative partnerships with civil society,
  Professional Associations, Networks and Coalitions
- Organizing high level policy dialogue to steer the advocacy agenda

## YEAR-2: PROGRESS SO FAR...

## STRENGTHENED PARTNERSHIPS (CIVIL SOCIETY)

 Providing Technical Assistance to ARC in implementing the common advocacy plan

 Developed Advisory note "Fertility Reduction through Alleviation of Unmet Need for Contraception in Four Larger States" has been prepared.



## GENERATING EVIDENCE FOR POLICY DIALOGUE

- Client: Citizens' Alliance
- Committee on Population under the Chairmanship of Dr. S.Y. Quraishi
  - Develop a Policy Paper Population and Development: Challenges and Action to create a political debate on issues of population
  - Naveen Jindal (MP) Convener of Citizens' Alliance to take the paper to Parliament



## GENERATING EVIDENCE FOR POLICY PROGRAMMING

- Client: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Gol
- Expert Group under Chairmanship of Dr. Arvind Pandey, NIMS and in participation from UNFPA, IIPS, JNU, BBC-WST, NIHFW and USAID
- Working Group led by Policy Unit and HPP
- Technical Report to study impact of family planning policies on fertility decline and develop population projections to inform the family planning programming





## EXPECTED PRODUCTS

- 1. "Story of Our Population"-A Technical Report to MoHFW
- 2. "Population and Development-Challenges and Action"-A Policy Paper to Citizens Alliance
- 3. Study on Health Financing a special reference to Family Planning in Uttarakhand to Government of Uttarakhand
- 4. One National Consultation (Delhi)
- 5. Two State level Consultations (Uttar Pradesh & Jharkhand)
- 6. Website for online discussion
- 7. Creating Web page for Policy Unit

#### WAY FORWARD

- Building Linkages and Collaborations (UNICEF, Academic Institutions etc.)
- Pursuing the advocacy agenda using the evidence generated
  - Identifying and bringing the right decision-makers to the table for policy dialogue
  - Briefing advisers of decision-makers and reducing the social costs of making policy change
- Developing sustainability plan



The Policy Unit was set up at the National Institute of Health and Family Welfare in October 2011, to provide enriched policy analysis and capacity building support to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and the state health departments. The unit organizes national and state level consultations, and policy dialogues, bringing together stakeholders from donor agencies, civil society, private sector organizations, academicians, advocacy network and collations. The unit provides evidence -based policy analysis and directions for policy action around population issues.

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With warm regards







May this Holi bring new colors of joy, success, love and happiness to you and your family...!!!



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