Minutes of Meeting

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, March 18 2014

Venue : 17th floor Cyber2 Tower, Arch Duke Room, Marquee Conference Centre.

Host : DFAT

Co-chair : UNFPA and USAID

Welcoming and Opening Remarks

Mr. John Leigh, Director (Health) of DFAT and the host of the 6th FP2020 Country Committee meeting, opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees. He emphasized 3 main reasons we remain committed to progresssing the FP agenda in Indonesia: 1) ensure women's reproductive health rights 2) address unnecessarily high maternal and neonatal morbidity and mortality rates 3) sustain economic growth.

 Dr. Julianto Witjaksono, Deputy for Family Planning and Reproductive Health at BKKBN thanked DFAT as the host as well as the participants for their attendance at the 6th FP2020 Country Committee meeting. He discussed the various government programs/initiatives related to family planning that have been conducted since January 2014.

Key activities include: the launching of the Universal Health Coverage; Monica Kerrigan's visit to Indonesia from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; the National Coordination Meeting for BKKBN, where district representatives were invited to contribute to the revitalization of the FP program; the UNFPA-supported supply chain management study tour to Nepal (as an effort to revitalize contraceptive supply chain management in Indonesia); the attendance of Ms. Siti Fatonah as the Indonesian representative for the Country Engagement Working Group (CEWG) for FP2020; the recruitment of Dr. Saramma T. Mathai and Ms. Imma Batubara as consultants from UNFPA to develop the FP national strategy; The National Coordinating Meeting of the MOH; meeting of contraceptive manufacturers (April); the modeling of the supply chain management in NTT and East Java; FP2020 reference group meeting in Seattle, Washington (April).

- Mr. Jose Ferraris, UNFPA Representative, asked the participants to introduce themselves and the institution they represent. He shared the ongoing work of UNFPA, including its role in the FP2020 county committee and also the support UNFPA provides to BKKBN and other partner agencies in the pursuit of the national family planning strategy. He reemphasized the driving factors to develop the national FP strategy, which include the 3rd National Medium-term Development Plan (RPJMN 2015-2019), the Universal Health Coverage (JKN), and the Government of Indonesia's commitment to the FP2020 global initiative. In addition, he also emphasized that this year is the 20th anniversary of the ICPD program of action, and in April 2014 there will be a meeting of the commission on population and development Indonesia's inter-ministry delegation will be led by Prof. Dr. Fasli Jalal. The CPD among other things will asses the progress and challenges in attaining universal access to sexual and reproductive health, including family planning.
- Ms. Rachel Cintron, Deputy Director and MCH Team Lead, aknowledged and praised the consistently large attendance of participants at the FP2020 meetings, giving her continued hope and assurance about the direction of family planning in Indonesia. She noted that the USAID program to support

maternal survival will focus on quality and access to care.

Report of the FP Strategy working group (presentation attached)

Ms. Imma Batubara, UNFPA consultant, represented the FP Strategy working group (chaired by Dr. Julianto Witjaksono) and presented on the progress that has been achieved thus far. In addition to discussing the background, purpose, and membership of the working group, she also noted that due to scheduling challenges, individual consultations with the members of the working group were conducted to compile the key issues to be emphasized and further discussed in future working group meetings.

The FP strategy WG will continue to: review national and international best practices; seek consultation with various expert groups on family planning; and continue to meet regularly with the members of the FP Strategy working group.

Report of the Rights and Empowerment working group (presentation attached) Ms. Ninuk Widyantoro, Women Health Foundation (YKP)/Chair of the Rights and Empowerment WG, mentioned the purpose of the working group, which is to ensure that the family planning framework is based on the client's rights and perspective. She also emphasized the need for the framework to be comprehensive, based on accurate information, and inclusive of informed consent. In her presentation she shared the results of the first two meetings of the working group, including a summary presentation of the key issues they discussed and the workplan for the KAP study. The R&E WG also emphasized the significant role of the "enabling environment" (eg. the attitude and behavior of husbands, service providers, and policymakers).

The R &E WG will develop a protocol for the KAP study; identify the study site (eg. urban and rural; muslim and non-muslim area); identify informant and resource persons; and develop tools.

Comments to the FP working group presentations

- Ms. Siti Fatonah, Head of BKKBN-West Java/ member of the FP2020 Country Engagement Working Group, noted that Indonesia should have the country plan in advance before breaking into one or two working groups. She mentioned that during the Country Engagement Working Group (CEWG) meeting in Washington, Indonesia was asked to identify the name of Indonesian country plan and submit it to the CEWG. She also asked about the completeness of the country landscaping. She noted that some of the variables have not been updated yet with the latest data. In addition, Ms. Siti Fatonah also invited Ms. Ninuk Widyantoro to work together with the CEWG in Indonesia to identify the key rights and empowerment issues that should be raised in Indonesia (including the issue of youth).
- Ms. Zumrotin, Head of YKP, expressed her concern regarding the weak position of family planning for women under BPJS. In order to empower women, she emphasized the need to better inform women about BPJS.
- Ms. Sri Kusyuniati, Rutgers WPF Indonesia Country Representative, noted two big problems related to family planning since the 1980s: conservatism and male engagement. She believes that these two issues need to be highlighted and discussed by the two working groups. She also emphasized the need to change our views of masculinity and male engagement in family planning.

Response to the comments

Ms. Imma Batubara mentioned that developing the family planning framework as the GOI prepares to develop the FP strategy plan is a necessary step because the framework would be able to provide recommendations for the national strategy (BKKBN, MoH, and other stakeholders). Related to the country landscaping, she agrees with Ms. Siti Fatonah that it does need to be updated. She also noted that she is also developing the partner matrix, that highlights the activities that are being conducted by each partner organization.

Ms. Siti Fatonah will send Ms. Imma Batubara the new format for the country landscaping.

Ms. Imma Batubara plans to incorporate the issue of conservatism and masculinity in the strategic plan.

Ms. Ninuk Widyantoro accepts Ms. Siti Fatonah's proposal to work

together to accelarate the rights and empowerment framework in family planning.

- Mr. Hendra Gunawan, Managing Director of PT. Tunggal Idaman Abadi, commented that when discuss the strategic planning of FP2020 Indonesia, we need to consider the roles of the public and private sector. As the CPR in Indonesia continues to rise, the role of the private sector will increase as well because the government will no longer be able to support the demand. He suggests the need to brainstorm ideas on how to encourage the private sector to have a more active role in family planning. He also noted his concern regarding how to improve the contraceptive supply chain management due to the geographical landscape of the country. In addition, he also mentioned the need for quality assured contraceptives in the country.
- Dr. Julianto Witjaksono noted that the GOI has prioritized the improvement of the contraceptive supply chain management system as well as the quality assurance of products. Supply chain management modelling will begin in April and within 3-6 months it is expected that there will be several models that can be implemented for the contraceptive SCM system in Indonesia. In order to participate in the Indoneisan bidding for procurement in 2015, manufacturers must commit to follow the WHO pre-qualification process. In this regard, BKKBN is supported by UNFPA and Concept Foundation.
- Ms. Lucky Slamet, Concept Foundation consultant, mentioned 5 contraceptive manufacturers in Indonesia (up until February 2014) have agreed to work with Concept Foundation to increase the quality of their product to meet the WHO standards (they have committed to follow the pre-qualification process). She also mentioned the workshop that will be held on April 10 that aims to help manufacturers accelerate their committment to meet the pre-qualification standards as well as assist in the coordination and collaboration between government institutions (Badan POM, BKKBN, and Ministry of Health).
- Dr. Julianto reemphasized that the quality assurance of products is not only for medical contraceptives, but it also includes condoms and IUDs.

Presentation on the family planning component of the future DFAT-MNH programme (powerpoint presentation is atttached).

- Ms. Widya Setyowati, DFAT Health Unit Program Manager, presented an overview of what DFAT plans to do in the family planning component. This program is scheduled to commence in 2015 (timeframe: 8 years), with focus areas in NTT, NTB, and East Java. The overall goal of this program is to provide access to improved essential health services for women and children. They have expanded their program to integrate family planning, nutrition, and primary care strengthening. She noted that a program analysis has been conducted and she highlighted the problem areas and proposed interventions that they have identified.
- Mr. John Leigh noted thatthrough this program/demonstration models (in 3 provinces), DFAT hopes to better inform the development of national policies.
- Ms. Debbie Muirhead, DFAT Research Adviser, commented on DFAT's
 intention to support the integral role of mass media communication as
 part of the family planning strategy. She also commented on the issue of

incentives to use long-vs. short-term contraceptive methods by the user and service providers. She mentioned that several countries have tried to equalize financing so that the price faced by the acceptors and the reimbursement faced by the private provider is equal across methods so that there is no (financial) incentive on either side. She understands this is an approach that BKKBN is interested in as well.

Comments to the DFAT presentation

- Ms. Ambar Rahayu, Principle Secretary of BKKBN, commented on the fund channeling (PP No. 10 year 2011) as information to the international partners that want to participate in the family planning program. This regulation states that all grants and loans that will be given to the public/private sector must be registered with BAPPENAS and the Ministry of Finance (central level).
- Mr. Jose Ferraris, emphasized the challenges that have been faced by UN agencies as result of the PP No. 2 and No. 10). Specifically, there have been major changes in the planning mechanism within the UN system in Indonesia

Dr. Julianto Witjaksono would like to have a follow-up meeting with Ms. Widya Setyowati and Mr. John Leigh to further discuss the project proposed by DFAT and how BKKBN can facilitate the implementation of this project in Indonesia.

Presentation by Ms. Rita Damayanti (powerpoints presentation attached)

Ms. Rita Damayanti, CHR-UI Executive Secretary/Researcher, presented her study entitled Improving contraceptive method mix (ICMM): patterns and barriers for use of long acting and permanent methods of contraception (LAPMs). She discussed the size (3500 women of reproductive age), locations (6 districts), and objectives of the study. In conclusion, this study found that method mix is heavily skewed towards shorter methods (injectables); Women tend to use spacing methods to achieve limiting goals; The opportunity to promote the use of LAPM exists because women appear to be aware of the negative aspects of using short-term methods and they generally have positive attitudes toward LAPM; The primary source of family planning information is midwives, neighborhoods, and friends; Lower income women are less likely to use LAPM compared to higher-income women, especially as their family size grows. Recommendations: important to improve training of midwives so that they can provide adequate FP counseling on LAPM. This study also reveals the stark differences between districts and therefore, there is a need for family planning programs to be adjusted to the needs of each district they are implemented in (there cannot be just one strategy for all districts, especially as we plan to scale-up this intervention).

Comments

- Ms. Rosalia Sciortino Sumaryono noted that she is worried that the issue of informed consent (choice) for women is still not a main focus in the discussion of family planning in Indonesia. She emphasized that women should have the right to select and use the contraceptive choice of her liking (in accordance with the Cairo agreement). In order to make an informed choice, women should be engaged in discussions regarding the risks and benefits of all contraceptive methods, not just methods that are beneficial from a population control prespective.
- Ms. Atashendartini Habsjah, Perkumpulan Keluarga Berencana Indonesia (PKBI), mentioned that today's discussion has neglected to raise the issue of HIV/AIDS. She believes that there's a need to advocate for integration. She refered back to the proposed program by DFAT regarding the integration of family planning, nutrition, and primary health care, and mentioned that a HIV/AIDS component should also be included when strengthening primary healthcare.

- Ms. Rita Damayanti offered to share the results from the qualitative study that included a focus group discussion involving both male and female participants to gain ingisht on the use of each contraceptive method, even though the issue of informed choice was not discussed.
- Ms. Debbie Muirhead agreed with Ms. Rosalia Sciortino Sumaryono about her concerns regarding informed choice and the challenges of ensuring an equalized opportunity for the use of all contraceptive methods. She highlighted the need for informed choice not be skewed in either direction, rather family planning counseling should provide information on the risks and benefits of all methods.
- Ms. Rachel Cintron commented that we need to better understand the reasons why women are not receiving the contraceptive methods of her choice. She emphasized the need to also include these "why" questions in future research studies instead of making assumptions. This is pertinent before we move on to make further decisions and policies.
- Mr. Jose Ferraris reflected on the comments on integration made by Ms. Atashendartini Habsjah. He reemphasized the concern that the condoms that are being used for the family planning program through BKKBN channel are not being used to their full potential in terms of preventing STIs as well as pregnancies. He noted the priority of the Minister of Healthto promote the dual protection role of condoms in this country. In this regard, he highlighted the discussions between BKKBN (Prof. Dr. Fasli Jalal) and the National Aid Commition (Mr. Kemal Siregar) that aims to ensure that condoms procured locally in Indonesia (PT Mitra Rajawali Banjaran) can also be used for family planning purposes and STI prevention. He also highlighted to current effort to bring in an expert through concept foundation to assess and ensure the quality of condom production in Indonesia.

Closing

- Dr. Julianto Witjaksono closed the 6th FP2020 Country Coordination meeting. Both Mr. Jose Ferraris and Dr. Julianto Witjaksono expressed their deep gratitude to Mr. John Leigh and Ms. Widya Setyowati (DFAT) as the host and for the active participation of all the attendees in this meeting.
- Mr. Jose Ferraris noted that April may not be condusive to conduct the FP2020 country committee meeting. He proposed to hold the meeting sometime in May. Ms. Rachel Cintron indicated that USAID will be pleased to host the next meeting.

Updates regarding the decision on the project proposal to Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (Ms. Fitri Putjuk).

To prepare minutes of meeting and share to all partners (including presentations from today).

Next FP2020 Country Committee meeting to be tentatively set for May 2014 and to be hosted by USAID. (possible agenda to include: reflections of Prof. Dr.Fasli Jalal on the ICPD discussions, Dr. Julianto Witjaksono on the reference group meeting of FP2020, contraceptive manufacturer's meetings, and other activities that were discussed today).