### DICHIARAZIONE DI PARTECIPAZIONE DEI DEPUTATI SULLA

### BASE DI UN INVITO A EVENTI ORGANIZZATI DA TERZI

A NORMA DELL'ARTICOLO 5, PARAGRAFO 3, DELL'ALLEGATO I DEL REGOLAMENTO DEL PARLAMENTO EUROPEO RIGUARDANTE IL CODICE DI CONDOTTA DEI DEPUTATI AL PARLAMENTO EUROPEO IN MATERIA DI INTERESSI

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# AGENDA FOR THE STUDY VISIT TO INDIA, FEBRUARY 8-12, 2016

Day 1: Feb 6 – 7: Arrival in Delhi

Day 2: Feb 8: 08.30 hrs-

Pick Up from the Hotel Lobby

0845-0930 hrs: Introductory Meeting at IPPF SAR Office

and UNDP Resident Representative in India along with 1000-1130 hrs: Meeting Mr. Yuri Afanasiev, UN Resident Coordinator

Representatives from UNFPA and UNWOMEN

1200-1300 hrs: Meeting with Honorable Mr. Shripad Naik Minister of

States, Health and Family Welfare,

1330-1500 hrs: Lunch (@ Indigo)

1500-1600 hrs: Confirmation Awaited from Loksabha Speaker/Site

Visit at a partner location.

**1630 hrs** 

: Local Craft Market

1830-2030 hrs : Cocktail Reception







Day 3: Feb 9 :

0930 hrs- Pick up from the hotel lobby

1030-1130 hrs: Visit to the FPAI Clinic

**1200-1300 hrs:** Field visit

1300-1400 hrs: Lunch at FPAI Clinic

1400-1630 hrs: Meeting with the Parliamentarians

Visit to the Indian Parliament House

Day 4: Feb 10 : 06(

: **0600 hrs:** Leave for Agra (Road Trip)

1030-1300 hrs: Field Visit to FPAI Agra Clinic

1400-1700 hrs: Visit to Taj Mahal

2100 hrs: Reach Delhi

Day 5: Feb 11:

**0530 hrs:** Leave for Delhi Airport

1000 hrs: Arrival at Bangalore and Hotel Check in

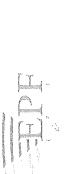
1200-1600 hrs: Field Visit and Interaction with local community

1600-1700 hrs: Meeting with the Speaker of State Legislative

Assembly, Karnataka

Day 6: Feb 12:

1000-1100 hrs: Breakfast Meeting (TBC) and Visit to Public Health Facility







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1200 hrs

: Leave for the Airport

**Departure from Delhi** Day 7: Feb 13: \*\*\*

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### **EPF Parliamentary Study Tour on RMNCA Health,** India, 7-13 February 2016

### Study tour overview

**Purpose** 

In India, every year around 29,7 million women deliver, out of which around 4,5 million (15%) develop complications and around 44.000 women die due to the complications. Integrated efforts resulted in reduction of maternal deaths from 327 in 2000 to 167 per 100.000 live births in 2013. However, there are high region-wise variations; 73,2% of maternal deaths are contributed by 5 states of the country.

In 2013, the launch of Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health (RMNCA Health) approach aims at further strengthening the provided services. The RMNCAH strategic approach has been developed to provide a "continuum of care" which includes integrated service delivery in various life stages, including adolescence, prepregnancy, childbirth, postnatal period, childhood and through reproductive age.

Through RMNCAH, India introduced new initiatives, like the use of "Score Card" to track performance, "National Iron+", to address anemia across all age groups, and the "Comprehensive Screening and Early interventions" for defects at birth, diseases and deficiencies among children and adolescents. The RMNCAH approach also reiterates the need to focus on the most vulnerable and underserved sections of the population. Geographic pockets have been identified and singled out for concerted action. The approach is a conscious articulation of our endeavor to tailor programmes for parts of the population which until now have been underserved; adolescents, urban poor and tribals.

The proposed study tour will provide MPs from Europe an insight on achievements and remaining gaps of the RMNCH+A approach.

**Expected outcome** 

Upon return from the study visit, participants are expected to carry out relevant follow up actions on the topics mentioned above in their respective Parliaments.

**Participants & Cost** 

6-8 European Members of Parliament are expected to take part in the study tour along with 2 EPF staff members. English will be the working language of the study tour. A good command of English is cost of expected. The therefore accommodation in hotels with good standing, and other associated expenses for Parliamentarians will be covered by the European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development.

	Programme (TBC)
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Arrival in Delhi, visit by IPPFSAR
8 <sup>th</sup> February	Direct Briefing by IPPFSAR,
	Field Visit to Agra-FPAI Clinic (6 hours road return journey).
9 <sup>th</sup> February	Flight and field visit to Eastern India (Bihar), or Southern India (Tamil Nadu).
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Return to Delhi
	Meeting at the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare,
	Meeting with the Indian Parliamentarian Forum on Population and Development,
	Media interaction,
	High Tea and Welcome
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Local Service Delivery Site Delhi,
	Interactions with Adolescent and Young Persons for understanding SRHR needs,
	Meeting with key CSOs & UN agencies
12 <sup>th</sup> February	Meeting with Health Secretary
	Final/ thank you meeting
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Departure

### **Organisers & Host**

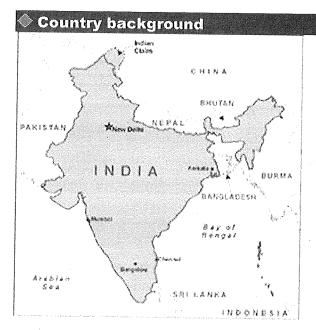
The study tour is organized by the European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development (EPF), in collaboration with the International Planned Parenthood Federation South Asia Region (IPPFSAR).

European Parliamentary Forum Population and Development (EPF) is Europe's only regional parliamentary network with exclusive focus on health and development in the Global South. EPF serves as a platform for cooperation and coordination for its 31 all-party groups in Parliaments throughout Europe to promote and defend the sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) of all individuals, to defend and advance gender equality and equity, women's empowerment, and to eliminate all forms of discrimination, coercion and violence against women and girls worldwide. For more information, please visit EPF's website: www.epfweb.org.



The **International Planned Parenthood** Federation (IPPF) is a global service provider and a leading advocate of SRHR for all. IPPF is committed to safeguarding sexual and reproductive health and rights for current and generations. In South Asia Region, IPPF works with nine member associations; Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Iran, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. Each association is rooted in the culture of its country, providing locally relevant services in a highly challenging context of extreme poverty, gender inequity, restrictive laws, socio-religious barriers, and vulnerability to natural calamities. For more information please visit IPPFSAR website: <a href="http://www.ippfsar.org">http://www.ippfsar.org</a>.





**Location & Geography** 

Located in South Asia, India is the seventh-largest country by area, the second-most populous country with over 1,2 billion people, and the most populous democracy in the world.

Bounded by the Indian Ocean on the south, the Arabian Sea on the south-west, and the Bay of Bengal on the south-east, India shares land borders with Pakistan to the west, China, Nepal, and Bhutan to the north-east, and Myanmar (Burma) and Bangladesh to the east. In the Indian Ocean, India is in the vicinity of Sri Lanka and the Maldives; in addition, India's Andaman and Nicobar Islands share a maritime border with Thailand and Indonesia.

Official name	The Republic of India
Political Organisation	Federal constitutional Republic, under parliamentary system
Head of state & government	President: Pranab Mukherjee, Prime Minister: Narendra Modi
Capital	New Delhi
Official language	Hindi: official government language English: subsidiary official language
Monetary unit	Indian rupee (INR)
Life expectancy at birth	68 years
GDP per capita	\$5,800 (2014 est.)



EPF Study Tour in India, 2011

**Development Challenges** 

With 1,2 billion people and the world's fourthlargest economy, India's recent growth and development has been one of the most significant achievements of our times. Over the six and half decades since independence, the country has agricultural landmark about а brought revolution that has transformed the nation from chronic dependence on grain imports into a global agricultural powerhouse that is now a net exporter of food. Life expectancy has more than doubled, literacy rates have quadrupled, health conditions have improved, and a sizeable middle class has emerged. India is now home to globally recognized companies in pharmaceuticals and steel and information and space technologies, and a growing voice on the international stage that is more in keeping with its enormous size and potential.

Historic changes are unfolding, unleashing a host of new opportunities to forge a 21st-century nation. India will soon have the largest and youngest workforce the world has ever seen. At the same time, the country is in the midst of a massive wave of urbanization as **some 10 million people move to towns and cities each year** in search of jobs and opportunity. It is the largest rural-urban migration of this century. The historic changes unfolding have placed the country at a unique juncture. How India develops its significant human potential and lays down new models for the growth of its burgeoning towns and cities will largely determine the shape of the future for the country and its people in the years to come.

Massive investments will be needed to create the jobs, housing, and infrastructure to meet soaring aspirations and make towns and cities more livable and green. Generating growth that lifts all boats will be key, for more than **400 million of India's people** (1/3 of the world's poor) **still live in poverty.** And, many of those who have recently

escaped poverty (53 million people between 2005-10) are still highly vulnerable to falling back into it. In fact, due to population growth, the absolute number of poor people in some of India's poorest states actually increased during the last decade.

### **Economic Overview**

The country is classified as a newly industrialized, one of the G-20 major economies, a member of economy developing and а **BRICS** approximately 7% average growth rate for the last two decades. India's economy became the world's fastest growing major economy from the last quarter of 2014, replacing China. Economic growth is projected to remain robust, above 7% for 2015-2016. India has the one of fastest growing service sectors in the world with annual growth rate of above 9% since 2001 which contributed to 57% of GDP in 2012-13. India has capitalized its economy based on its large educated Englishspeaking population to become a major exporter of IT services, BPO services, and software services. The IT industry continues to be the largest private sector employer. India is also the fourth largest start-up hub in the world with over 3100 technology start-ups in 2014-15. The agricultural sector is the largest employer in India's economy but contributes to a declining share of its GDP (17% in 2013-14). The Industry sector has held a constant share of its economic contribution (26% of GDP in 2013-14). The Indian auto industry is one of the largest in the world; India has \$600 billion worth of retail market in 2015 and one of world's fastest growing E-Commerce markets.

### **Population trends and Family Panning**

Total population	1,25 billion
Median Age	27,3
Population Growth Rate	1,22%
Population age 10-24	28%
Sex ratio at birth (men/women)	1,12
Maternal Mortality rate (per 100,000 live births)	167
Total fertility rate (children born per woman)	2.48
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	41.81
Contraceptive use among married women (15-49)	56.3%
Unmet need for family planning	21,3%
Early marriage (% girls married before 18)	22,1%
Teen(15-19) deliveries out of total deliveries	5.6%
People living with HIV/Aids ((2013 est.)	2.079.700
% Literacy male/ female (2015 est.)	81,3%/ 60,6%
Unimproved sanitation facility access (2015 est.)	60,4%
Health Expenditures of GDP (2013)	4%

SOURCE - CIA, NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION (MINISTRY OF HEALTH), UNFPA

In 1952, India launched the world first national program emphasizing family planning to the extent necessary for reducing birth rates "to stabilize the population at a level consistent with the requirement of national economy". Since then, the family planning program has evolved and the program is currently being repositioned to not only achieve population stabilization but also to promote reproductive health and reduce maternal, infant and child mortality and morbidity.



Family Planning class in tribal village, India(2011)

Although its fertility rate has declined from about 3,6 to 2,4 children in the last three decades, India is projected to become the world's most populous nation by 2028, with a population of some 1,45 billion. Now a middle-income country, India has seen significant improvements in health and education but wide inequalities persist. Maternal mortality and gender discrimination remain high. Early marriage and pregnancy contribute to excessive maternal death among women under 24. The low status of women is a factor as well, one that is reflected in an extremely skewed ratio of girls to boys. Son preference is deeply rooted in Indian culture and manifests in various ways, including sex-selective practices birth and inequitable before access educational, social and economic resources for girls.

India's **abortion** law is relatively progressive, permitting abortion for socioeconomic reasons, to protect a woman's life or mental or physical health, in cases of rape, incest or fetal impairment, or if the pregnancy resulted from contraceptive method failure. Access to abortion is contingent upon providers' willingness to perform the procedure, and women younger than 18 are legally required to have their guardian's consent.

### For More Information

http://www.unfpa.org/transparency-portal/unfpa-india#sthash.Rt08TNLw.dpuf

https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/in.html

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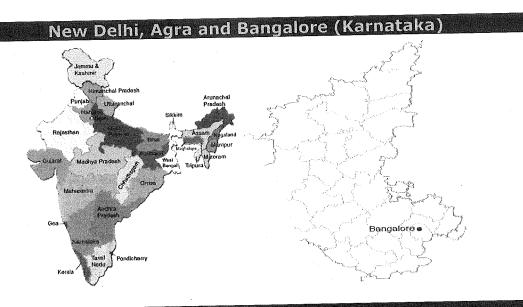


MEPs Press Conference, Women's Journalists Club, Delhi (2011)



### Parliamentary Study Tour on Reproductive, Maternal, New-born Child and Adolescent Health to India, 7-13 February 2016

### INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS



### **Background information**

### I. INTRODUCTION TO INDIA

India, officially the Republic of India, is the seventh-largest country by geographical area, the second-most populous country with over 1.2 billion people, and the most populous democracy in the world.

Home to the ancient Indus Valley Civilisation and a region of historic trade routes and vast empires, the Indian subcontinent was identified with its commercial and cultural wealth for much of its long history. Four of the world's major religions - Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism and Sikhism - originated here, while Zoroastrianism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam arrived in the first millennium AD and shaped the region's diverse culture. Gradually annexed by the British East India Company from the early 18th century and colonised by the United Kingdom from the mid-19th century, India became an independent nation in 1947 after a struggle for independence which was marked by a non-violent resistance led by Mahatma Gandhi.

India is a federal constitutional republic with a parliamentary democracy consisting of 28 states and seven union territories. A pluralistic, multilingual and multiethnic society where more

than 400 languages are spoken, India is also home to a diversity of wildlife in a variety of protected habitats.

The Indian economy is the world's eleventh largest economy by nominal GDP and the fourth largest by purchasing power parity. Since the introduction of market-based economic reforms in 1991, India has become one of the fastest growing major economies in the world; however, the country continues to face several poverty, illiteracy, corruption and public health related challenges. India is classified as a newly industrialised country and is one of the four BRIC nations. It is the world's sixth de facto recognised nuclear weapons state and has the third-largest standing armed force in the world, while its military expenditure ranks tenth in the world. India is a regional power in South Asia.

It is a founding member of the United Nations, the Non-Aligned Movement, the World Trade Organization, the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation, the East Asia Summit, the G20 and the G8+5; a member of the Commonwealth of Nations; and an observer state in the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation.

### II. Population trends in INDIA<sup>1</sup>

The annual population growth rate peaked at 2.4 per cent during the 1980s and was 1.6 per cent in 2011. The total fertility rate declined from 3.6 children per woman in 1981 to 2.6 in 2009. India is experiencing a population 'bulge' in the workingage group.

There is increasing recognition of the need to invest in the health and development of **young people**, in order to harness the benefits of this demographic dividend.

Adolescents and young people are healthier, more urbanized and better educated than those of earlier generations. However, social and economic vulnerabilities persist. Young people aged 15-24 account for one fifth of the population, and face risks related to sexual and reproductive health. There is a need to address the needs of this large, heterogeneous group.

Early marriage and childbirth are prevalent. Among women aged 20-49, the median age at first marriage is 17.2 years. Approximately one sixth of married girls aged 15-19 have already given birth or are pregnant, increasing the risk of neonatal and maternal mortality and low birth weight. High levels of anaemia are a major factor in their poor maternal health. 5. School enrolment and retention rates have increased across regions and among scheduled castes and tribes. The gender gap has narrowed, with more girls attending school. Nevertheless, high drop-out rates, especially at the secondary school level, are a major concern. Effective strategies are needed to extend sexual and reproductive health information and services to out-of-school adolescents, who are often marginalized and vulnerable. Such strategies are also needed to reduce the high adolescent fertility rate, as well as maternal mortality, sexually transmitted infections and HIV, early marriage and gender-based violence among young people.

Despite improvements in **maternal health**, the maternal mortality ratio remains high, at 212 maternal deaths per 100,000 live births (2007-2009), with large disparities among states and wealth quintiles. Four of 10 maternal deaths occur among women aged 15-24. India has made progress in increasing institutional deliveries and antenatal care. However, costeffective preventive measures are insufficient.

Only 10.5 per cent of married women aged 15-24 use **modern contraceptive** methods for spacing births or delaying first conception. Data on modern

contraceptive use among unmarried young people are not readily available, which has hampered the development of effective policies.

To provide universal access to high-quality services, the twelfth five-year plan seeks to nearly double the expenditures dedicated to health care, from 1.3 to 2.5 per cent of the gross domestic product. However, challenges persist, including a lack of human resources, poor infrastructure, fragmented information systems, and limited managerial and technical capacity in the health sector. Although initiatives such as the national rural health mission are addressing health-related issues, there is a need to increase the quality of and access to services, including life-saving strategies, such as strengthening midwifery skills.

Gender disparities persist. India ranks 129 of 146 countries in the UNDP gender inequality index. The preference for sons over daughters is evidence of gender inequality in India. The sex ratio at birth is approximately 906 girls to 1,000 boys (2007-2009); at the state level, the lowest ratio is 830 girls to 1,000 boys.

### Population at a glance: India

Total Population in	1311.1
millions in 2015	
Average rate of	1.3
population change,	
per cent 2010-2015	
Population aged 10-	28
24 per cent, 2015	
Population aged 0-14	29
per cent, 2015	
Population 15-64,	66
per cent 2015	
Population aged 65	6
and older, per cent	
2015	
Life expectancy at	
birth:	
male:	66
female	69
Total fertility rate,	2.5
per woman '	
2010-2015	

Source: UNFPA World Population Report 2015.

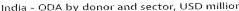
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: UNFPA Country programme for India 2013-2017

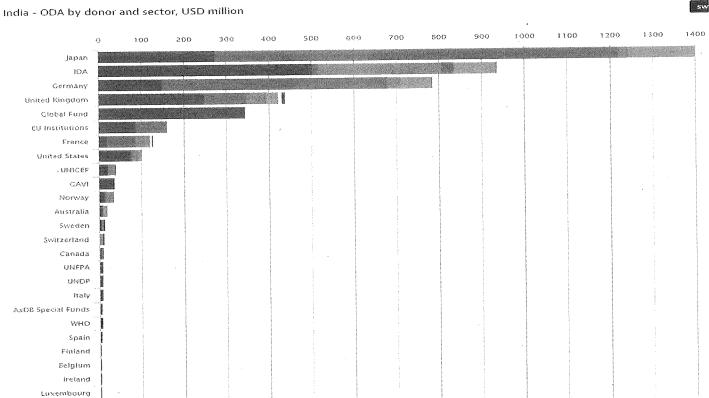
### How much ODA does India receive?

### By country:

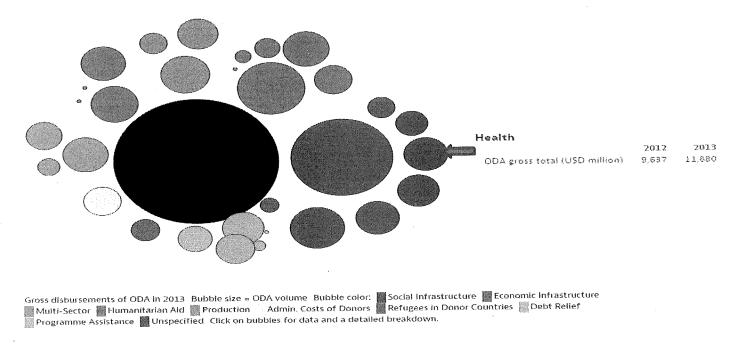
### Gross disbursements of Official Development Assistance (ODA) in 2013

Click on a chart segment to access a full list of projects.





### By sector:



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> OECD Statistics: http://www.oecd.org/statistics/datalab/oda-recipient-sector.htm

### **Information about Organizers and Hosts**

### I. ORGANIZER - THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARY FORUM ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

EPF is Europe's only parliamentary network focusing on health and development in the Global South. EPF serves as a platform for cooperation and coordination for its 33 all-party groups in Parliaments throughout Europe to promote and defend the sexual and reproductive health and rights of all individuals, to defend and advance gender equality and equity, women's empowerment, and to eliminate all forms of discrimination, coercion and violence against women. For more information, please visit EPF's website: www.epfweb.org.

### II. HOST ORGANISATION

During our stay in India, we will be hosted by the International Planned Parenthood Federation South Asian Regional Office (IPPF SARO).

The International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) is a global service provider and a leading advocate of sexual and reproductive health and rights for all. IPPF is committed to safeguarding sexual and reproductive health and rights for current and future generations.

In South Asia Region, IPPF works with nine member associations – Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Iran, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. For more information please visit IPPF SARO website:

http://www.ippfsar.org/sites/ippfsaro/

### Information about Participants

Country	Name	Function
European Parliament / Italy  * * *  * *  * *  * *  * *  * *  * *	Hon. Ignazio Corrao, MEP	Member of the European Parliament (Italy) Europe of Freedom and Direct Democracy Group  - Member of the Committee on Development  - Member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs  - Member of the Subcommittee on Human Rights
	Hon Karina Meldgaard Adsbol	Member of the Danish Parliament Danish People's Party Spokeswoman on Gender Equality  - Spokeswoman on Disabled Persons  - Member of the Gender Equality Committee  - Member of the Domestic and Social Affairs Committee  - Member of the Health Committee
Finland	Hon. Hanna Sarkkinen, MP	Member of the Parliament of Finland Left Alliance Parliamentary Group  - Member of Committee on Commerce - Member of the Committee on Development Policy
France	Hon Jean Marie TETART, MP	Member of the Parliament of France Group of the Republicans  - Member of the Committee on Economic Affairs  - Member of the Board of Directors of the French Development Agency (AFD)

Germany	Manuela Smolinski	EPF Policy Officer
		Manuela@epfweb.org
Germany	Marina Davidashvili	EPF Senior Policy Officer  marina@iepfpd.org



### **LOGISTICS NOTE**

### For the Parliamentary Study Tour on Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn Child and Adolescent Health to India, 7-13 February 2016

### Your arrival in India / New Delhi

The participants will be arriving in New Delhi at the Indira Gandhi International Airport. Hon. Corrao and Hon. Meldgaard Adsbol will be travelling on the same flight with EPF Secretariat Marina Davidashvili and Manuela Smolinski. Other participants are travelling on their own.

We will all be met at the airport by Hotel Representative with Guest's Name Placard and they will drive us to the hotel.

### Flight to Bangalore for the field trip

We will travel for one day to Bangalore to familiarise ourselves with the reproductive health situation in the South of India

Flight is as follows:

11 Feb (9W – 807) Delhi 07:05 / Bangalore 09:50 (2 hours 45 minutes) 12 Feb (9W – 7126) Bangalore 13:00 / Delhi 15:50 (2 hours 50 minutes)

### **Your Hotel**

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### New Delhi:

Hotel Vivanta by Taj Ambassador, Sujan Singh Park, Subramaniam Bharti Marg, New Delhi, Delhi 110003, India Telefoon:+91 11 6626 1000

### Bangalore:

We will intimate the Hotels Details to the Guests while they are in Delhi

### Meals

Breakfast will be served at the hotel. Most of the lunches/dinners will be organised by the host organisation/EPF. A per-diem will be provided to cover meals not foreseen in the programme.

Should you have other special dietary requirements, please let us know.

Tap water is not safe to drink. We strongly advise you to drink bottled water (always check to see that the seal is not broken) and avoid ice cubes. It is also recommended that you eat freshly cooked foods, avoid shellfish, peel all fruits and avoid fresh juices.



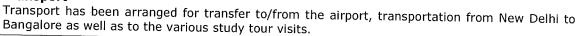
### Health:

Mosquito-borne diseases like dengue fever occur all year round. There's been an increase in the number of cases of dengue fever, including in New Delhi. You should take appropriate precautions to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes (pack protective clothing, insect repellents).

Please visit the site of UK Foreign Office for more information:

https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/india/health

### Transport h





### **Recommendations / Dress code**

Participants should wear comfortable clothing and shoes. Women should wear long pants/skirts and shirts with sleeves.

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### **Currency**

### The official currency in India is Indian Rupee

1 Euro (EUR) = 73.5 Rupee (INR)

1 Indian Rupee (INR) = 0.01356 Euros (EUR)

On arrival at the airport in India, foreigners may exchange currency at the currency exchange booths located inside the airport. These booths are usually available before you leave the customs area. Always exchange foreign currency at authorized dealers such as American express, Thomas cook outlets or banks. Insist on a currency exchange receipt. The Hotel in New Delhi also has a counter for foreign Currrency Exchange

### Miscellaneous



- The local time is IST (UTC+5:30)
- The mobile phone network uses the GSM standard
- Electricity: 220 volts 50 cycle AC

### **Climate:**



We will be visiting India during the nicest weather season: cool and dry. Temperature:

New Delhi: Highest: 24 C° Lowest 16 C° Bangalore: Highest: 33 C° Lowest 25 C°



Your contact people during this event are: Marina Davidashvili 0032 (484) 420504 and Manuela Smolinski: 0032 (484) 975538

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### **RESERVATION DETAILS**

Guest:

Number:

Mr. Ignazio Corrao

Departure Date:

11-Feb-16

Departure Details: 11-Feb-16 00:00

Drop-off Required: No

Number of Rooms: 1 Number of People: 1

Confirmation Number: 21694897

6-Feb-16 6-Feb-16 00:00

Number of

Children:

0

Arrival Date: Arrival Details:

Taj InnerCircle

No

Pickup Required: Guarantee Method:

Company Guarantee

(The card will be charged for the entire duration of stay at the time of arrival). For Special promotions, T&C apply.

### SUMMARY OF ROOM CHARGES

Room Description:

Deluxe Delight Room/Twin Bed

(Bed Type is subject to availability) Rate Booked On:

International Planned Parenthood Federation (IP

Rate Per Room:

INR 8,000.00 \* Applicable government taxes and surcharge will be

charged extra unless otherwise specified

Rate Description:

Rate Includes Complimentary Buffet Breakfast At The Coffee

Shop. Complimentary Basic Wifi Upto 2 Devices. Taxes Extra.

Total Rate:

INR 56,355.00

Special Requests:

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Comments:

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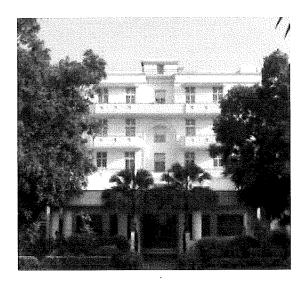
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