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UNICEF's role in Avian Influenza and Pandemic Prevention within the UN system

UNICEF is working closely with the government, UN organizations and other partners prepare itself for imminent threat of Avian Influenza as well as appropriate preparedness and response plans to respond to the emergencies of a pandemic whether in humans or animals.



UNICEF in conjunction with National Agriculture Quarantine and Inspection Authority organized a four-day consultative workshop on Avian and Pandemic Influenza at the Hideaway Hotel on 28 –31 July.

Resource agencies and organizations in various provinces presented their views on how best PNG can be prepared against Avian and Pandemic Influenza. OCHA representative, Vini Talai also made a presentation on how OCHA fits into preparedness framework. It was noted in the workshop that having a multi-sectoral approach to the planning of preparedness and response activities is important and that provincial plans should link to the existing mechanisms. The Provincial Disaster Committee (PDC) established by the Disaster Management Act is a relevant body to which the Avian and Pandemic Influenza planning could be driven. The PDCs are responsible for the drafting of disaster preparedness and response plans and Avian and Pandemic Influenza is can become a sudden onset disaster when it strikes.

Upcoming Events

Sensitizing Workshop on Avian Influenza for Journalist

10th August—Port Moresby, 29th August—Lae

Results Based Management Workshop—Change for the Better

Margaret Lokoloko and Andrew Lepani from UNDP along with 20 other participants from Samoa, Fiji Timor-Leste and Solomons attended a workshop on Results-based project management from 22-25 July 2008. The workshop was aimed at enhancing skills of officers to improve programming management, delivery, and project support to clients as well as improve reporting to partners and donors and networking between counterparts in the participating countries.

Desired outcomes of the workshop include: a broader and deeper appreciation of challenges and complexities of UN Reform, greater understanding of the role of UNDP, its vision, and new strategic plans in the changing aid environment and its impact on development, familiarize participants with core concepts of Result-based project development/ management in UNDP, empower participants by increasing their substantive knowledge of the framework of Managing for Development Results, think strategically about the results to be achieved, rather than simply looking at the projects to be managed, develop skills of applying the new knowledge through group exercises, discussions, case studies and teambuilding exercises in order to transfer the learning to others.

COMMON ADVOCACY CORNER



Each week a colleague from the UN family will talk to you on how the UN Country Team is contributing to Nation Building—John Kian—UNFPA HIV/AIDS Program Officer

UNFPA/NACS and ABG Battle Rough Seas to Raise HIV/AIDS/STI Awareness in Remote Islands (Carteret and Pororan) in Bougainville

The joint UNFPA and NACS HIV/AIDS/STI prevention Awareness program, titled; **"Tok Stret na Tok Aut long Sik AIDS"** is reaching communities that have been forgotten by government services, including civil society and donors partners groups. Last week, NACS coordinating team—Kaleaman Indistange and Martha Somoa and I, lead a team made up of members of the Bougainville Parliamentary Select Committee on HIV/AIDS and PAC to one of the remotest Islands and conducted HIV/AIDS/STI awareness.

The Carteret Islands are about 4-6 hours by sea. An hour out of Buka the team encountered extremely bad weather but managed to reached the Island after 8 hours. The team found out that they were the first group to go there to raise HIV/AIDS awareness. Workshops were conducted on each Island. During the workshops, the ABG, UNFPA and NACS team discussed issues on: Role of UNFPA on ARSH including HIV/AIDS and STI, role of leaders in response to HIV/AIDS/STI, role of communities in the HIV/AIDS response and living with PLWHIV, role of ABG in HIV/AIDS and climate change, role of NACS and PAC in HIV/AIDS prevention, condoms and its use, climate change and HIV/AIDS/STI on population, family planning and voluntary counseling and Testing.

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