

## JPFP Newsletter

Secretariat of Japan Parliamentarians Federation for Population (JPFP) Asian Population and Development Association (APDA)

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### Submission of GCPPD2023 Declaration to G20

The Asian Population and Development Association (APDA; JPFP Secretariat), Asian Forum of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (AFPPD), and the Indian Association of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (IAPPD) organized a parliamentarians' workshop with focus on youth in New Delhi, and Hon. Prof. Takemi Keizo, Chair of AFPPD and Executive Director of JPFP, addressed the opening ceremony.

Furthermore, a declaration that was adopted at the Global Conference of Parliamentarians on Population and Development Toward the 2023 G7 Hiroshima Summit (GCPPD2023) co-organized by JPFP, AFPPD and APDA in Tokyo last April was directly handed over to G20 Sherpa by Hon. Deepender Hooda, MP India and Vice-Chair of AFPPD, prior to G20 Summit in September.



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#### **Contribution to the ICPD Programme of Action**

For the past half century, JPFP has played a leading role in the field of population and development issues, through pioneering initiatives. For one, the "International Conference of Parliamentarians on Population and Development" was held on 3-4 September 1994 under the leadership of Japan, prior to the UN-organized "International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD, Cairo Conference)" on 5-13 September 1994.

Approximately 300 parliamentarians from more than 100 countries who participated in the conference adopted a <u>declaration</u> as an outcome and submitted it to the ICPD. The draft of the declaration was prepared by JPFP/APDA. At that time, "it was a milestone that the parliamentarians joined together in global solidarity and gave a great impetus to the governments by holding the largest strategic conference in history to prevent population explosion for humanity and the planet, to implement sustainable development in harmony with the global environment, and to secure safe food and water without energy pollution[1]".

At the ICPD on 8 September, as Secretary General of the Parliamentarians' Conference, Hon. Sakurai Shin (the then AFPPD Chair and JPFP Executive Director) presented the Declaration[2] and strongly requested that its basic concepts be reflected in the Programme of Action to be adopted at the ICPD. It was ultimately reflected in the Preamble and Principles of the ICPD Programme of Actions, which became the foundation for the SDGs.



[1]APDA, 1995, Meeting Minutes of the International Conference of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (ICPD) (Japanese). P.4

https://www.apda.jp/pdf/p05 resource/resource series 1995 1 jp.pdf

[2] APDA, 2002, "20th Anniversary Book". The Nippon Foundation Library: <u>日本財団図書館(電子図書館)</u> 興四海野春風?2002 20年の歩み? (zaidan.info)

# Regional parliamentarian workshop on low fertility and ageing short video clip

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