



# JPFP Newsletter

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## AFPPD Annual Conference Held in Bali

On 7-9 October, the Asian Forum of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (AFPPD) and Asian Population and Development Association (APDA) organized the AFPPD Annual Conference: *Addressing Three Pillars and Beyond ICPD30* in Bali, Indonesia. This event was co-hosted by the Indonesia Forum of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (IFPPD) and National Population and Family Planning Board (BKKBN) of Indonesia, supported by the Japan Trust Fund (JTF), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) and Family Planning 2030 (FP2030), and was attended by over 60 participants including parliamentarians, government officials, representatives from international organizations, NGOs and experts from 19 Asia and Pacific countries.

At the opening, Hon. Prof. Takemi Keizo, MP Japan and Chair of AFPPD, welcomed the participants and stressed the need to actively invest in women, girls and youth, ensure access to health and education, and promote entrepreneurship among women and young people in light of the recent demographic trends in the Asia-Pacific region. He concluded his address by emphasizing that AFPPD's role in achieving the SDGs is more important than ever. On behalf of IPPF, Ms. Fukuda Tomoko, ESEAOR Regional Director, made remarks, noting that partnerships are key to promoting sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), protecting women and youth from violence and discrimination, and building vibrant ageing society that respects the dignity of older persons.

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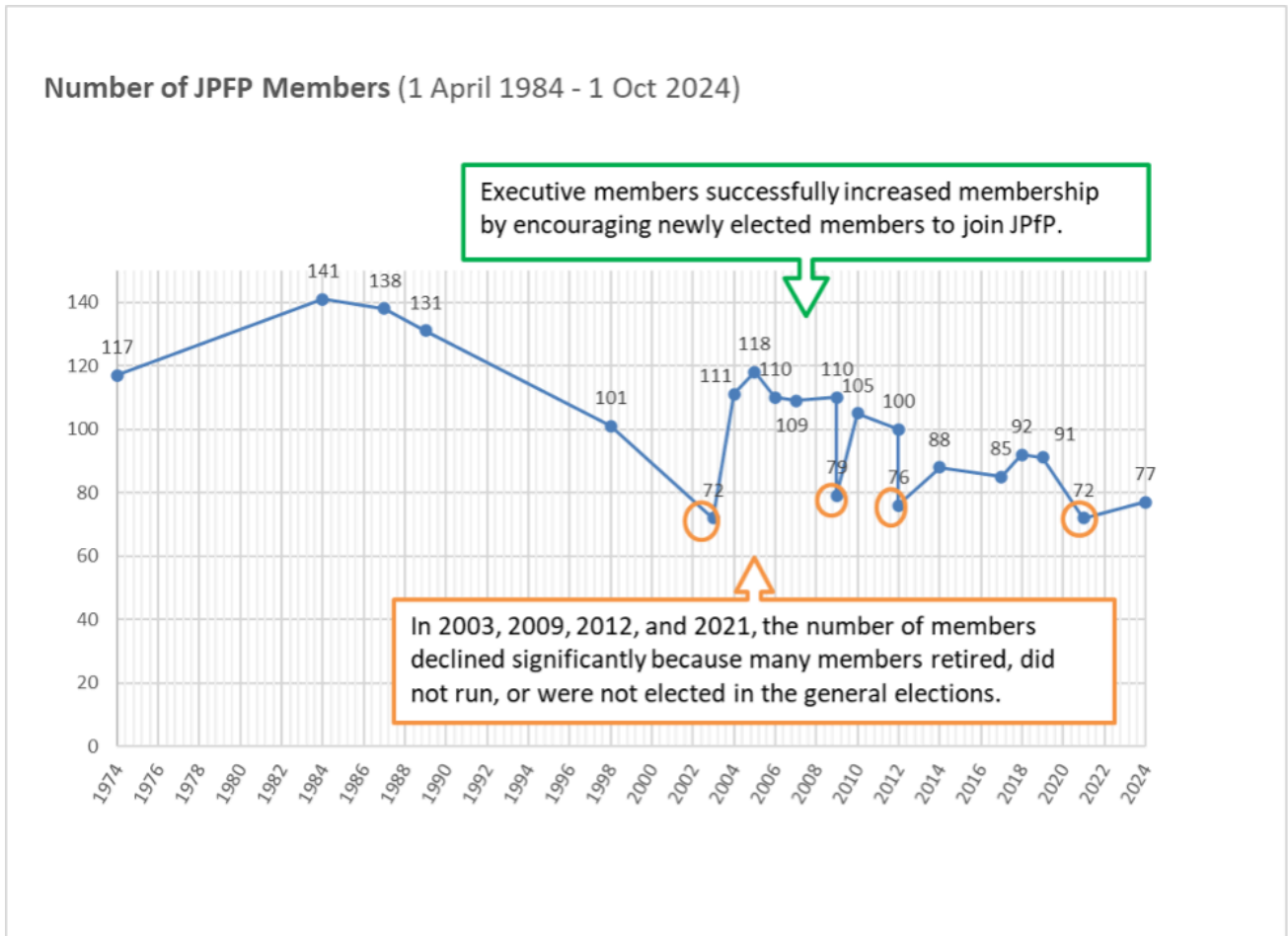
## Support for Parliamentarians' Activities on Population and Development in the Arab Region

The Asian Population and Development Association (APDA; JFPF Secretariat) and Forum of Arab Parliamentarians on Population and Development (FAPPD) conducted programmes to promote parliamentary activities on population and development issues in Morocco and Egypt, with the support of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the Japan Trust Fund (JTF). In Rabat, Morocco, on September 23-24, the FAPPD delegation made study visits to the Speaker of the Moroccan House of Representatives; Parliamentary Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation; Minister of Solidarity, Social Integration and Family; Ministry of Youth, Culture, and Communication of Morocco; Economic, Social, and Environmental Council; National Human Rights Council; and Federation of Moroccan Women. They discussed how they could share knowledge and expertise on legislative processes in the field of population and development. In Cairo, Egypt, on 12 October, six Egyptian parliamentary committees held a meeting targeted for Egyptian parliamentarians focusing on the rights of persons with disabilities and the elderly. As a way forward, they discussed leveraging innovation and technology for people with disabilities and older persons to participate in the workforce and society and creating legislative, enabling environment for this purpose. FAPPD and the Egyptian parliamentarians expressed their deep appreciation for the consistent support from the Government of Japan in resolving population and development issues in the region.

Read [more](#) about Arab Parliamentarians' Study Visit on Population and Development in Morocco

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## Number of JPFP members (1974-2024)



### JPFP

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