

VIET NAM GOVERNMENT's COMMITMENTS TO FP2030

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1. VIET NAM GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT TO THE VISION TO 2030

The goal of the Viet Nam Government's Family Planning Program is to ensure the availability, readiness, diversity, safety, convenience and timely provision of quality and equitable family planning services to meet the increasing demands of the population and to reduce unmet needs for family planning among unmarried adolescents, young people and directly contribute to the success of Viet Nam's Population Strategy towards 2030.

2. COMMITMENT OBJECTIVES

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMMES

Commitment Objective 1	Improve access to modern contraceptive services
Objective Statement	By 2030, 100% women in reproductive age will have access to modern contraceptives.
Timeline	By 2030
Rationale	The number of women in reproductive age continues to rise and is expected to reach 26 million by 2030. Maintaining a high rate of modern contraception use among married couples and individuals creates enormous pressure on the demands for family planning services in the coming years. Viet Nam is one of the countries severely affected by climate change. Therefore, integration of modern contraceptives for

	couples and individuals in the national strategies on natural disaster and climate change is necessary.
Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improve mechanisms, policies, procedures, regulations, and technical standards on family planning. - Integration of family planning into national strategies and policies on capacity building and sustainable responses to mitigate negative impacts of natural disasters and climate change. - Implement behavior change communication for married couples and individuals. - Develop and apply internet-based family planning service provision network. - Develop the network for family planning services, including public, private and social and community based organizations for married couples and individuals, especially in humanitarian situations (for example, natural disasters and epidemical surges). - Train family planning providers from public, private and social and community based sectors (including both clinical settings and pharmacies). - Promote socialization and resources mobilization, active participation of communities, concerned social organizations and other relating organizations for family planning. - Pilot and roll out new modern technologies to improve the quality of family planning services.
Commitment Objective 2	Reduce unwanted pregnancy among adolescents and youths
Objective Statement	Reduce unwanted pregnancies by two-thirds among adolescents and youth by 2030
Timeline	By 2030

Rationale	<p>According to the 2021 survey's results of General Statistics Office on sustainable development goals for children and women, in Viet Nam, the unmet need for modern contraception among unmarried sexually active female adolescents, youths aged 15 to 24 is 40.7%, 4 times higher than that of married couples. Nevertheless, behavior change communication on family planning is not appropriate in terms of contents and approaches, especially among ethnic minorities, migrant workers in industrial zones, adolescents, youths.</p>
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Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improve data collection measuring on contraceptive use among adolescents and young people, especially amongst vulnerable populations to have quality evidence to mobilize resources and plan and organize family planning service delivery to them. - In collaboration with Ministry of Education and Training, renovate contents and approaches in educating population, sexual reproductive health, gender equality, and comprehensive sexuality education appropriate to different grades and age groups. - Expand different forms of provision of friendly use contraceptive commodities and family planning services at public and private health facilities, particularly for adolescents and young clients. - Pilot youth friendly family planning services appropriate for different age groups and localities, focusing on rural areas, ethnic minority areas and mountainous areas with special attention to strengthened participation of adolescents and youths in design and implementation of the programmes to ensure their needs on family planning are properly met. - Improve quality of counselling services before, during, and after the use of family planning services at health settings. - Capacity building for service providers on reproductive health and family planning services for youth and adolescents. - Conduct studies and evaluations and education information communication activities to raise awareness and change behavior of parents, families and communities about needs on family planning among adolescents and youths.
Commitment Objective 3	Strengthen the quality of family planning services
Objective Statement	75% family planning facilities (both public and private) meet quality standard requirements by 2025, and 90% by 2030.

Timeline	By 2030
Rationale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Family planning clinics lack of facilities, equipment, availability and readiness of contraceptive commodities, essential drugs, medical supplies and technical support from higher levels. The proportion of commune health centres which has equipment for IUD insertion and removal accounted for only 48.9%. - Discontinuation of contraceptive use is very high, particularly short-term methods. The discontinuation rate for injectables is 58.5%, for condom is 42.5%. This for IUD is 21%. Among clients who discontinuously use contraceptives, approximately 32.2% have health concerns; about 17.7% have concerns about side effects, about 9.8% due to the failure of the used contraceptive methods.
Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthen the network of family planning service at all levels; invest and upgrade facilities and equipment for family planning service delivery points, with special priorities for mountainous and ethnic minority areas and industrial zones where a large number of migrant workers reside. - Improve technical capacity of family planning service providers at various sectors and levels. - Review, adjust, or repeal irrelevant regulations on the provision of quality contraceptives and family planning service; - Pilot and roll-out new technologies to improve the quality and informed choice of available family planning services - Monitor and supervise the implementation of family planning regulations through the development of rapid assessment toolkits on the quality of family planning services at all levels and toolkits on supportive supervision of the performance of population collaborators and toolkits on quality assessment of contraceptive commodities and family planning service delivery points, including respectful attitudes and practices to client's choices and client's

	satisfaction to provided services in compliance to guidance of World Health Organization (WHO) and United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).
Commitment Objective 4	Strengthen the provision of non-clinical contraceptives
Objective Statement	95% commune health centres are able to provide non-clinical contraceptives through the population collaborators and village health workers and reach the target 100% by 2030.
Timeline	By 2030
Rationale	The country still has 2,799 communes and 258 districts of 27 provinces/cities located in disadvantages areas, mainly in the Northern Mountain, the Northern Central and Highland regions.
Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Apply Information and Communication Technology in provision of family planning services. - Pilot service delivery models appropriate for each target groups and locations.
Commitment Objective 5	Strengthen the provision of clinical family planning services at the commune and district levels
Objective Statement	At least 95% of districts and communes will have health facilities providing clinical family planning services by 2025 and reach 100% by 2030
Timeline	By 2030
Rationale	In disadvantages areas, high or exceptionally high fertility rates will have a direct impact on the improvement of

	maternal and child health, the quality of life of people hinder socio-economic growth, equity and equality and sustainable development.
Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthen the network of family planning service at all sectors and levels; invest and upgrade facilities and equipment for family planning service delivery points. - Improve technical capacity of service providers at district and commune levels. - Apply Information and Communication Technology in provision of family planning services. - Enhance the quality of the Logistics Management Information System for contraceptives and family planning services.
Commitment Objective 6	Strengthen Information, Education and Communication activities to mobilize people to accept and use family planning services and contraception.
Objective Statement	At least 95% of communes regularly organize Information, Education and Communication activities to mobilize people to accept and use family planning services and contraception as well as fully understand negative consequences of abortion. This target will be maintained until 2030.
Timeline	By 2030
Rationale	One of the factors contributing to the discontinuation of contraceptive use is lack of sufficient knowledge of correct use of contraceptives: 37.8% clients do not receive counseling before the use of contraceptives while only 56.3% clients fully understand the correct use of current contraceptive methods. Socio-cultural factors also contribute to the discontinuation of contraceptive use.

Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Diversify forms of Information, Education and Communication with special focus on mass media to ensure communication products are appropriate to specific needs of different regions and localities. - Increase the application of modern technologies (Internet, social networks) in Information, Education and Communication and advocacy activities on family planning through improved interaction between providers and users including client feedback to ensure demands of quality family planning services of the populations are satisfied. - Integrate communication activities of other programmes and projects. - Strengthen health education and counselling to married couples and individuals so that they can proactively and voluntarily use family planning services.
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FINANCIAL OBJECTIVES

Financial Commitment Objective:	Ensure the resources for provision of quality family planning services
Objective Statement	Ensure the necessary resources for provision of family planning services to general population with special priorities for disadvantaged groups.
Timeline	By 2030
Rationale	The country resources needed to provide quality family planning services to people, especially disadvantaged groups, are limited and scattered.
Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure adequate resources for provision of family planning information and services for disadvantaged groups, including adolescents/youth, people with disabilities, the poor, near-

	<p>poor, ethnic minorities, difficult-to-reach people and other groups, including the following budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Central budget is the basic resource allocated in the state budget expenditure estimates for agencies and organizations assigned to perform at the central level, including targeted support resources for localities for implementing policies for the disadvantaged people. + Local budget is the main source from the provincial income to ensure funding for local tasks and activities, including local policies for specific vulnerable people. + Funds for international support and other lawful capital sources. - Prioritize resources for strengthening family planning service network for regions and population groups negatively impacted by natural disasters, epidemics, or climate change to ensure availability of family planning services at primary health care level during humanitarian situations. - Prioritize resources to strengthen the service delivery system to implement state policies to meet essential needs for family planning of the general population, with special priorities given to vulnerable groups and people at disadvantaged areas to ensure the availability of family planning services at the grassroots level. - Ensure adequate resources to improve and maintain the quality of family planning services through developing technical guidelines, providing medical equipment to service delivery points, and training family planning service providers. - Promote socialization (i.e. privatization and community participation) in provision of family planning services; create enabling environment for organizations and individuals to participate in the national family planning programs; mobilize the entire health and population systems to participate in the program according to assigned functions and responsibilities; prioritize resources to ensure continuing operations of family
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	<p>planning networks at the grassroots level and at localities with difficult conditions and high fertility.</p> <p>- Mobilize international resources to ensure the achievement of the objectives of the Commitment.</p>
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3. CONSULTATION PROCESS FOR MAKING COMMITMENT

Viet Nam Government's FP2030 Commitment was prepared by the Ministry of Health based on online consultations with sub-national agencies on family planning, the United Nations Population Fund, and social and community based organizations active in family planning, such as the Centre for Creative Initiatives in Health and Population and the Viet Nam Family Planning Association. In addition, youth representatives were also involved in the process of drafting this commitment. To complete the draft Commitment, the Ministry of Health has consulted in writing with the Ministries: Foreign Affairs, Finance, Planning and Investment, Justice, Home Affairs and relevant ministries and agencies.

4. MONITORING METHOD FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMITMENT

4.1. The country's **accountability approach** for FP2030 commitments

- Annually report on the implementation of the national program on improving quality of family planning service by 2030 based on the official reporting systems including Health Management Information System, Logistic Information Management System and population reports. Updated data from studies undertaken by the General Statistics Office, Ministry of Health and Viet Nam Population Authority, will be also used to monitor the implementation of the programme.
- Monitor the implementation of the program at sub-national levels and amongst vulnerable groups in collaboration with social and community based organizations and youth representatives.
- Organize coordination meetings with the participation of functional agencies under the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Planning and Investment, the Ministry of Education and Training, the Ministry of Home Affairs (Youth Affairs Department), agencies and organizations relating on natural disasters and climate change management at national and sub-national levels, provinces, research institutions, social and community-based organizations, the private sector and donors to evaluate the implementation of the national commitments as well as mobilize resources for the national family planning programme.

4.2. The country process for annually (or more frequently) reviewing data on progress and sharing that data with partners.

- Use annual reports from the health and population statistical systems as well as data from Health Information Management System and Logistic Information Management System to review the progress of the national family planning programme and share it with partners.

4.3. Remedial actions to be taken at the country level if there is lack of progress or if there are outright violations of sexual and reproductive health and rights

- Organize coordination meetings with the participation of functional bodies under Ministry of Health, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Planning and Investment, Ministry of Education and Training, Ministry of Home Affairs (Youth Affairs Department), Organizations and agencies responsible for management of natural disasters and climate change, provinces, research institutions, social and community based organizations, and the private sector to evaluate the implementation of the national family planning programme in order to find measures and solutions to overcome obstacles (if any).

4.4. Describe how the above accountability approach will be funded

Resources of Viet Nam Population Authority, Ministry of Health will be used to monitor the implementation of the national family planning programme

4.5. Please define technical assistance needed to fully implement the above accountability approach

The United Nations Population Fund and other international organizations, social and community based organizations will provide technical assistance to Viet Nam Population Authority when required.

4.6. Any additional information

None

5. TIMELINE FOR PREPARING TO LAUNCH THE COMMITMENT

Time for preparing: November 2021

Consultation: January 2022 to March 2024

Appraisal and Approval: January 2025

Dissemination: Q1/2025

Approved by Minister of Health 



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