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Rotarian Action Groups Annual Report Form

Each Rotarian Action Group Chair must fill out this report and submit it to RI World Headquarters no later than **1 October** each year. Groups that do not submit an annual report by this deadline may be subject to suspension and/or termination by the RI Board of Directors.

Rotarian Action Groups are encouraged to fill this form out electronically and e-mail it to actiongroups@rotary.org. Please type to ensure accuracy.

Excluding the financial report in section 5, the information in this report may be shared with Rotarians for informational purposes and publicity.

1. General information (REQUIRED)

Official RAG name:	Rotarian Action Group for Population & Development(RFPD)	
Web site address:	www.ripfd.org	
Social media:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facebook <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Twitter <input type="checkbox"/> LinkedIn <input type="checkbox"/> Other Facebook: facebook.com/RFPD.HQ ; Twitter: rfpd@rfpd@rfpd_hq	
Name of primary contact officer:	Ingar Brueggemann, Chairperson	
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Cost of individual annual membership dues:	\$25	If there are no dues, please check this box <input type="checkbox"/>
Cost of individual lifetime membership dues	\$100	If not applicable, please check this box <input type="checkbox"/>
Is the RAG incorporated?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

2. Report on RAG Membership and Performance Standards (REQUIRED)

In order to maintain their status, Rotarian Action Groups must:

- maintain a membership of at least 25 individuals representing at least 5 countries and 3 zones;
- regularly collaborate with clubs, districts, and multidistricts on international service projects in their area of specialty;
- distribute a print or electronic newsletter to all of its members at least once per year, with a copy to RI

Please answer the following questions:

How many active members does your group have?	Approximately 20,000
How many members are Rotarians?	Approximately 18,500
How many are family members of Rotarians?	Approx. 900 (Inner wheel members in Germany)
<p>Please indicate whether the following groups are represented in your membership by checking the appropriate boxes and provide the number of members per category, if known</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Interactors (current or former) type here</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peace Fellows (current or former) type here</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRF Grant Scholars (any, current or former) type here</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vocational Training Team participants (current or former) type here</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Group Study Exchange participants type here</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe) About 600 Rotaractors</p>	
How many countries are represented in your group's membership?	RFPD has representatives in 75 countries
How many RI Zones are represented in your group's membership?	25
Has your group regularly collaborated with clubs, districts, and/or multidistricts on international service projects during the past Rotary year?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By checking this box, I confirm that our group has met this requirement.* <i>* Please provide further details in the next section of the report.</i>
Has your group distributed one or more newsletters to its membership in the past Rotary year?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By checking this box, I confirm that our group has met this requirement.* <i>* Please send a copy of all newsletters distributed during the past year to actiongroups@rotary.org if you have not done so already.</i>

3. Annual report of RAG activities (REQUIRED)

Please describe in detail the three most significant international service projects that your group has collaborated on during the past Rotary year.

Project 1

Project Name	Rotary Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Obstetric Quality Assurance (OQA) Program
Club/District partner(s)	Districts 9125 and 9140 (Nigeria), RC Trans Ekulu (Nigeria) RC Bottrop-Wittrigen (Germany), RC Bielefeld-Süd (Germany), RC Enns (Austria) (together with RCs Schwalmstadt, Baden, Liezen, Braunau, Freistadt, Gmunden), Districts 1870, 1900 and 1820 (Germany), 1910 and 1920 (Austria)
Other organizations involved	Co-funding organizations: German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), German Else Kröner-Fresenius-Stiftung Project partner in Enugu: CIDJAP (Catholic Institute for Development Justice And Peace) Donations in kind: ICA Foundation (Bayer Healthcare), BASF, Birthing Kit Foundation Australia
Project description	<p>The Rotary MCH OQA Program is a comprehensive approach in the area of focus 'Maternal and Child Health' aiming at a sustainable reduction of maternal and perinatal morbidity and mortality in Nigeria. The MCH OQA Program started with a pilot project in ten hospitals in two states of Nigeria (2005-2010) and has been scaled up twice so far to a total of 25 hospitals in five states - Kano, Kaduna, FCT Abuja and Ondo (2012-2015) as well as Enugu (2013-2015).</p> <p>Overall goal of the program: Inclusion of the Rotary MCH OQA model to reduce maternal and newborn mortality into the states' health systems.</p> <p>Project goals of the two scaling up projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scaling up/Replication of the pilot project (2005-2010) in the states of FCT Abuja and Ondo (2012-2015) and Enugu State (2013-2015), Nigeria. - Reduction of maternal and perinatal mortality and morbidity through introduction of quality assurance in obstetrics in 25 selected rural hospitals in the states of Kano, Kaduna, FCT Abuja, Ondo and Enugu. - Increasing awareness for reproductive health and rights including family planning. <p>Content/project measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness campaign ("Community Dialogues") to inform the population about sexual and reproductive health and rights. • Introduction of quality assurance in obstetrics in selected hospitals, improving the quality of structure, process and outcome. • Documentation of obstetric data in all selected hospitals, monthly collection of data and statistical analysis (publication of results in semiannual hospitals reports). • Conducting "Review Meetings" for capacity building and know-how transfer among the doctors and midwives involved (train-the-trainer workshops), benchmarking and elimination of deficits in the quality of care. • Distribution of clean birth kits and mosquito nets to Traditional Birth Attendants (TBAs). • Integration of traditional/religious leaders, (local) governments and other stakeholders.

	The Ministries of Health (MoH) of the five states committed themselves in a memorandum of understanding to continue the OQA program after the termination of the projects, to provide needed medical equipment to the public hospitals and to expand the OQA system to additional hospitals/obstetric departments in their states. It is planned to promote an additional geographical extension of the MCH OQA program in the southwest of Nigeria (Lagos, Oyo and Ogun states) and to support the integration of the Rotary model into the WHO Maternal Death Surveillance and Response (MDSR) program, which will be included in state and national health policies.
Project location	States of Kano, Kaduna, FCT Abuja, Ondo and Enugu, Nigeria
Project budget (if applicable)	~ 900,000 EURO / 1,000,000 US\$
Is the project complete?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Project 2

Project Name	Postpartum and Post Miscarriage Family Planning in Pakistan
Club/District partner(s)	RC Karachi Cosmopolitan (Pakistan), RC Ludwigshafen-Rheinschanze (Germany) District 3271 (Pakistan) and 1860 (Germany)
Other organizations involved	Association for Mothers and Newborns (AMAN), Pakistan
Project description	<p>The objectives of this global grant project are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training of student midwives and Skilled Birth Attendants (SBAs) at the Gizri Maternity Hospital (GMH) in family planning counseling and method provision, and proficiency in providing emergency obstetric care; 2. Provision of Family Planning (FP) services to at least 30 percent of women who deliver [Postpartum Family Planning (PPFP)] or undergo management of incomplete miscarriage in the selected hospital. <p>The aim of the project is to enhance contraceptive uptake from the baseline 5.5% (2013) to 30% among women delivering in the hospital or undergoing management for incomplete miscarriage. To achieve this, doctors and midwives at the GMH would be trained in providing family planning counselling and a suitable/effective FP method to women before their discharge from hospital. If appropriate, a long-acting reversible FP method (such as an intra-uterine contraception device (IUCD), implanon or tubal ligation (TL)) should be the preferred choice. Nevertheless, short-acting/temporary methods are also offered and provided. In addition, the quality of emergency care during pregnancy, labour and after delivery is improved through training, which is conducted by the project partner organization AMAN (Association of Mothers and Newborns), a non-governmental organisation.</p> <p>Direct beneficiaries of the project are about 3,500 women, who seek care in the selected hospital with regard to antenatal care, delivery and miscarriage. In addition to these patients the health personnel working in the hospital (15 doctors, 7 nurse midwives, 2 nursing assistants) as well as the student midwives (currently 31) undergoing training in the attached midwifery school also directly benefit from the project, since they will be trained in PPFP and comprehensive Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (EmONC), thereby enabled to provide better health care services and gaining additional skills and knowledge.</p>
Project location	Gizri Maternity Hospital located at the outskirts of Defence Housing Authority, Karachi, Pakistan
Project budget (if applicable)	38,250 US\$

Is the project complete?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Project 3

Project Name	Rotary - Saheli Vocational Training Centers
Club/District partner(s)	District 3250 and 2980
Other organizations involved	
Project description	<p>During 2014-15, the following new Saheli centers were established in RI District 3250: Bokaro, Bhagalpur, Hazaribagh and Bihar Sharif. The centers are working with two more new disciplines – Sanitary Napkins making and Biodegradable bags making.</p> <p>The following are centers which are still operating during 2014-15, showing the long term sustainability of the Saheli project. Some of the projects were started in 2003 RI D 3250: Aurangabad * Buxar * Bettiah * Chapra * Chas * Dhanbad * Gaya * Gaya City * Garwha * Giridih * Jamshedpur * Jamshedpur Steel City * Jamshedpur West * Koderma* Madhupur * Motihari Lake Town * Nawada * Patna * Patna City Patna Midtown * Patna Shakti * Patna West * Ramgarh * Ranchi South * RID 2980: Gorimedu * Ayothiyapattinam * Vinayagampatti * Vellalapatti * Poyyundarkottai (Thanjavur)* Dharmapuram (Mayiladuthurai)</p> <p>Vocational education included training to become a clinical lab technician, training in use of computers to become employed in an office setting which could require accounting knowledge and other secretarial duties, and tailoring classes so graduates could become employed in the clothing construction industry and for contracts within the home. Qualified and licensed teachers were employed for these classes. In addition, all students participated in Maternal and Child Health classes organized and staffed by various Rotary Clubs in the communities where the centers are located. The volunteer instructors are doctors and other health professionals. These classes covered family planning, reproductive health, child spacing, prenatal and early childhood nutrition.</p> <p>The Cooperating organizations are keeping records on the students following their education at centers to determine the number of women/girls employed in the area of training, the number who are self employed in the area of their training, information regarding family health and use of education regarding nutritional and reproduction, and their family status - economically and physical health.</p>
Project location	Gorimedu, Vinayakampatti, Ayothiyapattinam and Vellalapatti in Salem District; Poyyundarkottai in Thanjavur District; Dahrmapuram, Mayiladuthural Taluk in Nagappattiman District. All in India.
Project budget (if applicable)	52,260 US\$
Is the project complete?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Other success stories and updates can be found at:

www.rifpd.org (general website for RFPD) and

www.maternal-health.org (specific website of RFPD for the Rotary Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Obstetric Quality Assurance (OQA) Program)

4. Annual report of RAG partnerships (REQUIRED)

Please list all organizations with which your group has a formal, written* partnership agreement.

** Formalized by a Memorandum of Understanding, Memorandum of Cooperation, or similar written agreement.
Please do not include Rotary clubs or districts.*

RFPD submitted a commitment to the UN "Every Woman, Every Child"-Program, which was again published in the 2013 list of commitments in support of the 'UN Global Strategy for Women's and Children's Health'. Our continued commitment was again published in 2014. In September 2015, we renewed our commitment to the new/updated 'Global Strategy for Women's, Children's, and Adolescents' Health' and outlined how RFPD strengthens the health system in Nigeria.

RFPD continues to have cooperative relationships with the WHO/The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH), Geneva, The Population Institute - Washington, D.C., USA, and the Population Media Center, Vermont, USA.

Memorandum of Understanding with the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) agreeing on pooling efforts to promote the improvement of maternal and newborn health through advocacy and projects.

Memorandum of Understanding with SOGON (Society of Gynaecology and Obstetrics of Nigeria) as a partner for the implementation of the project "Inclusion of Obstetric Quality Assurance into the Nigerian Health System" (GG1532510). SOGON will support the capacity building activities, mentor/supervise trained health workers, provide clinical services/interventions at project facilities and assist in the implementation of MPDSR (Maternal and Perinatal Death Surveillance and Response) including quality assurance in obstetrics.

Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministries of Health in the states of Kano, Kaduna, FCT Abuja and Ondo, Nigeria.

Agreement between the Ministry of Health in Enugu State and the RC of Trans Ekulu, Nigeria, in cooperation with RFPD: the MoH Enugu commits itself to continue the Rotary MCH project in the five project hospitals, to stepwise include other public hospitals in Enugu State into the Rotary model of quality assurance in obstetrics and incorporate Maternal Death Surveillance and Response (MDSR) including quality assurance in their health policies.

Memorandum of Understanding with CIDJAP (Catholic Institute for Development, Justice and Peace), Enugu, Nigeria.

5. Annual report of RAG finances (REQUIRED)

Please summarize your group's financial activity during the past Rotary year, indicating revenues, expenditures, and a statement of funds on hand as of the end of the Rotary year.

Total revenues during Rotary year	14340
Total expenditures during Rotary year	44279
Funds on hand at the end of Rotary year	20946

If your group has annual gross receipts or expenditures of more than US\$25,000 or equivalent, you are required to provide an annual financial statement and report that has been independently reviewed by a qualified accountant or by an action group audit committee. **Please attach these materials separately.**

6. Additional information and photographs (optional)

Rotarian Action Groups are encouraged to share any success stories, promotional materials, and/or high resolution electronic photos with RI staff. These materials may be considered for use in one of Rotary's publications or on www.rotary.org. Please attach any such materials separately.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this request. Please return to RI staff via email by **1 October** using the contact information below.

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