

FAMILY PLANNING 2020

COUNTRY ACTION: OPPORTUNITIES, CHALLENGES, AND PRIORITIES



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OPPORTUNITIES

- Strong political commitment
- High national mCPR
- Strong national family planning (FP) programme,
- Independent national FP coordinating body (ZNFPC) under MoHCC
- Community workers focusing mainly on FP
- New national FP strategy
- CIP development in progress
- New contraceptives technologies

CHALLENGES

- Resource constraints
 - Commodities
 - Programme
- Method mix is skewed to short acting methods
- High unmet need for young people
- Inequitable coverage of FP program
 - Focus on few geographies
 - Focus on young people
 - Focus on HIV positive women
- Integration of FP program in RMNCAH program, including HIV/AIDS program

PRIORITIES

- Launch of FP Strategy and costed implementation plan (CIP)
- Mobilizing more resources for FP commodities and program as per the CIP
- Strengthening national FP coordination mechanisms
- Expansion of method mix - Implants, PPIUCD/IUCD, different brands of OCPs
- Improving access to SRH services, including contraception to young people through Youth Friendly Health Service (YFHS) and Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE)