Employer-Based Approach to Increase Support for and Provision of LA/PMs in India

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Reach Men at the Workplace to Promote FP and LA/PMs

- Family planning initiative in Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh:
 - Builds on best practices for company-based health care initiatives.
 - Tests model focusing on increasing sustained access to and use of FP, especially LA/PMs.
 - IUCD, female sterilization, and vasectomy.







Company's Active Participation and Inputs Required

- Recruited small and mediumsized businesses from various sectors in Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh
- Company inputs
 - Providing venue and allowing participation during working hours
 - Covering time off for employees
 - Designating a peer health coordinator
 - Placing program posters in highly visible locations
 - Staffed information desk











Key Inputs from Both the Company and RESPOND

- 1. Health talks by RESPOND
- Health coordinator training
- Health desks: One-on-one information sessions with peers
- Print materials: LA/PM posters and leaflets
- Clinic facility referrals within geographic catchment areas of each business



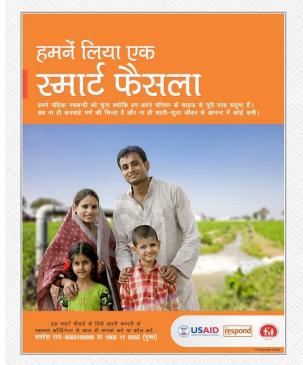




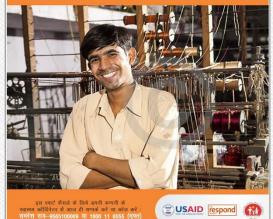




LA/PM Print Materials



मैने लिया एक रमार्ट फैसला



परिवार नियोजन के अल्पकालीन अस्थाई उपाय

📕 पुरुष कंडोम

पुरुष कंडोम इकलीता ऐसा तरीका है जो कि न सिर्फ अनवाहे गर्भ की चिन्ता से मुक्ति दिलाता है बल्कि साध ही एच.आई.वी या अन्य यौन संकामक रोगों से भी बचाव करता है।



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के लिये महिलायें नियत समय पर रोज लेतीं हैं।

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ये भी हार्मोन आधारित तरीका है। जो कि 3 सहीने तक प्रशावी होता है। इन्हें अन्य महिलाओं के अलावा स्तनपान करा रही महिलायें भी इस्तेमाल कर सकती हैं।

परिवार नियोजन के दीर्घकालीन अस्थाई उपाय

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आई.यू.डी. एक छोटा, नरम प्लास्टिक का बना उपाय होता है जो कि किसी प्रशिक्षित स्वास्थकर्मी द्वारा महिला के गर्भाशय के अन्दर डाला जाता है। यह उन महिलाओं के लिये पूरी तरह सुरक्षित तथा उपयुक्त गर्मनिरोधक है जो अपने बच्चों में अन्तर चाहती हैं या लम्बे समय तक अगला बच्चा नहीं चाहती हैं या और बच्चा नहीं चाहती।

- यह सुरक्षित और बहुत प्रभावी है। • इसे कम या अधिक समय के लिये
- भी प्रयोग किया जा सकता है। यह दो प्रकार के उपलब्ध हैं - एक 10 सालों तक प्रमावी है व दूसरा 5 सालों तक।
- इसे किसी भी समय हटाया जा सकता है तथा महिलाएं इसे हटाने के बाद पुनः गर्भ घारण कर सकती
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महिला के लिये स्थाई उपाय : महिला नसबन्दी

महिला नसबन्दी एक सरल प्रक्रिया है जिसे प्रशिक्षत चिकित्सक द्वारा किया जाता है। इसमें अण्डे ले जाने वाली नालियों को बन्द कर दिया जाता है।

- यह गर्भ को रोकने का एक स्थाई तथा बहुत ही प्रभावी
- यह महिला के वज़न तथा शारीरिक ताकत को किसी तरह से प्रभावित नहीं करता। महिला पहले की ही तरह चुस्त दुरुस्त रहती है। महिला नसबन्दी के बाद घर जाकर 48 . एटे तक आराम करें परन्तु भारी या ताकत वाला काम 7 दिन बाद ही करें।
- महिला नसबन्दी से पति-पत्नी के यौन सम्बन्धों पर कोई भी प्रभाव नहीं पड़ता। उन्हें यीन सम्बन्धों के दौरान अनवाहे गर्भ की बिन्ता के बगैर वहीं आनन्द मिलता है जो पहले

📕 पुरुष के लिये स्थाई उपाय : एन.एस.वी पुराभ की रिपर स्थाइ उपाय : एका.एस.पा एन.एस.वी की प्रक्रिया बहुत ही सरत है जिसमें शुकानु ले जाने वाली नती को बंद कर दिया जाता है। प्रक्रिया के आबे घन्टे बाद लामार्थी स्थयं घर जा सकता है।

- इससे पुरुषों की यीन इच्छाओं पर कोई भी प्रभाव नहीं पड़ता तथा वीर्य स्खलन भी सामान्य बना रहता है।
- इससे पुरूषों में शारीरिक कमजोरी भी नहीं आती है। एन. एस.वी. के बाद घर जाकर आराम कर सकते हैं या रोज के हल्के काम कर सकते हैं। परन्तु भारी या ताकत वाला काम 48 घण्टे बाद ही करें। साइकिल या रिक्शा चलाना 7 दिनों बाद शुरु करें।
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- एन.एस.वी. के बाद 3 महीनों तक कन्डोम या अन्य गर्भ निरोधक का इस्तमाल आवश्यक है।

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Participating Companies

	Employees			
Company Name	Men	Women	Type of Company	
A2Z Group	1,200	0	Waste management	
Ashok Griha Udyog Kendra Ltd.	300	50	Spices and pickles	
Asian Exports Private Ltd.	108	22	Leather saddles and riding gear	
Equiplus India Exports Ltd.	720	80	Leather saddles and riding gear	
Goldee Masale	650	350	Spices and pickles	
Indicoat Shoe Accessories	500	250	Shoe manufacturing	
Jyoti Capsules Private Ltd.	75	80	Soft generic capsules	
Kapoor Polyprint Private Ltd.	200	0	Laminate pouches	
Kehr Surgical Private Ltd.	144	6	Surgical blades	
Nerolac Private Limited	700	0	Paint	
Pepsico Indico Holding Private Limited	1,200	0	Beverage and bottling facility	
RGP Moulds Private Ltd.	150	0	Plastic molds	
Total	5,947	838	6,785	





Impressive Results

- Recruited and trained 18 company health coordinators in LA/PMs.
- Reached 4,830 employees with small-group or one-on-one discussions during work hours.
- LA/PM acceptor rate ~1.3% of total workforce.
- Some businesses' acceptor rates were 3-4% of their workers and wives accepting an LA/PM.









Endline Evaluation

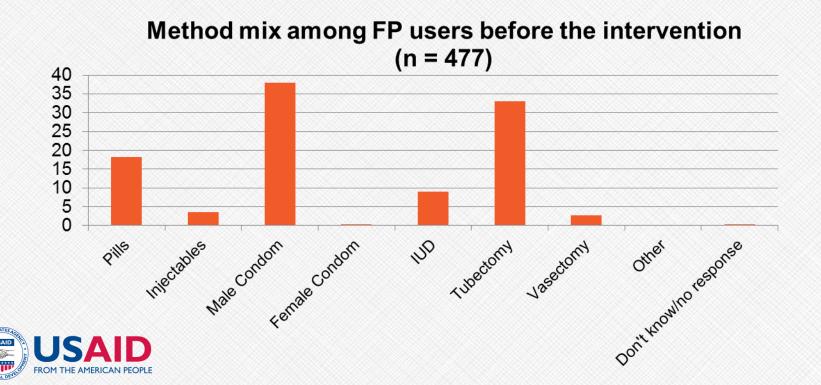
- In May and June 2012, RESPOND surveyed 1,543 employees at six companies through a convenience sample.
- Study objectives were to identify:
 - What percentage of employees were exposed to RESPOND's intervention?
 - What percentage of employees (or their spouses) adopted a method of FP or switched to a new method within the last year?
 - Would nonusers consider using FP in the future? If so, would they consider an LA/PM?





Profile of Employees

- The sample for the endline survey consisted primarily of men (96.4%).
- 72.2% of participants were married.
 - 97.7% of married participants had children.
- 43.4% of married participants already using FP at beginning of the intervention.





Findings: Exposure to the Intervention

- Exposure to the intervention was high:
 - 79.3% attended a health talk; 42.8% attended a health desk; 39.2% participated in both.
 - 97.7% of respondents reported that they had seen at least one of the posters or brochures in their workplace.

	A2Z	Ashok	Equiplus	Kapoor	Kehr	PepsiCo	TOTAL
Health talk	81.3%	100.0%	100.0%	86.9%	24.6%	63.0%	79.3%
Health desk	75.3%	57.3%	30.8%	53.6%	49.2%	12.6%	42.8%
Both	70.4%	57.3%	30.8%	50.0%	6.2%	12.2%	39.2%
Neither	13.8%	0.0%	0.0%	9.5%	32.3%	36.6%	17.2%





Improved Couple Communication for FP

- FP discussion was higher among those exposed to the intervention than among those who were not:
 - 84.2% of those who participated in either health talks or health desks discussed FP with spouse.
 - 51% of those who did not participate in the intervention discussed FP with spouse.







Goal to Support LA/PM Use Achieved: Method Switching

- Many of the exposed who switched selected an LA/PM.
- Among pill users who switched, for example, 22% chose an IUD, 41% chose tubectomy, and 14% chose vasectomy.

Method Switching among Health Talk or Health Desk Participants (n = 144)

Method adopted									
Method used before		Male condom	Pill	Injectables	IUD	Tubectomy	Vasectomy	Do not know	
	Male condom (n = 58)	0.0%	20.7%	8.6%	25.9%	25.9%	19.0%	0.0%	
	Pill (n = 63)	17.5%	0.0%	4.8%	22.2%	41.3%	14.3%	0.0%	
	Injectables (n = 9)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	44.4%	11.1%	11.1%	
	IUD (n = 14)	7.1%	7.1%	7.1%	0.0%	42.9%	35.7%	0.0%	





Non-Users of FP Adopt and Intend to Adopt Methods

- 12.5% of married nonusers exposed to intervention adopted FP.
- The male condom was the method most frequently adopted (41.5%), followed by the IUD (27.7%).
- 94.7% of participants reported intending to adopt FP in the future:
 - Tubectomy (58%), the IUD (40.1%), and vasectomy (31.3%) were most often listed.
- Fewer (60.4%) of those who <u>did not</u> participate in the intervention said that they would consider using FP in the future.





User Testimonials

"I have a daughter aged 7 years... It was through one of the health talks, held at my factory, that I came to know about the IUD as a safe, simple, and effective method of FP, and I got it inserted within two days of attending the talk."

-Reckha, age 30.



"I had never used a family planning method before. I attended several health talks at the factory. With 3 children, my wife and I knew we didn't want anymore. Although I had many concerns, it really helped me to talk with the health coordinator who had also had a vasectomy. That was very helpful to me in making my decision.

—Ajeet, age 39







Key Conclusions

- Innovative way to reach men with FP messages.
- Reaching men and women at their worksite (with employer endorsement) provides additional credibility to FP messages.
- Industrial workers' profile is well-suited for LA/PMs, in that most are married with children—although acceptance rates vary by company.
- Businesses had varying degrees of commitment to the project—the selection process must identify enthusiastic companies.
- "Champions" tend to be larger companies with dedicated corporate social responsibility programs—e.g., A2Z and PepsiCo.
- Company health coordinators are key for a program's long-term sustainability.





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