

International Workshop on
MIGRATION AND HEALTH IN ASIA

22 – 24 September 2003
Nirwana Gardens, Bintan, Indonesia

PROGRAMME

MONDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2003

- 09:00 – 10:00** **Registration**
- 10:00 – 10:10** **Welcome Note**
Assoc Professor Brenda YEOH
Principal Investigator, Asian MetaCentre for Population and Sustainable Development Analysis, and Department of Geography, National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE
- 10:10 – 10:30** **OVERVIEW:**
Understanding the Geographies of Migration and Health
Professor Paul BOYLE & Dr Elspeth GRAHAM,
University of St. Andrews, UK
- 10:30 – 10:45** **Discussion on Overview**
- 10:45 – 11:20** **Tea Break**

Session 1: MIGRANTS AND SEXUAL BEHAVIOUR, STD/HIV/AIDS (I) — Rural-Urban Mobility

Chairperson: Professor Paul BOYLE
University of St. Andrews, UK

- 11:20 – 11:40** ***Population Movement in Indonesia: Implications for the Potential Spread of HIV/AIDS***
Graeme HUGO, University of Adelaide, AUSTRALIA

- 11:40 – 12:00** ***Migrant Men Living Away from Family Are at Higher Risk of STIs and HIV/AIDS: Findings from the Survey of Migrants in Delhi***
Anurag MISHRA, Population Council, INDIA
- 12:00 – 12:20** **Discussion Session 1**
- 12:20 – 13:30** **Lunch**

Session 2: MIGRANTS AND SEXUAL BEHAVIOUR, STD/HIV/AIDS (II) —The Risks Among Female Migrant Workers

Chairperson: Dr Rachel SAFMAN
National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE

- 13:30 – 13:50** ***Young Women Workers in Post-UNTAC Cambodia: Structural Adjustment, Decent Work Deficit and Sexual Health Risk***
Kasumi NISHIGAYA, Australian National University, AUSTRALIA
- 15:50 – 14:10** ***Condom Use for Protection from HIV/AIDS and Other STDs Among Commercial Sex Workers in Cambodia***
Lisa MARTEN, USA
- 14:10 – 14:30** **Discussion Session 2**
- 14:30 – 15:00** **Tea Break**

Session 3: MIGRANTS AND SEXUAL BEHAVIOUR, STD/HIV/AIDS (III) – Transient Populations and Health Risks

Chairperson: Dr XIANG Biao
Asian MetaCentre for Population and Sustainable Development
Analysis; National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE

- 15:00 – 15:20** ***The Risk of HIV/AIDS Infection and Dissemination Among Free-Lance Emigrants in Hanoi***
Nguyen Thi HOAI DUC, The Center for Reproductive and Family Health, VIETNAM
- 15:20 – 15:40** ***The Social Geography of Disease Transmission Migration and Sexually Transmitted Diseases in China***
Christopher J. SMITH, State University of Albany, USA

- 15:40 – 16:00** ***Flows of People, Floods of Fear: Transnational Migration and AIDS Control in Thailand***
Rachel SAFMAN, National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE
- 16:00 – 16:20** ***HIV/AIDS Vulnerability of Migrants from Myanmar Working as Seafarers and Sea Food Processing Workers in Thailand***
SULTAN Ahmed, OXFAM-GREAT BRITAIN, THAILAND
- 16:20 – 17:00** **Discussion Session 3**
- 19:00** **Conference Dinner**

TUESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2003

Session 4: HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS AND IRREGULAR (UN-AUTHORISED) MIGRATION (I) — The State and Health Care Services

Chairperson: Dr Mika TOYOTA
Asian MetaCentre for Population and Sustainable Development Analysis
National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE

- 09:00 – 09:20** ***Meeting at the Crossroads: Burmese Migrants and Use of Thai Health Care Services***
Pimonpan ISARABHAKDI, Mahidol University, THAILAND
- 09:20 – 09:40** ***The Filipinos in Sabah: Unauthorised, Unwanted and Unprotected***
Maruja M. B. ASIS, Scalabrini Migration Center, PHILIPPINES
- 09:40 – 10:00** ***Migration and Health in China: An Institutional Analysis***
XIANG Biao, Asian MetaCentre for Population and Sustainable Development Analysis, National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE
- 10:00 – 10:20** ***Migration, Differential Access to Health Services and Civil Society's Responses in Japan***
Keiko YAMANAKA, University of California, Berkeley, USA
- 10:20 – 11:00** **Discussion Session 4**
- 11:00 – 11:30** **Tea Break**
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Session 5: HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS AND IRREGULAR (UN-AUTHORISED) MIGRATION (II) — Health Care System for Foreign Domestic Workers

Chairperson: Dr Maruja M.B. ASIS
Scalabrini Migration Center, PHILIPPINES

- 11:30 – 11:50** ***Health Concerns of ‘Invisible’ Foreign Domestic Maids in Thailand***
Mika TOYOTA, Asian MetaCentre for Population and Sustainable Development Analysis, National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE
- 11:50 – 12:10** ***Foreign Workers as Health Care Providers in Taiwan: The Case of Indonesians in Household Sector***
Ching-lung TSAY, Academia Sinica, TAIWAN
- 12:10 – 12:30** ***Health Issues and Filipina Female Domestic Workers in Singapore***
Avanti IYER, John Hopkins School of Public Health, USA
- 12:30 – 13:00** **Discussion Session 5**
- 13:00 – 14:00** **Lunch**

Session 6: MIGRANT’S HEALTH STATUS AND INEQUALITY

Chairperson: Professor Gavin W. JONES
National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE

- 14:00 – 14:20** ***Do Immigrants Suffer from Health Inequalities?: Experience of Asian Migrants in Australia***
Mohan SINGH, Health Research and Development, AUSTRALIA
- 14:20 – 14:40** ***Market Bound—Relocation and Disjunction in Northwest Laos***
Chris LYTTLETON, Macquarie University, AUSTRALIA
- 14:40 – 15:00** **Discussion Session 6**
- 15:00 – 15:30** **Tea Break**

Session 7: COPING MECHANISMS OF MIGRANTS AND THE HEALTH STATUS OF THEIR FAMILIES (I) — Coping Experiences of Migrants and Their Families

Chairperson: Dr Elspeth GRAHAM
University of St. Andrews, UK

- 15:30 – 15:50** ***Indian Migrant Labours in Lebanon: A Struggle for Survival***
Seema GAUR, Government of India, INDIA & Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, SINGAPORE; and
Prem C. SAXENA, American University of Beirut, INDIA
- 15:50 – 16:10** ***Life as Mothers in a New Homeland: The Lived Experience of Southeast Asian Immigrant Women in Australia***
Pranee LIAMPUTTONG, La Trobe University, AUSTRALIA
- 16:10 – 16:30** ***Reproductive Health Status of Left-Behind Women of Male Out-Migrants: A Study of Rural Bihar, India***
Archana K. ROY and Parveen NANGIA, International Institute of Population Sciences, INDIA
- 16:30 – 17:00** **Discussion Session 7**

WEDNESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2003

Session 8: COPING MECHANISMS OF MIGRANTS AND THE HEALTH STATUS OF THEIR FAMILIES (II) — Psychological Impacts of Migration Process

Chairperson: Dr Santosh JATRANA
Asian MetaCentre for Population and Sustainable Development Analysis
National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE

- 09:00 – 09:20** ***A Longitudinal Analysis of Health and Mortality in a Migrant-Sending Region of Bangladesh***
Randall Steven KUHN, University of Colorado-Boulder, USA
- 09:20 – 09:40** ***Psychological Distress in Short and Long term Migrants in Singapore***
Colleen WARD, Victoria University of Wellington, NEW ZEALAND
- 09:40 – 10:00** **Discussion Session 8**

Mental Health Issues for Asian Immigrants in New Zealand

Elsie Seekyee HO, University of Waikato, NEW ZEALAND

* (Dr Elsie Ho regrets that she is not able to attend the workshop. Her paper is available in the workshop file.)

10:00 – 10:30 Tea Break

Session 9: HEALTH OF MIGRANTS VS. NON-MIGRANTS

Chairperson: Professor Graeme HUGO
University of Adelaide, AUSTRALIA

10:30 – 10:50 *Health Status of Migrants Vs. Non-Migrants in Kanchanaburi, Thailand*

Sureeporn PUNPUING, Mahidol University, THAILAND; and
Evi Nurvidya ARIFIN, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies,
SINGAPORE

10:50 – 11:10 *Health of Older Adults in Singapore: Is Nativity an Important Determinant?*

Santosh JATRANA, Asian MetaCentre for Population and
Sustainable Development Analysis, and
Angelique CHAN, National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE

11:10 – 11:30 *Anemia Among Migrant and Non-Migrant Mothers in Disadvantaged Areas in the Visayas*

Alan Banzon FERANIL, University of San Carlos, Philippines

11:30 – 12:00 Discussion Session 9

**12:00 – 12:20 CONCLUSION:
*Some Policy Issues on Migrant Health***

Professor Gavin W. JONES
National University of Singapore, SINGAPORE

12:20 – 12:35 Discussion on Policy Issues

12:35 – 13:45 Lunch

13:45 End of Workshop