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**Panel on**

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**Overview**

The 1994 ICPD (International Conference for Population and Development) provided the Programme of Action as a roadmap of where we want go in the next 20 years. Now we have only just passed the halfway mark. Many countries have made progress; some have made a little while others have made no change. Twenty three out of 133 countries that signed the 1994 ICPD Programme of Action have made a significant progress since the ICPD took place. Some Asian countries such as India, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Thailand, and the Philippines have made progressive changes. However, enormous obstacles remain. This panel brings researchers to discuss some of the important issues on reproductive health in Asia.