The dynamics of change in India

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Global Goal: Ensuring that each child

- grows up in a safe and nurturing environment,
- has access to good education, health care and modern job skills,
- has equal opportunity to realize her/his potential fully

In 1999 I became involved in HIV/AIDS education and prevention because I recognized that it is an exceptional pandemic

HIV/AIDS: a devastating modern pandemic



Global status of HIV infection 40 million people living with HIV/AIDS and about 30 million have died as of end 2004



SOURCE: UNAIDS

Adults and children estimated to be living with HIV/AIDS as of end 2004



Total: 39.4(35.9-44.3) million SOURCE: UNAIDS 2004

Estimated number of adults and children newly infected with HIV during 2004



Total: 4.9(4.3-6.4) million SOURCE: UNAIDS 2004

Estimated adult and child deaths from HIV/AIDS during 2004



Total: 3.1(2.8-3.5) million SOURCE: UNAIDS 2004

Fast Spread of HIV in Sub-Saharan Africa, 1984 to 1999









Estimated percentage of adults (15–49) infected with HIV 20.0% – 36.0% 10.0% – 20.0% 5.0% – 10.0% 1.0% – 5.0% 0.0% – 1.0% trend data unavailable outside region

SOURCE: UNAIDS 2000



Africa: 1980-2004 a runaway pandemic





DECREASING LIFE EXPECTANCY; KILLING THE MOST PRODUCTIVE



MOST PRODUCTIVE SECTOR (YOUNG ADULTS) LOST

CHANGING LIFE EXPECTANCY

Life expectancy (years)



15 MILLION AIDS ORPHANS (2003)





Photo: James Nachtwey



What is their future?

Lifetime risk of AIDS death for 15-year-old boys, assuming unchanged or halved risk of becoming infected with HIV, selected countries



TB and HIV Co-infection

2. Estimated TB/HIV co-infection rates, 1997



What makes HIV/AIDS exceptional

- Long asymptomatic infectious period (~10 years)
- Almost always fatal
- No cure. No vaccine. None expected soon!
- Stigma keeps risky sex and IV drug use major transmission routes underground
- Governments/people caught between adopting harm reduction strategies and maintaining moral values
- Poor, marginalized populations most vulnerable
- Kills the most productive young adults & parents
- Increasing burden of orphans and ruined families

The continued spread of HIV/AIDS in Africa highlighted a much larger problem

THE VERY FUTURE OF THE POOR, THE ILLITERATE, AND THE MARGINALIZED

FUTURE The Second Wave The 2002 NSC/CIA report lists 5 important countries in the next wave

- Nigeria
- Ethiopia
- India
- China
- Russia

PROJECTIONS



Source: NSC/CIA report 2002

<u>RUSSIA</u>: NIC concluded that at this rate of growth, 10% of all Russians aged 15-49 will be HIV+ by 2010



Estimated Infections (2004) ~900,000

Russia: Health and Demographic Crisis



HIV Estimates: India





India: HIV Prevalence Among Women Attending Prenatal Clinics, Commercial Sex Workers, and Injecting Drug Users, 2001

The continued spread of HIV/AIDS highlights

Risky life-styles and the plight of the have-nots

Containing HIV requires a social transformation

	Industrialized	Developing
Education	\checkmark	×
Health care	\checkmark	×
Jobs (economic development)	\checkmark	×
Good governance	? ✓	×
Stigma (marginalized groups)	? ×	\checkmark
Women's empowerment	\checkmark	×
Healthy lifestyles	?	×

What is needed to seed this transformation?

In developing countries HIV/AIDS will not be controlled as an isolated health problem.

We will need to simultaneously address issues of poverty and development.

Intervention will require a long-term holistic approach that builds local leadership and institutions





A very complex, diverse, chaotic, vibrant country full of extremes, exceptions and contradictions









India: a pivotal strategic region

- 1/6 of world population
- 1/4 of world poverty
- Strategically located
- Democratic, free, secular
- Values education: English and math skills
- Rising middle class



Can India provide adequate resources to 1.1 billion people?

"India Everywhere": Business Landscape

- A new breed of talented, confident, cocky entrepreneurs (especially post 2002)
 - Very global in outlook and willing to compete at all levels
 - Creating their own infrastructure (electricity, water) decoupled from public works
- India offers better opportunities for small businesses (bottom up) than China

There are at least three Indias: Progressive, "Bimaru", unstable states

Information Technology



350,000 IT workers have put India on the Map

Rural India

- About 650,000 villages 750 million people
- 80% agricultural
- 1st Slogan: Roti, Kapra, Makan
 (Food, Clothes, Shelter)
- 2nd Slogan: Sadhan, Bijli, Pani
 (livelihood, electricity, water)



Needs transition strategy as agriculture becomes mechanized business competing in global economy

India faces severe challenges

- Falling groundwater tables
- Increasing salinity of soil in irrigated areas
- Air and water pollution
 - Pesticides, fertilizers, industrial and domestic waste in water systems
 - Crowded, polluted cities
- Deforestation and loss of ecosystems
- Overuse of soil depletion of soil nutrients
- Urban sprawl: growth of cities without adequate resources or infrastructure

(1) Global population increase



3 billion in 18th century with less than \$2 per day (population growth is happening here)
Projected population growth (PRB)

	2005	2025	2050
N. America	329	386	457
C.A.& Caribbean	186	235	269
S. America	373	467	536
Europe	730	716	660
Oceania	33	41	46
Africa	906	1350	1970
Asia (-China)	2617	3283	3888
China	1304	1476	1437
India	1104	1363	1628

Vulnerable population under 15

Of the 3 billion living on less than \$2 (PPP) per day, about a billion are children below age 15 who

- live amidst violence and poverty
- have little or no family supervision
- are not part of the knowledge society
- will not have access to higher education
- lack distinction between right and wrong
- are vulnerable to diseases and poor health

Who will provide them hope and what will keep them from becoming destructive?



Region	Population (Millions)	Population under 15 (millions)		Vulnerable Pop. under 15 (millions)
Africa	861	362	(42%)	~290 (80%)
Cent. America	144	50	(35%)	~25 (50%)
South America	358	111	(31%)	~50 (45%)
West Asia	204	73	(36%)	~30 (40%)
S&C Asia	1563	580	(37%)	~350 (60%)
South East Asia	544	180	(31%)	~90 (50%)
East Asia	1519	334	(22%)	~110 (33%)
Eastern Europe	301	54	(18%)	~11 (20%)

Source: Population data are from Population Reference Bureau 2003

India: key population statistics

(PRB 2005)

- Population (millions): 1104 (2005); 1363 (2025); 1628 (2050)
- Population increase: $(25-9 \approx 16)$ million per year
- Population below 15 years old: $36\% \approx 400$ million
- Rural population: $72\% \approx 800$ million
- Births by attendants: 43%
- IMR: 56/1000 live births (CIA, 2005)
- TFR: 3.4 (low 20%) 2.6 (mid 20%) 1.8 (top 20%)
- Vaccinated: 21% (low20%) 41%(mid 20%) 64%(top 20%)
- Most used birth control method: Female Sterilization

CAMPAIGN: Reproductive Health & Family Planning

Provide every man and women with easy and free access to modern family planning and disease prevention methods (pill, IDU, condom, vaccines, ...)

A Global Fund for free "pills" and condoms. \$15B per year **Demographics and Population Growth**

Population will stabilize if modern means of birth control are provided.

Much better solution if people have opportunities at "home" rather than dealing with hordes of "boat people"

(2) India: Energy a choke point

- In 2004 India consumed 2.4 M barrels a day
- Growth in demand ~ 4% per year
- Oil and gas reserves are small
- Importing 1.6 M barrels a day
 - Cost at \$60/barrel = \$35 billion
 - Oil imports = 47% of export earnings of \$74 billion
- Growth in use of coal (high ash content) will require strict pollution controls.



Energy use grows with economic development





Source: UN and DOE EIA

Increased volatility and high prices post 2004?







Energy Priorities

- Develop Iran, Pakistan, India gas pipeline (USA wants to isolate Iran)
- Develop refinery capacity for Middle East oil (happening)
- Promote renewables (wind, solar, biomass, small hydro) and distributed generation
- Develop nuclear power with advanced fuel cycle (Thorium)

Developed countries have to lead the R&D for cheap clean energy





Campaign: Provide each poor family with at least 6 hours per day of electricity

- Energy for cooking
- Energy for clean water
- Light (kids can study)
- Energy to start micro enterprises



Allow women to step out of the kitchen

Access to basic enabling technologies

Medicines and vaccines

 Global jackpot fund for essential medicines and vaccines

- Cheap and clean energy
- Quantity and quality of water

Need small scale inexpensive solutions

(3) Nurturing 21st century global citizens

Emphasis on novelty, math and science skills, ability to perform under pressure, intra-personal skills

Thresholds are increasing rapidly

- Nurturing children fit for the 21st century takes
 22+ years of investment
 - Health care and nutrition
 - Good education (at least bachelor's degree)
 - Stable home environment (emotional health)
 - Healthy leisure time activities
- Infrastructure \rightarrow job creation
- Access to energy and potable water

Poor cannot access these without significant help

In the absence of healthy leisure time activities people gravitate towards

- Shallow television
- Gambling
- Alcohol and drugs

Need education and meaningful jobs

HEROIN THREAT



India will increasingly be targeted by drug cartels as prosperity grows Confront criminal organizations and rogue economies

- Alcohol (major impediment to development)
- Tobacco
- Drugs
- Weapons
- Money laundering



- Corporate/government corruption
- Illegal trade in resources

Harmful to rich and poor nations



The universal number one complaint by women is alcohol abuse by their men

Despondency: Landless labor works only 8-15 days a month



Markets are driven by profit and not long-term environmental, social, health impacts and costs

GUTHKA: (chewing tobacco 1990 -)

- Single shot: vacuum sealed pouches preserve flavor
- Marketing: colorful, shinny pouches, eye-catching display
- Low cost (2-7 cents): even poor children can buy
- Palatable: sweetened combination liked by kids
- *Easy access: Any shop can sell them (illegally)*
- Ready access: can carry anywhere in one's pocket
- Shopkeepers give guthka in lieu of small change
- No social barrier to consumption





The full cost of chewing tobacco



Cheek cancer

Removal of cancerous cheek

Skin graft to patch hole

Campaign: Ban international trade in cigarettes

- Smoking a recognized health hazard
- Growth predominately in developing countries
- Advertisements target the youth
- Savings in health care costs will offset losses
- Moral victory for developed nations

Ratify the WHO lead Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, and work towards a ban



Developing Local Leadership to Sustain Change

India: Political Landscape

- Few national parties (Congress, BJP, Janta Dal) many regional parties
- Coalition governments: national+regional parties
- Caste, communal, religious card played often
- Many politicians have criminal records
- Corruption has become "normal"— a way of life
- Inflated, inefficient, corrupt bureaucracy

Rich muddle through; Poor are devastated



How do we affect change under dysfunctional corrupt governments?

Empower local communities, make schools work, and create jobs

Developing local leadership takes time and nurturing

- At village level to energize communities
- Non Government Organizations (NGO)
- In all social activities: education, public health, medicine, gender equality,

Need to identify, train and empower potential leaders

The number of good NGOs in India make its development a hopeful case!

Migration and Reinvestment

- Migration created a global Indian community
- This community has skills, capital, entrepreneurship
- Helped create the IT revolution in US & India
- Many are keen to help and invest
- Can engage meaningfully in poverty reduction and development
- Promote and facilitate the engagement of migrant communities

Scenario Under Business-as-Usual

Eight Economic Zones: each of about 400M "global" people



Impediments to development: Sharks and Barracudas come in many guises

- Despotic, corrupt governments
- National and transnational criminals
- Fanatics and terrorists
- Exploitative multinationals

The more we ignore the needs of the poor and marginalized, the more we empower the despots, the sharks and the barracudas!



500 million Indians need education, health care, job skills, energy and potable water to develop.

Their fate, and the future of 3 billion people worldwide that live on less than \$2 per day, depends on the rich making an exceptional commitment to global development today.