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Ensuring Sustainability of a Reproductive and Mother and Child Health Care Project in a Conflict Setting

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Conflict Context

- **Raging civil war in North & East Sri Lanka, displaced approximately one million people**
- **750,000 were displaced internally**
- **Concentrated in districts of Puttalam, Mannar, Vavuniya, Anuradhapura, Trincomalee, Batticaloa & Ampara**

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Health Context

- **Health services totally disrupted**
 - **Infrastructure damaged & destroyed**
 - **Shortage of personnel both medical & paramedical**
 - **Shortage of equipment & drugs**
 - **Complete disruption to logistics**

Objective

To develop a model for the effective & sustainable delivery of RH & FP services to the internally displaced & their host communities in Sri Lanka

PSL Background

- **Started 1995**
- **Donors – DFID, EC, MSI**
- **IDP and host community**

Sri Lanka

▲ IDP project
PSL centres



Methodology

- **A static clinic in each district with comprehensive mobile outreach facilities**
- **Community participation**
- **Close cooperation with government & other agencies**
- **Identifying & mobilizing local resources**
- **Training**
- **BCC activities & materials**

PSL – 3 Clinic Performance

	2000	2001	2002
Total Services	123,861	116,184	109,009
RH Services	37,017	36,197	36,376
RH Service %	30%	31%	33%

PSL – 3 Clinic Impact

	Puttalam		Vavuniya		Horowpathana	
	1996	2001	1996	2001	1997	2001
CPR (% M/METHOD)	29	67	38	69	70	81
IMR	26	12	37	11	15	5
MMR	26	0	67	0	0	0

Project Management

- **Rationalization**
 - **Services**
 - **Staff**
 - **Use of drugs**

Financial Management

- **The concept of sustainability**
- **Economy**
- **Affordable fees –from those who can pay & only as much as they can afford**
- **Investment of idle funds**
- **The endowment fund**

Financial Data 2002

- **Operating income – 37%**
- **Variable costs - 35%**
- **Overheads – 65%**
- **Total - 100%**
- **Deficit – 63%**

Sustainability

- **Endowment fund**
 - **Services fees – 27%**
 - **Interest – 9%**
 - **Donors - 37%**
 - **Cross-subsidisation – 26%**

- **Endowment covers deficit**

Findings

- **Sustainable FP & RH programmes are possible**
 - **Culturally**
 - **Socially**
 - **Financially**

**Even in conflict & resource
constrained situations**

Provided.....

- **Sustainability receives attention from day one**
- **The community is involved to the maximum possible extent**
- **Services are client-centred**
- **Close financial management**



**Thank you
very much**