

5th May 2008 International Day of Midwives

Date: 5th May 2008 Venue: Ministry of Public Health Time: 2:00 to 4:00 PM

The International day of Midwife's was celebrated in the Ministry of Public Health.

His Excellency Dr Fatimi the Minister of Public Health inaugurates the ceremony and congratulates the Midwifes Day and also appreciates their hardworking for the wellbeing of mothers and their child's As they are the ones who slows down the mortality rate He Congratulates the New President of AMA and appreciates her hard workings and prayed for her further success in every aspect of life The AMA selected President had her speech and yearly report The chief of Party of HSSP had her speech and also the WHO president and other midwives and directors.

At the end they awarded the representatives certificates and gifts.

The gifts were prepared from Heart province

250 participants attended the International Day of Midwifes

Who were midwifes from the provinces, hospitals and students and other people

Healthy families: The key to the future

Midwifery care for women and their babies is an investment in family and community that promotes healthy growth and well-being for present and future generations.

The International Day of the Midwife offers the opportunity each year to celebrate midwives' work and the profession of midwifery: this year the special focus is on the family and its future generations:

Midwives help to build healthy families - in the midwives' hands is the key to the future

The Afghan Midwives Association AMA celebrates the 5th May 2008 the International Midwives Day, with support of the USAID-funded Health Services Support Project (HSSP). The aim of this day is to celebrate midwifery and to bring awareness of the importance of midwives' work to as many people as possible.

Time	Subject	Presenter
2:00-2:10:00	Recitation of the Holy Quran Welcome of Honored guests	Munira Qarizada Pashtoon Azfar
2:10: 2:30	Opening speech	His Excellency Minister of Public Health Dr.Sayed Mohammad Amin Fatimi
2:30-2:40	USAID/HSSP Speech	Hannah Gibson, Chief of Party HSSP
2:40- 2:50	AMA President's speech	AMA president
2:50-2:55	WHO representative	Petter Graff
2:55-3:00	AFSOG speech	Dr. Nasrin Oria khail
3:00-3:20	Become a MIDWIFE and save women's lives	Sayram from Badakhshan Najmeen from Khost Najma, from Bamyan.
3:20- 4:00	Recognition & Award distribution	

AGENDA

"Midwives are the primary contact for women and their families...and have the capacity to reach all women, even the poorest, especially those who would otherwise not seek care." (ICM)

Midwifery: a worldwide commitment to women and the newborn

MIDWIFERY= LOVE AND SACRIFICE+ COMPETENCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY