



STATEMENT BY MS. REVA NAYYAR, SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT, MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT, ON AGENDA ITEM: PLEDGING EVENT FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AT THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION 2005 OF THE UNICEF EXECUTIVE BOARD ON JANUARY 19, 2005

Mr. President,

I would like to inform the Board that the Government of India has decided to raise its yearly contribution to UNICEF to US \$900,000 which is a significant increase from our past contribution.

Our country is home to approximately 400 million children and the development and well-being of our children will surely be a determinant for achieving key Millennium Development Goals worldwide. We acknowledge our more than half a century old close relationship with UNICEF and look forward to achieving many positive results in the future. The Indian Country Office is perhaps the largest UNICEF programme in the world and we are sensitive to this very special position.

Thank you, Mr. President

[BACK TO TABLE OF CONTENTS](#)