

## The World Population Day: A celebration of diversity, solidarity and for strengthening our common future

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The United Nation has designated July 11<sup>th</sup> as the World Population Day and is celebrated as an annual event around the globe. The date was established as World Population in 1987; and now over two decades, July 11<sup>th</sup> has been an important occasion to understand the trends of population across the globe and several related issues. The world has turned into a challenging place with numerous wars and conflicts, sectarian violence and challenges of insurgencies threatening the life and livelihood of millions of people. The theme for the 2015 World Population Day has been Vulnerable Populations in Emergencies. Several populations in different countries across Asia, Africa and Latin America representing mostly developing and under developed nations are the worst hit. Over

population, over exploitation of available natural resources beyond carrying capacity, challenges of environmental pollution, global climate change and global warming has been resulting in serious consequences in different corners of the planet. Around 60 million people around the world have been displaced due to several reasons and are extremely vulnerable to exploitation and communicable diseases. They do not have access to proper healthcare, child care, potable water, proper nutrition, education and minimal security to protect their life and properties. It is important that we all come together on a common platform to work towards celebrating our diversity across the planet and strengthening our solidarity for laying the foundation of a better world tomorrow.