UNFPA works to address reproductive health issues, such as infertility.

universal access to reproductive health (RH), reducing maternal mortality, and accelerating progress on the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) agenda and MDG-5 – are all inextricably linked.

Work in Iran

UNFPA has been working in the I.R. Iran for over 30 years, and is currently working on its 5th Country Programme, which is aligned with Iran’s 5th National Development Plan. All priority areas are implemented in partnership with government partners, addressed in a culturally-sensitive manner, and promote national ownership and leadership.

In Iran, UNFPA works with national partners to apply population data to prepare for today and tomorrow’s challenges and opportunities. Key work goals include:

- To enhance national capacity to collect, analyse, disseminate and utilize disaggregated population data for decision-making, evidence-based policy formulation, programming and
monitoring of national achievements.

• Conduct advocacy and policy dialogue on population issues.

• Generate sound and up-to-date evidence on population dynamics, including in the areas of ageing, youth, female-headed households, urbanization and internal migration.

UNFPA Iran is also working to ensure that everyone can enjoy a healthy reproductive life, and does this by:

• Bridging regional disparities in reproductive health indicators.

• Improving the quality of reproductive health care and programme delivery in general.

• Addressing areas such as infertility, sexually transmitted infections including HIV/AIDS, and reproductive tract cancers.

• Incorporating reproductive health/ issues into the humanitarian responses of the country.

As a cross-cutting strategy, UNFPA places emphasis on promoting South-South cooperation by linking Iran to international best practices and resources to share its experiences. In this regard, UNFPA recently launched a large-scale project using Iranian midwifery expertise to strengthen maternal health in Afghanistan.