

Prof. Asha A Bhende Memorial Lecture

You are cordially invited to attend the 11th Prof. Asha A Bhende Memorial lecture by **Dr. Poonam Muttreja**, Executive Director, PFI, New Delhi.

The Roadmap to Population Stabilisation: A case for reaching the unreached

Dr. Poonam Muttreja, Executive Director of the Population Foundation of India, has for over 40 years been a strong advocate for women's health, reproductive and sexual rights, and rural livelihoods. She has co-conceived the popular transmedia initiative, *Main Kuch Bhi Kar Sakti Hoon* - I, A Woman, Can Achieve Anything. Before joining PFI, she served as the India Country Director of the John D and Catherine T MacArthur Foundation for 15 years and has also co-founded and led the Ashoka Foundation, Dastkar, and the Society for Rural, Urban and Tribal Initiative (SRUTI). An alumna of Delhi University and Harvard University's John F Kennedy School of Government, Poonam serves on the governing council of several non-governmental organisations, and is a regular commentator in India and globally for television and the print media.



Date: 28th January, 2022

Time: 04.00 PM

Registration and Participation for Webinar link:

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Professor Asha A. Bhende (1928-2010) was an accomplished academician and a prolific writer. Her book "Principles of Population Studies" co-authored with the late Prof Tara Kanitkar of IIPS has had 20 editions over the years. She served as an advisor to several organizations such as UGC, NACO, TISS, and Family Planning Training and Research Center and was a Visiting Fellow at the Population Institute, Australian National University, Canberra and the East West Center, Hawaii. Prof. Bhende worked as a consultant to many international and national organizations including ILO, UNFPA, Rockefeller Foundation, World Vision, National Association for the Blind, and Organization for Educational Resources and Technical Training. She was a Board member of the Foundation for Research in Health Systems and National Association for the Blind, and a Chairperson of the Ashish Gram Rachana Trust, Indian Institute of Health Management, Pachod, Maharashtra. Her book on her life, titled "*Majhya Jagaat Mi*" (In my own world, am I) was published. Prof. Asha A. Bhende was a highly accomplished actress, with training in music and dance. Prof. Asha Bhende was a unique combination of artistic talent and academic brilliance who is remembered with respect and affection.

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