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BIOGRAPHY

Anindya Chatterjee has provided leadership in policy and programme development in the area of health, development, drug control and HIV/AIDS over the last two decades. He has worked with the United Nations, government authorities, NGOs, research and international agencies. He has lived and worked in Bangladesh, India, Iran, Myanmar, Nepal, Switzerland, Thailand, USA and has been closely involved with national HIV/AIDS, health, development and drug control programmes in several countries of the world.

He currently coordinates the prevention team of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) based in Geneva. His specific areas of expertise include development of HIV prevention and care programmes for vulnerable populations, HIV situation analyses, public policy research and advocacy. He also has extensive experience in training different civil society and other groups in various aspects of health care. He has helped pioneer health and development programmes for poor and marginalized populations, developed several pioneering outreach and needle-exchange programmes within Asia, developed guidelines for rapid assessment surveys and founded a mental health NGO in India. He has authored several articles and books. A recently edited book entitled 'Living with the AIDS virus: the epidemic and the response in India' has been published in India.

He graduated in medicine in 1983 and subsequently obtained doctoral degree in psychiatry and post-doctoral training in anthropology and public health in India and US.