

### [Activists Slam G8's Aid Shell Game](#)

June 26th, 2010, Berlin (IPS) - The G8 bloc of wealthy nations promised five billion dollars Saturday for health and nutrition programmes that benefit women and children in developing countries.

### [Under-Five Deaths Show Robust Decline But Hurdles Remain](#)

9th June, 2010, Kathmandu (IPS) - With still five years left before the expiry of the Millennium Development Goals' (MDGs) 2015 deadline to reduce under-five mortality rate by two-thirds from the 1990 level, a mid-term survey of Nepal Family Health Program (NFHP) II shows the country has already achieved the target.

### [The Lancet reveals encouraging progress in reducing child mortality rates](#)

Barcelona, June 1st, 2010 - Prestigious medical research journal The Lancet recently reported encouraging new data on the progress made in attaining Millennium Development Goal 4 which calls for reducing child mortality rates by 2/3 by 2015.

### [GLOBAL: PMTCT could be key to cutting child mortality](#)

25th May 2010, Johannesburg (PlusNews) - Sub-Saharan Africa is struggling to meet the Millennium Development Goal (MDG) of reducing child mortality but with greater access to prevention of mother-to-child HIV transmission (PMTCT) services, some countries are slowly catching up.

### [Study Suggests HIV Prevalence Has Dropped Among Children](#)

14th May 2010 - UNICEF today welcomed the results of a study by the Human Sciences Research Council suggesting that HIV prevalence has dropped by more than half in children ages 2-14. According to the survey, HIV prevalence dropped from 5.6% in 2002 to 2.5% in 2008.

### [Better care for newborns crucial for Millennium Development Goal on child deaths](#)

10th MAY 2010, GENEVA -- Improving newborn care in the first month of life is essential for reducing child deaths in developing countries, according to a global update on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) released today in the *World Health Statistics 2010*.

### [New Strategy, More Funding Needed To Meet Maternal, Child Health MDGs](#)

14th April 2010 - "Dozens of countries are unlikely to meet" the Millennium Development Goal targets related to maternal and child health without a new strategy and an additional \$20 billion each year, according to a report released Tuesday, the Canadian Press reports (Lederer, 4/14).

### [Dying: Millions of Women in Childbirth, Newborns, and Young Children](#)

13th April 2010 - Widespread global use of known and proven maternal and childcare techniques, practices, and therapies could save the lives of millions of women, newborns and children each year, according to a new analysis prepared for a mid-April meeting of world leaders and technical experts on maternal and child health. The meeting is being held to focus attention on this toll and develop a plan of action to reduce it.

### [Malaria cases halved in SA](#)

11th January 2010, Pretoria - South Africa is one of nine African countries that have managed

to slash malaria-induced illness and death by half, according to the World Health Organisation (WHO).

### [Child mortality drop 'too slow'](#)

10th September 2009 - The UN children's agency says child mortality is decreasing, but the rate of decline is not enough.

### [Child mortality rate highest in India: UNICEF](#)

23rd January 2008 - New Delhi: A recently released annual report by the UNICEF says that of a nearly 10 million children dying below the age of five every year, 2.1 million are Indians.