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End notes

- **Errata**

In our first Tips for Trainers we forgot to mention the source of the exercise. Our apologies to Alan Margolis of Hampstead Training who first told us about *Fruit Salad*.

- **Recent publications on health and methodology**

Although we do try to provide you with as many free or low cost publication references as possible, health issues appear to be expensive business. This list of recent publications includes more and less costly items but we feel they are of particular relevance to this special issue of the RRA Notes.

Oxfam's Gender and Development Unit produces the *GADU Newspank* twice per year. Issue No 15, June 1992 focuses on women's health issues and includes valuable bibliographic information. It is available free of charge from: GADU, Oxfam, 274 Banbury Road, Oxford, OX2 7DZ, UK.

Issue No.7 of the Oxfam Practical Health Guide series by Helen Young is called *Food Scarcity and Famine: Assessment and Response* (121 pgs, 1992). She discusses how to judge what information is necessary for decision making and presents a range of approaches to collecting this information. Rapid assessments are discussed, including the use of wealth ranking to complement nutrition survey data. Practical suggestions are given for organising teamwork and analysing findings. It is available for £5.95 from: Oxfam Publications, 274 Banbury Road, Oxford OX2 7DZ, UK.

Soundings is a communication exchange newsletter published twice a year in English. In the Summer 1992 newsletter several

publications are mentioned that will be of interest to many health professionals. One such publication is a series of Spanish language health training guides while another concerns integrated reproductive health activities in Nepal. The newsletter can be received free by recipients in the South. Annual subscription of recipients in the North is US\$5.00 per year. Write to: World Neighbours, 4127 NW 122 Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73120-8869, USA.

The Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Department of Health Services Studies, produces a Ford Foundation funded newsletter called *Qualitative Research Methods*. The Newsletter is a forum through which methodological experiences relating to women's reproductive health and health seeking behaviours are shared and disseminated. Write to: Editors, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, P.O.Box 8313, Deonar, Bombay 400 088, India.

A special issue of *Health Policy and Planning*, March 1992, is called "Rapid Assessment Methods for the Control of Tropical Diseases". It takes a critical look at a variety of rapid assessment methods and their potential for application in the Third World. It is available from: Customer Services (ED), Oxford University Press, Southfield Road, Eynsham, Oxford OX8 1JJ, UK. Personal subscription rates for Third World readers for Volume 7 (1992) of four issues is US\$65.00 if payment is made by personal cheque or credit card (institutional rates for Third World US\$112.00). For RRA Notes subscribers we have negotiated a special price for **the March 1992 issue only** at US\$25.00 (all other single issues cost US\$42.00).

TALC (*Teaching-aids At Low Cost*) provides a wide selection of low cost books on a range of health issues, including health care services, AIDS education, mother and child care, and

disability and appropriate technology. They coordinate the innovative Child-to-Child Trust which encourages children to spread health messages to younger children and other community members, which was awarded with the 1991 UNICEF Maurice Pate Award. They also supply many low-cost slide sets on a variety of health topics. Write to: TALC, P.O.Box 49, St. Albans, Hertfordshire AL1 4AX, UK.

The *Institute of Development Studies Bulletin* Vol.23, No.1, January 1992 is called "Gender and Primary Health Care: Some forward looking strategies". The articles address limitations of current health policies in dealing with the needs of women both in terms of their own health and as agents of health care within households, communities and the state delivery system. It is available for £7.00 from: IDS, University of Sussex, Brighton BN1 9RE, UK.

Tools for Community Participation: A Manual for Training Trainers in Participatory Techniques is a detailed and invaluable guide on participatory training approaches. It is based on extensive field experiences in PROWESS/UNDP activities and is accompanied by a short video. The package (in English - Spanish and French forthcoming) is available for US\$35.00 plus shipping from PACT, 777 UN Plaza, New York, NY 10017, USA. PROWESS/UNDP produces other relevant health focused material, obtainable free of cost from: 304 E 45th Street, 12th Floor, New York, New York 10017, USA.

• Call for articles

A reminder to all readers on two upcoming special issues for which we would greatly welcome experiences and reflections from the field.

- the use of RRA/PRA approaches in *livestock production and animal health*.
- *training strategies and styles* to enhance learning and institutionalising R/PRA.

• Discussion paper on rapid appraisal

Robert Chambers has just finished a discussion paper on the development of PRA from RRA. "In RRA information is extracted; in PRA it is shared by rural people and much more owned by them." In *Rural Appraisal: Relaxed, Rapid, Relaxed and Participatory* he presents a range of applications and highlights both advantages and dangers. More importantly it touches on new challenges in the spread of PRA to ensure reliable outcomes and sustained institutional change. A limited supply of copies are available free from Robert at: IDS, University of Sussex, Brighton BN1 9RE, UK.