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2007 World AIDS Campaign launched in Uzbekistan



The WB country office in Uzbekistan takes part in 2007 World AIDS Campaign activities in Uzbekistan launched on November 27. This year's campaign has jointly been implemented by UNAIDS, UNICEF,

UNESCO, World Bank, UNODC, UNFPA, Central Asia Regional Harm Reduction Project, CAPACITY and other partners.

The campaign started with a press briefing held on 27 November in Dedeman Hotel. A welcome statement made by a Deputy Minister of Health was followed by an overview of joint



activities of national and international organizations on HIV/AIDS presented by Ms. Guzal M. Giyasova, Director of the Republican AIDS Centre. Ms. Tatiana V. Shoumilina, UNAIDS Country Coordinator for Uzbekistan informed on AIDS Epidemic Update.



The event included two award ceremonies: **Awarding of laureates of Jonathan Mann Award 2007** and **Awarding of winners of the journalist contest "HIV/AIDS: Prevention, Treatment and Care"** announced by the Regional Central Asia AIDS Control Project.

The briefing completed with a questions/answers session.

The World Bank's Public Information Center arranged a WB booth distributing some Bank publications on HIV AIDS, Information brochures on the WB activities in Uzbekistan and Public Information Services.



HIV AIDS campaign includes a Gala concert of Uzbek show business stars, drawing competition among HIV positive children and Art Exhibition to support children living with HIV, information sessions in educational institutions and wide information campaign with distribution of promotional materials.

