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Dr. Mandeep Dhaliwal is the Director of UNDP's HIV and Health Group, Bureau of Policy and Programme Support. Ms. Dhaliwal brings to the organization over 25 years of experience working on HIV, health, human rights and evidence-based policy and programming in low and middle-income countries. Dr. Dhaliwal joined UNDP in 2008 and was the architect of the Global Commission on HIV and the Law and the UN Secretary General's High-Level Panel on Access to Medicines. Prior to joining UNDP, she was a senior adviser to the Dutch Royal Tropical Institute's Special Programme on HIV/AIDS. From 2000 to 2006, Dr. Dhaliwal worked for the International HIV/AIDS Alliance's Policy, Research and Good Practice Team in the United Kingdom where she focused on issues of HIV care and treatment in developing countries. She was instrumental in expanding the International HIV/AIDS Alliance's technical and policy work on issues of HIV care, treatment and support in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe and Latin America. While at the Alliance, she led the development of an operations research initiative in Zambia on community engagement for anti-retroviral treatment. From 1993 to 2000, she worked on HIV and human rights in India, including as the founding Coordinator of the Lawyers Collective HIV/AIDS Unit, a leading human rights organization, establishing the Unit's legal aid, public interest litigation, legal literacy and policy/advocacy work.