

# Iodine deficiency meet in city

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**INTERNATIONAL EXPERTS on salt iodisation under the Network for Sustained Elimination of Iodine Deficiency (Iodine Network) will hold its board meeting in Jaipur on February 19-20, 2009.**

The Network will review progress globally and make observation vis-à-vis the Indian situation.

Nations across the world have recognised iodine deficiency as an important and preventable public health problem, which reduces the brain development in newborns and robs them and the nation of their full development potential.

Iodine deficiency can be easily resolved by ensuring that all salt for human and animal consumption is iodised.

The Iodine Network is a global coalition of representatives of UN agencies, NGO and salt industry partners working to advance the elimination of iodine deficiency.

Its members, including the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), World Food

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**Programme (WFP), World Health Organisation (WHO), Kiwanis International, the Salt Institute, EU Salt, the China National Salt Industry Corporation, the Micronutrient Initiative (MI),**

the International Council for the Control of Iodine Deficiency Disorders (ICCIDD), the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University, and the Center for Disease Control (CDC), will participate in this meeting.