Women's Health and Body in Sri Lanka *Darshi Thoradeniya*

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Women's health emerged as a development indicator within the state building project of post independent Sri Lanka, while women's body; disciplined and docile, emerged as the representation of identity and social reproducer of the nation. My project problematises these two concepts: **women's health and body**, as categories in history writing of modern Sri Lanka.



Hygine packs distributed by UNFPA through FPA Sri Lanka in Mallawi in the Kilinochchi District for the re-settled communities

http://www.fpasrilanka.org/ - 1990s



Ceylon Daily Mirror, 1978/08/21 (Monday) p. 4

What do eugenics, birth control and family planning mean to women in Sri Lanka?

Sri Lanka - a 'development model' for South Asia?

Sri Lanka - first to use the Pincus pill in Asia!

Post ICPD – Sri Lankan women's health 'beyond reproduction'?



