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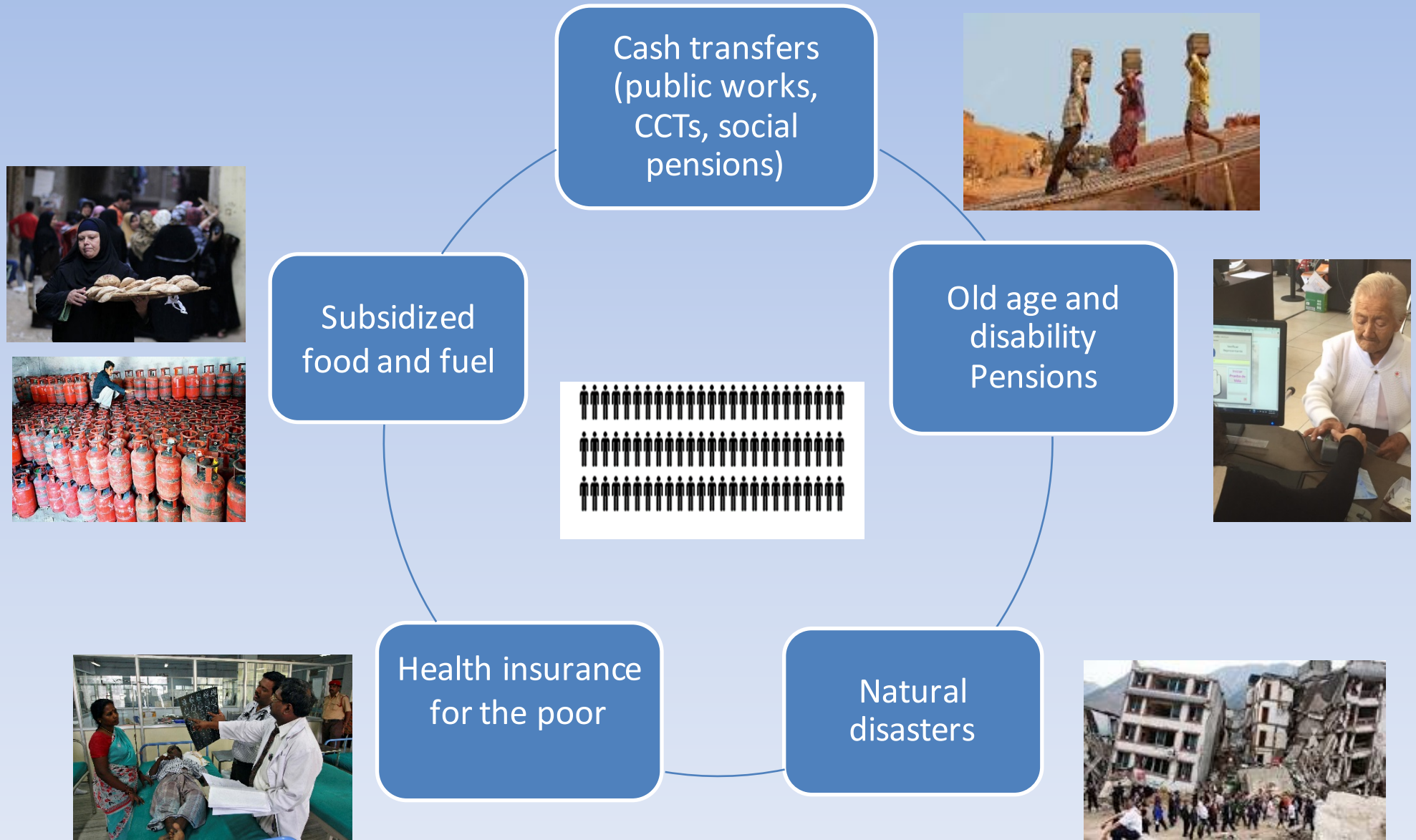
Harnessing Identification Systems for Social Protection

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Social Protection programs deliver cash, goods or services to individuals that must be *identified*



National ID versus program 'silo' ID systems

Peru



Voting



Mexico



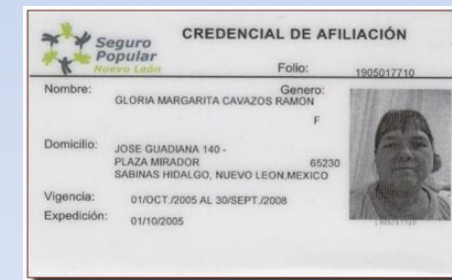
Cash transfer to poor families



Old age pensions



Health insurance for the poor



Social security for formal workers

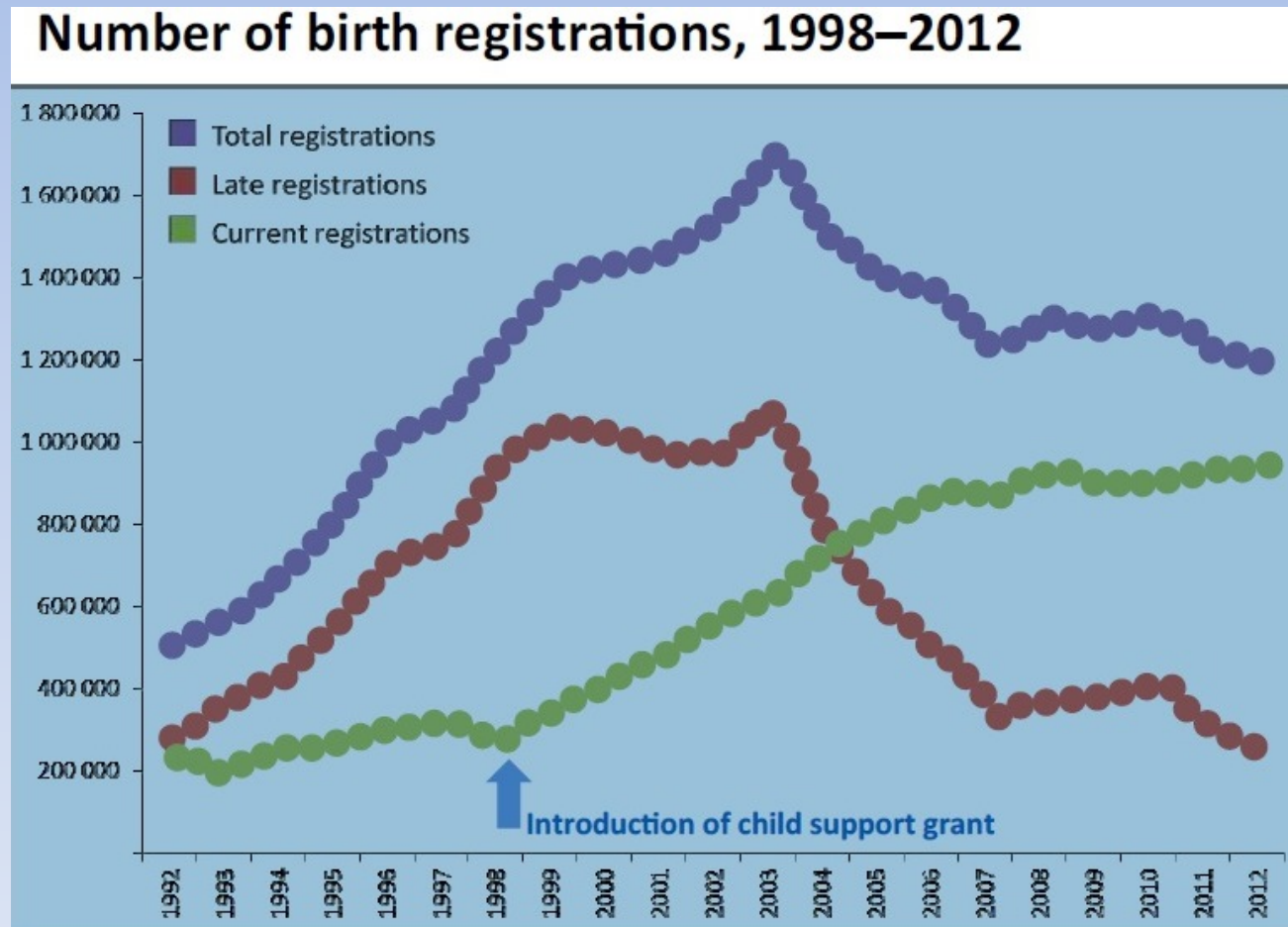
'Silo' functional IDs are suboptimal

- Ensuring uniqueness and providing secure authentication is very difficult for each program to do on its own
- Multiple biometric enrolment increases costs to government and people
- Inability to link databases reduces ability to coordinate across programs and to monitor what the overall social protection system

Reasons for 'silo' IDs

- Low coverage of national IDs and civil registers
- NID and CR not robust or trustworthy
- National ID system does not offer authentication services
- Legacy systems and turf battles

Synergies to exploit...



Source: van der Straaten (2015)



IDENTIFICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT

Thank you

