

# A REPORT ON NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PROGRAM OF DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, C.T.A

PREVALANCE, AWARENESS, TREATMENT AND  
CONTROL OF HYPERTENSION & DIABETES AMONG  
ADULT TIBETAN POPULATION IN INDIA DURING  
CCOCC PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION - 2018



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## Preface

In 2014, a pilot study on hypertension was conducted by the author in the Tibetan settlement of Poanta, Himachal Pradesh. It was carried out as a part of mandatory “field work” required for an in-campus postgraduate diploma program in biostatistics and data management from Indian Institute of Public Health, Hyderabad (IIPH-H). The study proposal for the pilot project had gone through the technical and ethical review committee of the institute and the study outcome revealed an overall prevalence of hypertension at 37.5% (CI 28.8 - 46.2). Among all the adults surveyed, 17.5 % (CI 10.7 - 24.3) were newly diagnosed during the survey. 12.5 % (CI 6.6 -18.4) and 7.5 % (CI 2.8 - 12.2) had uncontrolled and controlled blood pressure respectively. This finding suggested that hypertension among adult Tibetan population in India might be high and many adult may remain undiagnosed. It also showed the importance of the need for further larger study.

DoHe-CTA had begun to implement an electronic health information system (DoHe-CTA HIS) in 2012 which also collected among others; clinic morbidity and mortality information and the data showed that hypertension and diabetes related conditions were among the top causes of death in the Tibetan community in India. DoHe-CTA HIS also reported that hypertension is the leading reason of footfalls at DoHe-CTA health facilities (refer annexure 1-3). TMS (Tibetan Medicare System) morbidity data from the claim database also show that NCDs account for majority of TMS participants who claim reimbursement (refer annexure 4)

It has become clear that prevalence of hypertension and diabetes are on the rise. Community based screening of adult population for hypertension and diabetes is important because many people with these conditions do not present with any symptoms and so do not seek care; a substantial proportion of people with these two conditions are undiagnosed and may present latter with fatal complications or lifelong disabilities. In such a situation, population based intervention with household level as the “Point-of Contact & Care” may be an appropriate and effective approach.

Community based screening is advocated in the Government of India Non-Communicable Disease (Gol NCD) operational framework<sup>23</sup> and rationale for population based screening stated that “Studies in health seeking behaviour have shown that most people with diabetes and hypertension do not seek health care even when they know they have the condition, until symptoms appear. Thus in the early phases of the programme, the guidance would be to undertake population based screening. Initiating the programme through a population based screening programme has several benefits. It creates an environmental milieu and increases awareness in the community regarding NCDs. Buttressed by active IEC, the risk assessment questionnaire undertaken by ASHA/ASHA facilitator trained to do this, would enable an increased understanding among respondents of risk factors and the need to be screened. Thus population based screening could serve as an entry point strategy. As awareness increases, states could gradually move towards opportunistic screening”.

In 2017, DoHe-CTA initiated (revived) the outreach program under the Primary Health System as part of its preventive and public health extension activities and, with funds from USAID, 18 staffs were recruited to provide the initial impetus to the program. The program was named Comprehensive Community Outreach and Coordinated Care Program (CCOCC Program). As the name suggested, it was intended to be a comprehensive approach. Point-Of-Care-Testing (POCT) kits were provided so that basic investigations like blood sugar and procedures like taking blood pressure could be carried out at the household level. DoHe-CTA had also requested for a grant from USAID to conduct one time free screening of hypertension and diabetes of all the adults staying in the Tibetan settlements in India as a part of its Non-Communicable Disease Program (NCD). A grant of INR nine lac was allocated to purchase diabetes test kits.

To work towards WHO NCD global action plan 2018 – 2020, in 2018, free hypertension and diabetes screening service was offered to all the adult residents of the Tibetans settlements through house-

house visits under the CCOCC Program This report is outcome of the data collected during the screening activities for that year. The outreach visits under the CCOCC Program continue to conduct their multipronged interventions on a continuous basis with the intention of covering the whole settlement at-least once a month and the monthly visits also include screening and follow-up for hypertension and diabetes.

The short term target of DoHe-CTA under the NCD and CCOCC programs with respect to hypertension and diabetes are:

- i. Estimate the community prevalence of hypertension and diabetes by end of 2018
- ii. Identify all the adults who are hypertensive and diabetic by 2020
- iii. By 2020, reduce by 50%, all cases of known hypertensive and diabetic who require medication and currently not taking medicines
- iv. By 2020, bring 50% of all cases of uncontrolled hypertensive and diabetic under control with proper medication and other measures
- v. By 2020, develop a hypertension and diabetes prevention and risk reduction strategy and Social and Behavior Change Communication (SBCC) campaign

The current report attempts to look mainly at the descriptive analysis of the house-house hypertension and diabetes screening data. Advance statistical analysis will be attempted latter and this ideally will need “peer review” and I would like to welcome you to be part of the team.

Considering that this report is based on program implementation, the data needed considerable cleaning. Field data collection was carried out by the DoHe-CTA regular staff and despite training, they were not professionals in this area of work e.g. data entry in a software. Data entry mistakes into the electronic database through Epi-Info 7 form was there. There was a protocol, but some collected height and waist in inches instead of centimetres. Some did not follow the protocol, as in many instances, there were only one blood pressure readings instead of at-least two whiles many did not measure or reported fasting blood sugar level after the random blood sugar report of more than 140 mg/dl

However, this type of survey or implementation research has its application and I found that the effort was worthwhile and satisfying as we can understand issues right at the lowest level i.e. settlement or village. Most of all, it will help us in monitoring the WHO NCD targets. At-least three targets have direct relation to hypertension and diabetes and they are by 2025:

1. *25% relative reduction in the prevalence of raised blood pressure or contain the prevalence of raised blood pressure, according to national circumstances;*
2. *Halt the rise in diabetes and obesity and*
3. *At least 50% of eligible people receive drug therapy and counselling (including glycaemic control) to prevent heart attacks and strokes”.*

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## CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

Hypertension, diabetes and their complications are important determinants of morbidity and mortality in adult population and the problem is likely to be aggravated in the future due to socio-demographic and economic transformation. Tibetans living in India are going through not only epidemiological and demographic transition but they may also be going through lifestyle transition. In Tibet, people were involved in moderate to heavy agricultural or nomadic activities but in India they are increasingly adopting sedentary lifestyles because of the shift in the nature of their occupation and availability of modern transport system both at public and individual levels. This lifestyle shift and its consequences can be implied from study carried out by, Bhatia et al<sup>4,5</sup>, Tripathi et al<sup>14</sup>, Belle Yanyu et al<sup>34</sup> and Norboo et al<sup>27</sup>. Also, Tibetans in India have maintained their distinct culture and food habit which include among others drinking a salted tea.

There is a paucity of information with respect to prevalence, awareness, control and treatment of hypertension and diabetes among the Tibetans in India. There is one published journal related to hypertension<sup>13</sup> and that too is on blood pressure variation among Tibetans at different altitudes. In 2009, Men-Tsee-Khang, also called Tibetan Medical and Astrological Institute headquartered at Dharamsala, did a study on the effect of Tibetan medicine on hypertension and though they reported hypertension prevalence of 46% (age range of 30 and 70 years), the estimate may not be accurate because of selection bias as “In this study Tibetan people within the age range of 30-70 were asked to come for blood pressure screening” (Mentsekhang e-newsletter 2011). A study by Norboo and others<sup>27</sup> showed prevalence of hypertension among people from Ladakh at 37%. The study included Tibetans living in Choglamsar and Jangthang region.

Relatively, there are more published studies on hypertension among the Tibetans living in Tibet (now under China’s occupation), but there too, no studies show prevalence of hypertension for the Tibet region as a whole. One study in Lhasa region<sup>18</sup> reported a prevalence of hypertension as high as 51.2% for the age group of 18 or more. Tibetans seems to be more prone to hypertension as compared other races. Genetic factor (angiotensinogen gene)<sup>20</sup> may be playing an important role in the pathogenesis of essential hypertension among Tibetans. Study by Bei Sun and others<sup>3</sup> indicated angiotensinogen gene 235MM as “a predictor for hypertension development in Tibetan women but not in men, and may exert its hypertensive effect on linkage disequilibrium with a possible function locus of G-6A”.

The current community outreach activities under the CCOCC program of DoHe-CTA will help us better understand, among the Tibetan communities in India, the prevalence of hypertension and diabetes, awareness among those who are hypertensive and diabetic and proportion taking treatment and whether their blood pressure or blood sugar levels were under control or not. The current report is the result of data analysis of the information collected during the house-house screening carried out by DoHe-CTA staffs as a part of CCOCC program activities in 2018 and the map below (fig1) shows the location of the Tibetan settlements, an important element being that the settlements are scattered around all the geographical regions of India i.e. north, north-east, central and south India and at different altitudes.

Hypertension and diabetes are silent killers. Many people with these two conditions do not present with any symptoms and by the time they decides to seek help, many would have presented with life threatening complications or lifelong disability. Stroke is an important complication of these two disease conditions in the Tibetan communities in India (refer annexure 1-4). Most of these complications could be prevented with early detection and control of blood pressure and/or blood sugar. Lifestyle changes and dietary modification would prevent many individuals from having these two disease conditions in the first place.

**Fig1: Tibetan Settlements in India**

**Hospitals & Health Care Centers run by the Department of Health, CTA**



Photo courtesy: Department of Health-Central Tibetan Administration (DoHe-CTA)

## CHAPTER TWO: STUDY DESIGN, SURVEY INSTRUMENT AND DATA COLLECTION & ANALYSIS PLAN

The current study is designed as a population based program implementation research as DoHe-CTA has started the CCOCC program in 2017 under which outreach workers will go house-to-house every month to carry out multiple health interventions including hypertension & diabetes screening and services. And one of the immediate objectives is to identify, by 2018, all the adults who are hypertensive and diabetic. All adults 18 years and above were included in the survey.

In 2014, the investigators (Lobsang Tsering and Tenzin Chodon) used a structured questionnaire to conduct a pilot study in Poanta Tibetan settlement. The pilot study was requirement of an academic program and had gone through technical and ethical review committees. We have used the same structured questionnaire but with slight modification based on the field experience and feedback during the pilot study and while conducting workshops for the DoHe-CTA staffs who served as interviewers for this study. Content of structured questionnaire included socio-demographic information (age, sex, educational qualification, family history of the diseases and dietary & other habits including salted Tibetan tea, tobacco & alcohol use). Occupation was differentiated between monks/nuns and others to see if monks/nuns are at greater risks/odds of hypertension. The general perception is that due to more intake of Tibetan salted tea and also relatively more sedentary lifestyles, the monks have higher risk for hypertension than lay Tibetans.

Interviews were conducted by regular health staffs employed at the settlement health facilities and they include qualified nurses proficient in measuring blood pressures and point-of-care testing of random blood sugar. The field staffs collecting the information for the study were trained during a two day CCOCC workshops; one workshop conducted separately for staff of the regions i.e. South, North & Central and North-East India at three different locations. After returning from the workshop, the staff have gone to house to house and filled the pre-structured paper based form and carried out the screening activities after reading out the participant information form and taking written informed consent.

The data collected in paper-based pre-structured form was entered into EPI-INFO 7 based e-form. Because of the volume of data involved in data entry, double data entry could not be done. However data cleaning was done through “Stata” software program and the missing data in the e-form were crosschecked with the paper form and extreme measurements were verified e.g. age < 18, weight less than 40 or more than 100 kg and height less than 120 and more than 180 cms. Waist less than 60 and more than 150 cms. Also, the outliers in weight, height, waist, blood pressure, random blood sugar were crosschecked. A sample will be evaluated for data entry errors during field visits also; as a part of data entry quality evaluation.

**Blood Pressure (BP) Measurement and Classification:** Two blood pressure measurements were taken (the first BP after resting for ten minutes and then five minutes’ resting between the two measurements i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> BP. The next day, a third and fourth BP measurement were taken at the health facility if the average of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> were found to fulfill the criteria of hypertension i.e. if the average of the systolic and diastolic of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> is 140 and/or 90 or more respectively. Also, they were referred to a doctor for further evaluation.

Recommendations of the WHO and JNC8 (2013) were followed for the classification of hypertension.

BP classification	Systolic BP (mmHg)		Diastolic BP (mmHg)
Normal	<120	and	<80
Prehypertension	120 -139	or	80 – 89
Stage 1 Hypertension	140 -159	or	90 – 99
Stage2 Hypertension	>160	or	>100

**Blood Sugar Measurement and Classification:** Two stage screening was conducted. In the 1<sup>st</sup> stage all persons who were 30 years or above were offered one random blood sugar and those with the value

above 140 mg/dl were offered fasting and post prandial blood sugar. 140 is taken as the cut off to go into 2<sup>nd</sup> stage screening to improve sensitivity. WHO recommendation was followed and fasting blood sugar of > 126 mg/dl will be taken as having diabetes.

Blood Sugar classification	Random Blood Sugar	Fasting Blood Sugar
1 <sup>st</sup> stage screening	>140 mg/dl	
2 <sup>nd</sup> stage screening		>126 mg/dl

If a person was on allopathic medicine for hypertension, then s/he was labelled as hypertensive even if the blood pressure measurement was normal. Similarly, if a person was on allopathic medicine for diabetes, then s/he was labelled as having diabetes even if the blood test was normal.

**Definition of Awareness, Treatment and Control of Hypertension and Diabetes:**

**Awareness of Hypertension & Diabetes:** A person diagnosed as hypertensive or diabetic by a health personal prior to the present study.

**Treatment of Hypertension & Diabetes:** A person previously diagnosed as hypertensive or diabetic by a health personal and was using allopathic medicine to lower blood pressure or blood sugar at the time of survey.

**Control of Hypertension & Diabetes:**

A hypertensive or diabetic person at the time of survey was taking allopathic medicine to control blood pressure or blood sugar and his/her systolic BP is < 140 and diastolic BP is <90. And his/her fasting blood sugar level is equal or less than 126 mg/dl

**Tibetan Tea:**

A traditional tea, taken by Tibetans, is brewed with special tea leaves and then churned with butter, salt and milk and served as tea. Tibetan tea is usually not prepared in cup or glass quantity. It is prepared in bulk and usually stored in a flask for consumption as and when required by members of the house hold.

**Digital sphygmomanometer** WHO STEP surveillance manual (WHO 2017 update) <sup>30</sup> guideline is followed.

(Omron brand) for measuring blood pressure was used as they are easier to carry house-house and they are being used routinely during outreach visits and tested for reliability and accuracy during the survey period by comparing with a machine based at the local health facility. And, they were also checked at regular interval during the survey period by taking blood pressure of at-least two persons with known readings.

**Weight measurement:** WHO STEP surveillance manual (WHO 2017 update) guideline <sup>30</sup> is followed. A digital weighing machines as they are being routinely used during outreach visits and tested for reliability and accuracy by comparing with the weighing machine at the clinic/hospital. And, they were also checked at regular interval during the survey period by taking weight of at-least two persons with known readings

**Height measurement:** WHO STEP surveillance manual (WHO 2017 update) guideline <sup>30</sup> is followed. However considering that place of measurement is at household level, we had to modify slightly and use a steel measuring tape and plastic/wooden ruler to measure the height.

**BMI and Abdominal Waist Measurement:** WHO STEP surveillance manual guideline <sup>30</sup> is followed

BMI is calculated with the formula = {weight in kg / (height in m)<sup>2</sup>}

Abdominal waist circumference is measured at the end of several consecutive natural breathes (end of expiration) using non-stretchable cloth measuring tape, at the level, midpoint between the top of the iliac crest and lower margin of the last palpable rib in the mid axillary line.

BMI Classification (WHO Criteria)			
S No	Classification	Obesity Class	BMI
1	Under weight		<18.5
2	Normal		18.5 – 24.9
3	Over weight		25 – 29.9
4	Obese	I	30 – 34.9
		II	35 – 39.9
	Extreme Obesity	III	>40

Abdominal Waist Circumference (International Diabetes Federation Criteria)			
S No	Country / Ethnic group	Sex	Waist Circumference
1	Europid	Male	>94
		Female	>80
2	South Asian	Male	>90
		Female	>80
3	Chinese	Male	>90
		Female	>80
4	Japanese	Male	>90
		Female	>80

**Hypertension and Diabetes Risk factors:** The population wide behaviour such as physical activity, alcohol consumption, tobacco use and salt intake etc. were included in the questionnaire to observe and understand the current magnitude of these risk factors in the community as they have implication in cardiovascular and other non-communicable diseases (NCD) risks and in future program planning.

**Data Collection and Analysis Plan:** Data was collected using a structured questionnaire on a paper form after explaining and reading out the participant information sheet and then obtaining written consent from the survey participants. It was then entered into Epi-Info 7 software. The data in the Epi-Info 7 was exported to Microsoft Excel format and finally Stata 14 was used for data cleaning and for descriptive and statistical analysis including regression and variance analysis.

## CHAPTER THREE: DESCRIPTIVE ANALYSIS

### Population Covered During the Survey:

The last census (TDS 2009)<sup>9</sup> conducted by Planning Commission of Central Tibetan Administration (CTA) in Dharamsala was in 2009. Since then the population of Tibetans residing in India has been declining steadily.

The current hypertension and diabetes survey was intended to cover all the Tibetan refugee settlements where DoHe-CTA had a health facility and regular staffs. However, during the survey period, staff position in some of the settlements were vacant and survey could not be conducted in these settlements. Table 3.1 and 3.2 show the settlements covered by DoHe-CTA during the household listing (mapping) and population survey carried out in 2017 and it also shows the number of people covered during the household screening (survey) of hypertension and diabetes. An average of **48.52%** of the adult population was covered in the current hypertension and diabetes survey of 2018.

<b>Table 3.1</b>			
<b>Region Wise Participants of HT-DM Survey 2018 &amp; Resident Population in the Household-Listing Survey 2017 (Age 18 and above)</b>			
S No	Region	Current HT_DM Survey n (%)	Household Listing Survey n (%)
1	North India	4816 (46.09)	10448
2	South India	4462 (53.15)	8395
3	Central India	737 (49.36)	1493
4	North-East India	444 (36.39)	1220
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>10459 (48.52)</b>	<b>21556</b>

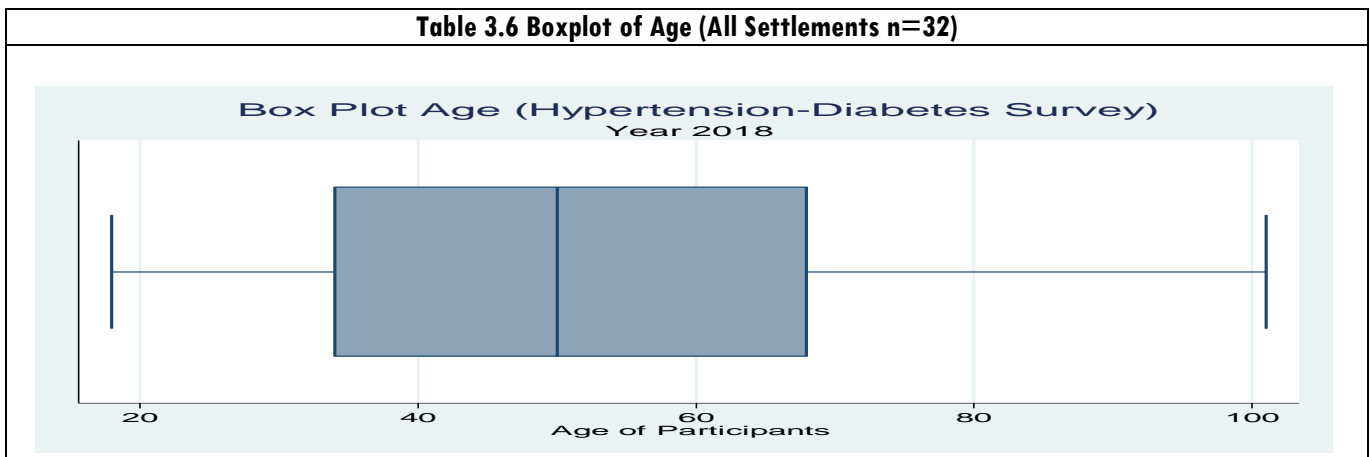
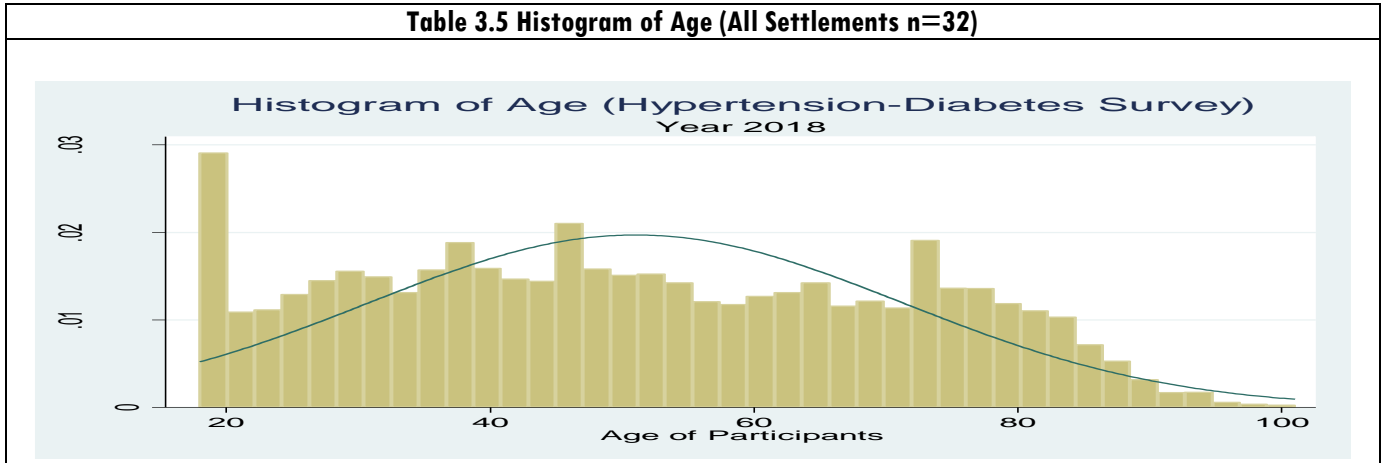
<b>Table 3.2</b>			
<b>Number of Participants in Current Survey and Resident Population in the Household-Listing Survey 2017 (Age 18 and above)</b>			
Settlement		Current HT_DM Survey n (%)	Household Listing Survey n (%)
<b>North India</b>			
1	Bir (HP)	903 (125.59)	719
2	Chauntra (HP)	453	-
3	Clementown (Uttarakhand)		734
4	Dalhousie (HP)		256
5	Dekyiling (Uttarakhand)	584 (47.79)	1222
6	Delhi	397 (34.92)	1137
7	Dharamsala (HP)	833 (29.82)	2793
8	Dholanji (HP)	145 (166.67)	87
9	Kamrao (HP)	45 (100.00)	45
10	Khera (Uttarakhand)	44	-
11	Kullu (HP)		623
12a	Ladakh	1168 (53.68)	2176
12b	Ladakh Jangthang	62 (06.28)	988
13	Lhaxhanwala (Uttarakhand)	123 (64.40)	191

14	Manali (HP)		
15	Manduwala (Uttarakhand)	230 (66.47)	346
16	Poanta (HP)	150 (54.95)	273
17	Pondoh (HP)		236
18	Puruwala (HP)		300
19	Raipur (Uttarakhand)		147
20	Rajpur (Uttarakhand)		194
21	Rewalsar		185
22	Shimla (HP)	176 (37.37)	471
23	Sataun (HP)		95
24	Shrinagar (J &K)		
25	Tashijong (HP)		
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>4816 (46.09)</b>	<b>10448</b>
<b>South India</b>			
26	Bylakuppe (Karnataka)	1796 (62.64)	2867
27	Hunsur (Karnataka)	549 (33.93)	1618
28	Kollegal (Karnataka)	924 (55.13)	1676
29	Mundgod (Karnataka)	1193 (53.40)	2234
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>4462 (53.15)</b>	<b>8395</b>
<b>Central India</b>			
30	Mainpat (Chhattisgarh)	438	-
31	Bhandara (Maharashtra)	207 (49.05)	422
32	Phuntsokling (Odisha)	530 (49.49)	1071
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>737 (49.36)</b>	<b>1493</b>
<b>North East India</b>			
33	Miao (Arunachal Pradesh)	101 (14.21)	711
34	Ravangla (Sikkim)	164	-
35	Sonada (West Bengal)		197
36	Tenzingang (Arunachal Pradesh)	220	-
37	Tezu (Arunachal Pradesh)	343 (67.39)	509
38	Tuting (Arunachal Pradesh)		
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>444 (36.39)</b>	<b>1220</b>
<i>Note: Ladakh includes a settlement in Choglamsar near Leh and eight settlements in Jangthang (Nomads) region</i>			

A total of 11847 adults age 18 and above participated in the survey, out of which 48.43% (n=5738) were male and 51.57% (n=6109) were female. Monks/nuns consisted of 15.12% (n=1791). 93.13% (n=11033) of participants were Tibetans, 2% (n=237) participants had their nationality missing in the database and 4.87% (n=577) were non-Tibetans.

17.62% (n=2088), 16.32% (n=1933), 15.56% (n=1843), 14.20% (n=1682) and 36.30% (n=4301) were in age group of 18-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60 & above respectively. Among senior citizens (age >60) surveyed for hypertension and diabetes; 86.11% (n=3540) were staying with family or other members, 7.20% (n=296) were staying alone, 1.99% (n=82) were staying in monasteries, 4.23% (n=174) were staying in senior citizen's home (OPH).

Table 3.3 Gender (All Settlements n=32)			Table 3.4 Occupation (All Settlements n=32)		
Gender	Frequency (n)	Percentage (%)	Occupation	Frequency (n)	Percentage (%)
Male	5,738	48.43	Monk/Nun	1791	15.12
Female	6,109	51.57	Others	10056	84.88
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,847</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>11.847</b>	<b>100.00</b>



Variable	N	Mean	P50	P25	P75	iqr	Max	Min	sd
Age	11847	51.03	50	34	68	34	101	18	20.24

**Table 3.7**

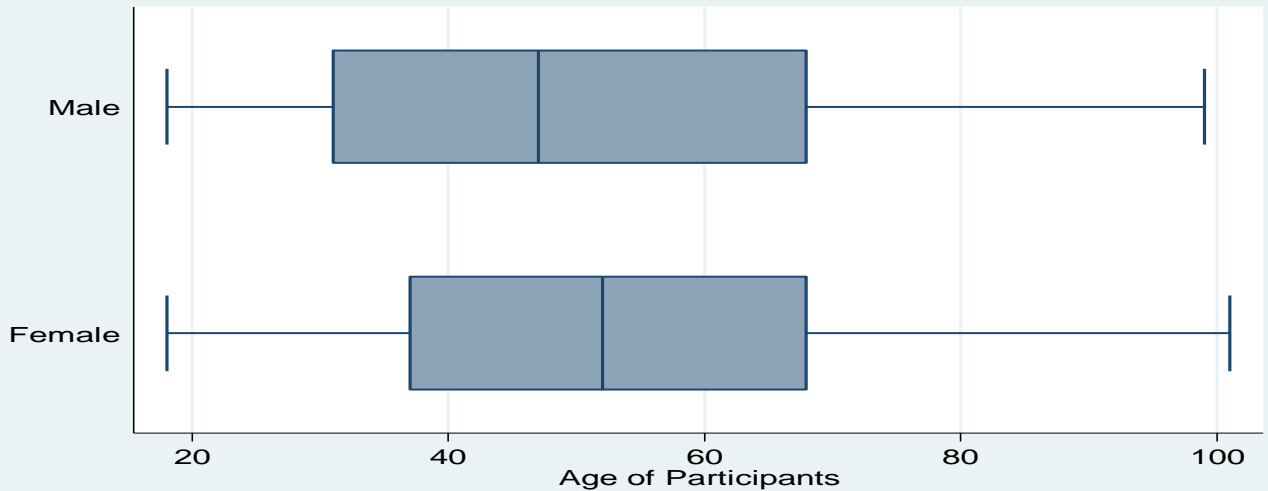
Age-group (All Settlements n=32)			Type of residence if age above 60 years (All Settlements n=32)		
Age-group	Frequency (n)	Percentage (%)	Senior Citizen Residence Type	Frequency (n)	Percentage (%)
18-29	2,088	17.62	Missing	9	00.22
30-39	1,933	16.32	Home alone	296	07.20
40-49	1,843	15.56	Home with family or others	3540	86.11
50-59	1,682	14.20	Monastery	82	01.99
60-max	4,301	36.30	OPH	174	04.23
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,847</b>	<b>100.00</b>	Other	8	00.19
			School	2	00.05
			<b>Total</b>	<b>4111</b>	<b>100.00</b>



The average age of participants was 51.03 years. The average age of female participants was 52.64 and average age of male was 49.31. The average BMI of the participants was 26.27 with 3.01% (n=342) in the under-weight category, 40.27% (n=4576) has normal weight, 37.09% (n=4215) were over-weight and 19.63% (n=2231) were obese as per the WHO criteria. 62.52% (n=6612) have central obesity as per International Diabetes Federation criteria with women having more central obesity at 75.30% (n=4106) and male with 48.93% (n=2506).

**Table 3.8 Boxplot of Age by Gender (All Settlements n=32)**

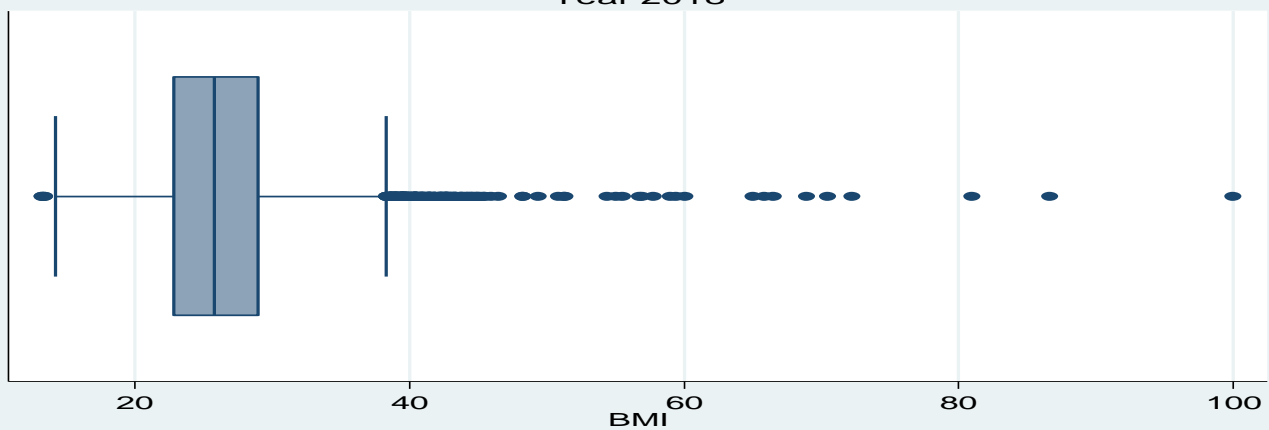
**Boxplot Age of Participant by Gender (Hypertension-Diabetes Survey) Year 2018**



Gender	N	mean	p50	p25	p75	iqr	max	min	sd
Male	5738	49.31	47	31	68	37	99	18	21.17
Female	6109	52.64	52	37	68	31	101	18	19.19

**Table 3.9 Boxplot of BMI (All Settlements n=32)**

**Box Plot BMI (Hypertension-Diabetes Survey) Year 2018**



Title	N	mean	p50	p25	p75	lqr	max	min	sd
BMI	11364	26.27	25.78	22.83	29.03	6.20	100	13.28	5.03

Table 3.10 BMI Category (All Settlement n=32)		
BMI Category	Frequency (n)	Percentage (%)
Underweight	342	3.01
Normal	4576	40.27
Overweight	4215	37.09
Obese	2331	19.63
<b>Total</b>	<b>11364</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Table 3.11 Central Obesity (All Settlement n=31*)			
Category	All n (%)	Male n (%)	Female n (%)
Central Obese	6612 (62.52)	2506 (48.93)	4106 (75.30)
Not Obese	3963 (37.48)	2616 (51.07)	1347 (24.70)
<b>Total</b>	<b>10575</b>	<b>5122</b>	<b>5453</b>

\*Tezu excluded because the waist circumference seem to be measured in centimetre or inches

**Table 3.12 – 3.15: Descriptive Analysis of Individual Settlements**

Table 3.12 Gender by Settlement (n=32)				
S No	Settlement	Male n (%)	Female n (%)	Total (n)
1	Bhandara	88 (42.51)	119 (57.49)	207
2	Bir	547 (60.58)	356 (39.42)	903
3	Bylakuppe	955 (53.17)	841 (46.83)	1796
4	CTA	43 (62.32)	26 (37.68)	69
5	Chauntra	306 (67.55)	147 (32.45)	453
6	Dekyiling	220 (37.67)	364 (62.33)	584
7	Delhi	189 (47.61)	208 (52.39)	397
8	Dharamsala	361 (43.34)	472 (56.66)	833
9	Dholanji	72 (49.66)	73 (50.34)	145
10	Hunsur	238 (43.35)	311 (56.65)	549
11	Kamrao	24 (53.33)	21 (46.67)	45
12	Khera	32 (72.73)	12 (27.27)	44
13	Kollegal	437 (47.29)	487 (52.71)	924
14a	Ladakh	410 (35.10)	758 (64.90)	1168
14b	Ladakh Jangthang	22 (35.48)	40 (64.52)	62
15	Lakhanwala	88 (71.54)	35 (28.46)	123
16	Mainpat	207 (47.26)	231 (52.74)	438
17	Manduwala	131 (56.96)	99 (43.04)	230
18	Miao	31 (30.69)	70 (69.31)	101
19	Mundgod	605 (50.71)	588 (49.29)	1193
20	Odisha	216 (40.75)	314 (59.25)	530
21	Poanta	70 (46.67)	80 (53.33)	150
22	Ravangla	64 (39.02)	100 (60.98)	164
23	Shimla	131 (74.43)	45 (25.57)	176
24	Tenzingang	105 (47.73)	115 (52.27)	220
25	Tezu	146 (42,57)	197 (57.43)	343
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5738 (48.43)</b>	<b>6109 (51.57)</b>	<b>11847</b>

<b>Table 3.13 Occupation by Settlement (All Settlements n=32)</b>				
<b>S No</b>	<b>Settlement Name</b>	<b>Monk/Nun</b>	<b>Others</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	Bhandara	8 (03.86)	199 (96.14)	207
2	Bir	293 (32.45)	610 (67.55)	903
3	Bylakuppe	273 (15.20)	1,523 (84.80)	1,796
4	CTA	0 (00.00)	69 (100.00)	69
5	Chauntra	160 (35.32)	293 (64.68)	453
6	Dekyiling	66 (11.30)	518 (88.70)	584
7	Delhi	10 (02.52)	387 (97.48)	397
8	Dharamsala	230 (27.61)	603 (72.39)	833
9	Dholanji	48 (33.10)	97 (66.90)	145
10	Hunsur	0 (00.00)	549 (100.00)	549
11	Kamrao	0 (00.00)	45 (100.00)	45
12	Khera	15 (34.09)	29 (65.91)	44
13	Kollegal	71 (07.68)	853 (92.32)	924
14a	Ladakh	36 (03.08)	1,132 (96.92)	1,168
14b	Ladakh Jangthang	0 (00.00)	62 (100.00)	62
15	Lakhanwala	4 (03.25)	119 (96.75)	123
16	Mainpat	40 (09.13)	398 (90.87)	438
17	Manduwala	152 (66.09)	78 (33.91)	230
18	Miao	0 (00.00)	101 (100.00)	101
19	Mundgod	295 (24.73)	898 (75.27)	1,193
20	Odisha	0 (00.00)	530 (100.00)	530
21	Poanta	0 (00.00)	150 (100.00)	150
22	Rabangla	1 (00.61)	163 (99.39)	164
23	Shimla	83 (47.16)	93 (52.84)	176
24	Tenzingang	6 (02.73)	214 (97.27)	220
25	Tezu	0 (00.00)	343 (100.00)	343
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,791 (15.12)</b>	<b>10,056 (84.88)</b>	<b>11,847</b>

Note: It is obvious that many settlements fail to include majority of the monks/nuns in the survey

<b>Table 3.14 Age-group by Settlement (n=32)</b>							
<b>S No</b>	<b>Settlement</b>	<b>18-29</b>	<b>30-39</b>	<b>40-49</b>	<b>50-59</b>	<b>60-max</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	Bhandara	9 (04.35)	17 (08.21)	27 (13.04)	29 (14.01)	125 (60.39)	207
2	Bir	375 (41.53)	137 (15.17)	128 (14.17)	79 (08.75)	184 (20.38)	903
3	Bylakuppe	504 (28.06)	214 (11.92)	248 (13.81)	229 (12.75)	601 (33.46)	1796
4	CTA	16 (23.19)	25 (36.23)	18 (26.09)	8 (11.59)	2 (02.90)	69
5	Chauntra	142 (31.35)	99 (21.85)	46 (10.15)	49 (10.82)	117 (25.83)	453
6	Dekyiling	70 (11.99)	114 (19.52)	93 (15.92)	93 (15.92)	214 (36.64)	584
7	Delhi	44 (11.08)	103 (25.94)	102 (25.69)	68 (17.13)	80 (20.15)	397
8	Dharamsala	108 (12.97)	164 (19.69)	131 (15.73)	110 (13.21)	320 (38.42)	833
9	Dholanji	22 (15.17)	58 (40.00)	18 (12.41)	12 (08.28)	35 (24.14)	145
10	Hunsur	45 (08.20)	75 (13.66)	91 (16.58)	82 (14.94)	256 (46.63)	549
11	Kamrao	0 (00.00)	10 (22.22)	6 (13.33)	8 (17.78)	21 (46.67)	45
12	Khera	17 (38.64)	9 (20.45)	3 (06.82)	6 (13.64)	9 (20.45)	44
13	Kollegal	104 (11.26)	105 (11.36)	136 (14.72)	141 (15.26)	438 (47.40)	924
14a	Ladakh	116 (09.93)	209 (17.89)	203 (17.38)	222 (19.01)	418 (35.79)	1168
14b	Ladakh Jangthang	14 (22.58)	12 (19.35)	7 (11.29)	8 (12.90)	21 (33.87)	62

15	Lakhanwala	10 (08.13)	8 (06.50)	13 (10.57)	12 (09.76)	80 (65.04)	123
16	Mainpat	70 (15.98)	51 (11.64)	67 (15.30)	63 (14.38)	187 (42.69)	438
17	Manduwala	103 (44.78)	58 (11.64)	19 (08.26)	13 (05.65)	37 (16.09)	230
18	Miao	1 (00.99)	3 (02.97)	18 (17.82)	30 (29.70)	49 (48.51)	101
19	Mundgod	167 (14.00)	202 (16.93)	210 (17.82)	164 (13.75)	450 (37.72)	1193
20	Odisha	24 (04.53)	65 (12.26)	76 (14.34)	100 (18.87)	265 (50.00)	530
21	Poanta	17 (11.33)	15 (10.00)	29 (19.33)	18 (12.00)	71 (47.33)	150
22	Ravangla	23 (14.02)	28 (17.07)	29 (17.68)	34 (20.73)	50 (30.49)	164
23	Shimla	49 (27.84)	27 (15.34)	21 (11.93)	15 (08.52)	64 (36.36)	176
24	Tenzingang	20 (09.09)	71 (32.27)	49 (22.27)	30 (13.64)	50 (22.73)	220
25	Tezu	18 (05.25)	54 (15.74)	55 (16.03)	59 (17.20)	157 (45.77)	343
<b>Total</b>		<b>2088 (17.62)</b>	<b>1933 (16.32)</b>	<b>1843 (15.56)</b>	<b>1682 (14.20)</b>	<b>4301 (36.30)</b>	<b>11847</b>

<b>Table 3.15 Settlement with Type of Residence of Senior Citizen (All Settlements n=32)</b>						
<b>S No</b>	<b>Settlement</b>	<b>Home alone</b>	<b>Home with family or others</b>	<b>Monastery</b>	<b>OPH</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	Bhandara	0 (00.00)	105 (88.24)	0 (00.00)	14 (11.76)	119
2	Bir	11 (06.25)	160 (90.91)	5 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	176
3	Bylakuppe	27 (04.65)	510 (87.78)	9 (01.55)	35 (06.02)	581
4	CTA	1 (50.00)	1 (50.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2
5	Chauitra	11 (10.19)	80 (74.07)	1 (00.93)	16 (14.81)	108
6	Dekyiling	5 (02.40)	203 (97.60)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	208
7	Delhi	7 (09.72)	64 (88.89)	1 (01.39)	0 (00.00)	72
8	Dharamsala	93 (30.10)	201 (65.05)	10 (03.24)	5 (01.62)	309
9	Dholanji	5 (14.71)	29 (85.29)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	34
10	Hunsur	10 (04.15)	217 (90.04)	0 (00.00)	14 (05.81)	241
11	Kamrao	0 (00.00)	17 (100.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	17
12	Khera	2 (25.00)	6 (75.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	8
13	Kollegal	10 (02.41)	355 (85.54)	23 (05.54)	27 (06.51)	415
14a	Ladakh	27 (06.82)	359 (85.54)	10 (02.54)	0 (00.00)	396
14b	Ladakh Jangthang	2 (02.21)	17 (85.00)	1 (05.00)	0 (00.00)	20
15	Lakhanwala	3 (06.52)	38 (48.72)	0 (00.00)	37 (47.44)	78
16	Mainpat	4 (02.21)	177 (97.79)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	181
17	Manduwala	4 (11.76)	30 (88.24)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	34
18	Miao	3 (06.52)	42 (91.30)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	46
19	Mundgod	11 (02.55)	403 (93.29)	15 (03.47)	3 (00.69)	432
20	Odisha	19 (07.57)	231 (92.03)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.41)	251
21	Poanta	4 (06.25)	60 (93.75)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	64
22	Ravangla	5 (10.87)	40 (86.96)	1 (02.17)	0 (00.00)	46
23	Shimla	1 (01.61)	35 (56.45)	6 (09.68)	20 (32.26)	62
24	Tenzingang	10 (20.83)	38 (79.17)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	48
25	Tezu	21 (14.58)	122 (84.72)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.69)	144
<b>Total</b>		<b>269 (07.23)</b>	<b>3540 (86.51)</b>	<b>82 (02.00)</b>	<b>174 (04.25)</b>	<b>4092</b>
<i>*In larger settlements with their own facilities (e.g. Mundgod, Bylakuppe monasteries it seems were not covered in this survey)</i>						
<i>**Some of the OPH were not covered it seems</i>						

## CHAPTER FOUR: PREVALENCE, AWARENESS AND CONTROL OF HYPERTENSION

### PREVALENCE, AWARENESS, TREATMENT AND CONTROL OF HYPERTENSION (AGE 18 AND ABOVE) ALL SETTLEMENT

Hypertension Prevalence (All Settlements n=32)		
Hypertension status	Frequency (n)	Percentage (%)
Hypertension YES	4330	36.55
Hypertension NO	7304	61.65
Missing Data	213	1.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,847</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Hypertension Category (All Settlements n=32)		
Hypertension Category	Frequency (n)	Percentage (%)
<b>2= Hypertensive and under control with medication</b>	713	16.47
<b>3= Hypertensive and not under control (medicine or no medicine)</b>	1598	36.91
<b>4= Hypertension newly diagnosed during survey (new i.e. participant not aware that he is hypertensive)</b>	2019	46.63
<b>Total</b>	<b>4330</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Hypertension Category and Senior Citizen (All Settlements n=32)					
Hypertension Category	Home Alone n (%)	Home with Family/Other n (%)	Monastery n (%)	OPH n (%)	Total n (%)
<b>2= Hypertensive and under control with medication</b>	37 (21.76)	481 (21.81)	3 (06.38)	26 (22.41)	<b>547 (21.55)</b>
<b>3= Hypertensive and not under control (medicine or no medicine)</b>	74 (43.53)	985 (44.67)	26 (55.32)	45 (38.79)	<b>1130 (44.52)</b>
<b>4= Hypertension newly diagnosed during survey (new i.e. participant not aware that he is hypertensive)</b>	59 (34.71)	739 (33.51)	18 (38.30)	45 (39.79)	<b>861 (33.92)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>2205</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>2538</b>

*Fisher's Exact Test (p-value=0.141)*

Table: Hypertension Status by Settlements (All Settlements n=32)				
Settlement		Hypertension YES	Hypertension NO	Total
<b>North India</b>				
1	BIR_Bir (HP)	229 (25.42)	672 (74.58)	901
2	Chauntra (HP)	161 (35.54)	292 (64.46)	453
3	Dekyiling (Uttarakhand)	199 (38.57)	317 (61.43)	516
4	Delhi	140 (36.55)	243 (63.43)	383
5	Dharamsala (HP)	262 (29.13)	637 (70.86)	899
6	Dholanji (HP)	32 (22.07)	113 (77.93)	145
7	Kamrao (HP)	18 (40.00)	27 (60.00)	45
8	Khera (Uttarakhand)	8 (18.18)	36 (81.82)	44
9a	Ladakh	473 (40.53)	694 (59.47)	1167

9b	Ladakh Jangthang	17 (27.42)	45 (72.58)	62
10	Lhaxhanwala (Uttarakhand)	54 (44.26)	68 (55.74)	122
11	Manduwala (Uttarakhand)	38 (16.67)	190 (83.33)	228
12	Poanta (HP)	49 (32.67)	101 (67.33)	150
13	Shimla (HP)	52 (29.89)	122 (70.11)	174
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>1732 (32.75)</b>	<b>3557 (67.25)</b>	<b>5289</b>
<b>South India</b>				
14	Bylakuppe (Karnataka)	586 (33.76)	1150 (66.24)	1736
15	Hunsur (Karnataka)	265 (48.27)	284 (51.73)	549
16	Kollegal (Karnataka)	429 (46.43)	496 (53.57)	924
17	Mundgod (Karnataka)	465 (39.08)	725 (60.92)	1190
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>1745 (39.67)</b>	<b>2654 (60.33)</b>	<b>4399</b>
<b>Central India</b>				
18	Mainpat (Chhattisgarh)	173 (40.52)	254 (59.48)	427
19	Bhandara (Maharashtra)	89 (43.63)	115 (56.37)	204
20	Phunstokling (Odisha)	258 (49.33)	265 (50.67)	523
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>520 (45.06)</b>	<b>634 (54.94)</b>	<b>1154</b>
<b>North East India</b>				
21	Miao (Arunachal Pradesh)	61 (60.40)	40 (39.60)	101
22	Ravangla (Sikkim)	72 (47.68)	79 (52.32)	151
23	Tenzingang (Arunachal Pradesh)	51 (25.50)	149 (74.50)	200
24	Tezu (Arunachal Pradesh)	149 (43.82)	191 (56.18)	340
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>333 (42.05)</b>	<b>459 (57.95)</b>	<b>792</b>
<i>Note: Ladakh includes Settlement in Choglamsar near Leh and eight settlements in Nomadic Jangthang regions</i>				

<b>Table: Hypertension Status by Settlements (All Settlements n=32)</b>						
<b>Settlement</b>		<b>Hypertensive and under control with medication n (%)</b>	<b>Hypertensive and not under control (medicine or no medicine) n (%)</b>	<b>Hypertension newly diagnosed during survey** n (%)</b>	<b>Hypertension detected only during pregnancy n (%)</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>North India</b>						
1	Bir (HP)	50 (21.74)	86 (37.39)	93 (40.43)	1 (00.43)	230
2	Chauntra (HP)	32 (19.88)	58 (36.02)	71 (44.10)	0 (00.00)	161
3	Dekyiling (Uttarakhand)	23 (19.88)	83 (41.71)	93 (46.73)	0 (00.00)	199
4	Delhi	16 (11.43)	49 (35.00)	75 (53.57)	0 (00.00)	140
5	Dharamsala (HP)	54 (20.45)	116 (43.94)	92 (34.85)	2 (00.76)	264
6	Dholanji (HP)	6 (18.75)	12 (37.50)	14 (43.75)	0 (00.00)	32
7	Kamrao (HP)	0 (00.00)	8 (44.44)	10 (55.56)	0 (00.00)	18
8	Khera (Uttarakhand)	1 (12.50)	5 (62.50)	2 (25.00)	0 (00.00)	8
9a	Ladakh	39 (08.04)	216 (44.54)	218 (44.95)	12 (02.47)	485
9b	Ladakh Jangthang	4 (23.53)	8 (47.06)	5 (29.41)	0 (00.00)	17

10	Lhaxhanwala (Uttarakhand)	10 (18.52)	19 (35.19)	25 (46.30)	0 (00.00)	54
11	Manduwala (Uttarakhand)	9 (23.68)	7 (18.42)	22 (57.89)	0 (00.00)	38
12	Poanta (HP)	13 (26.00)	24 (48.00)	12 (24.00)	1 (02.00)	50
13	Shimla (HP)	5 (09.62)	27 (51.92)	20 (38.46)	0 (00.00)	52
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>262 (14.99)</b>	<b>718 (41.08)</b>	<b>752 (43.02)</b>	<b>16 (00.92)</b>	<b>1748</b>
<b>South India</b>						
14	Bylakuppe (Karnataka)	94 (16.04)	209 (35.67)	283 (48.29)	0 (00.00)	586
15	Hunsur (Karnataka)	45 (16.73)	103 (38.29)	117 (43.49)	4 (01.49)	269
16	Kollegal (Karnataka)	90 (20.98)	189 (44.06)	150 (34.97)	0 (00.00)	429
17	Mundgod (Karnataka)	112 (24.03)	641 (36.63)	763 (43.60)	5 (00.29)	1750
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>341 (19.49)</b>	<b>641 (36.63)</b>	<b>763 (43.60)</b>	<b>5 (00.29)</b>	<b>1750</b>
<b>Central India</b>						
18	Mainpat (Chhattisgarh)	1 (00.58)	25 (14.45)	147 (84.97)	0 (00.00)	173
19	Bhandara (Maharashtra)	15 (16.85)	33 (37.08)	41 (46.07)	0 (00.00)	89
20	Phuntsokling (Odisha)	81 (31.03)	105 (40.23)	72 (27.25)	3 (01.15)	261
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>97 (18.55)</b>	<b>163 (31.17)</b>	<b>260 (49.71)</b>	<b>3 (00.57)</b>	<b>523</b>
<b>North East India</b>						
21	Miao (Arunachal Pradesh)	4 (06.56)	41 (67.21)	16 (26.23)	0 (00.00)	61
22	Ravangla (Sikkim)	4 (05.56)	14 (19.44)	54 (75.00)	0 (00.00)	72
23	Tenzingang (Arunachal)	4 (07.69)	20 (38.46)	27 (51.92)	1 (01.92)	52
24	Tezu (Arunachal)	1 (00.67)	1 (00.67)	147 (98.66)	0 (00.00)	149
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>13 (03.89)</b>	<b>76 (22.75)</b>	<b>244 (73.05)</b>	<b>1 (00.30)</b>	<b>334</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>713 (16.37)</b>	<b>1598 (36.63)</b>	<b>2019 (46.36)</b>	<b>25 (00.29)</b>	<b>4355</b>
<i>Note: Ladakh includes Settlement in Choglamsar near Leh and eight settlements in Nomadic Jangthang regions</i> <i>**new i.e. participant not aware that he is hypertensive</i>						

#### CHAPTER FOUR: PREVALENCE, AWARENESS, TREATMENT AND CONTROL OF DIABETES

<b>Table: Population with Random Blood Sugar Above Various Cut off Points (All Settlements n=32)</b>				
Random Blood Sugar	Above 140 n (%)	Above 160 n (%)	Above 180 n (%)	Above 200 n (%)
<b>Above Cutoff Level</b>	2094 (21.94)	1152 (12.07)	744 (7.80)	504 (05.28)
<b>Below Cutoff Level</b>	7449 (78.06)	8391 (87.93)	8799 (92.20)	9039 (94.72)
<b>Total</b>	9543 (100.00)	9543 (100.00)	9543 (100.00)	9543 (100.00)

**Table: Random Blood Sugar Above Various Cut off Points  
(By Region and Settlements n=31)**

Settlement		RBS above 140	RBS above 160	RBS above 180	RBS above 200
<b>North India</b>					
1	Bir (HP)	94 (17.87)	57 (10.84)	38 (07.22)	34 (06.46)
2	Chauntra (HP)	71 (22.90)	35 (11.29)	21 (06.77)	13 (04.19)
3	Dekyiling (Uttarakhand)	90 (19.35)	47 (10.11)	33 (07.10)	21 (04.19)
4	Delhi	207 (61.61)	88 (26.19)	58 (17.26)	19 (05.65)
5	Dharamsala (HP)	173 (24.06)	95 (13.21)	56 (07.79)	37 (05.15)
6	Dholanji (HP)	30 (24.59)	17 (13.66)	8 (06.56)	6 (04.92)
7	Kamrao (HP)	7 (15.91)	3 (06.82)	1 (02.27)	0 (00.00)
8	Khera (Uttarakhand)	4 (15.91)	2 (07.41)	2 (07.41)	2 (07.41)
9a	Ladakh	126 (11.98)	66 (06.27)	39 (03.71)	32 (03.04)
9b	Ladakh Jangthang	6 (12.50)	1 (02.08)	1 (02.08)	1 (02.08)
10	Lhakhawala (Uttarakhand)	36 (32.14)	27 (24.11)	21 (18.75)	16 (14.29)
11	Manduwala (Uttarakhand)	16 (12.60)	9 (07.20)	6 (04.80)	3 (02.40)
12	Poanta (HP)	49 (37.12)	31 (23.48)	19 (14.39)	12 (09.09)
13	Shimla (HP)	21 (16.67)	7 (05.56)	4 (03.17)	3 (02.38)
<b>Total</b>		<b>930 (22.44)</b>	<b>485 (11.70)</b>	<b>307 (07.41)</b>	<b>199 (04.80)</b>
<b>South India</b>					
14	Bylakuppe (Karnataka)	226 (18.14)	135 (10.83)	88 (07.06)	64 (05.14)
15	Hunsur (Karnataka)	154 (30.74)	93 (18.56)	52 (10.38)	35 (06.99)
16	Kollegal (Karnataka)	210 (23.58)	111 (13.54)	78 (09.51)	52 (06.34)
17	Mundgod (Karnataka)	241 (23.58)	148 (14.48)	98 (09.59)	75 (07.34)
<b>Total</b>		<b>831 (23.15)</b>	<b>487 (13.57)</b>	<b>316 (08.80)</b>	<b>226 (06.30)</b>
<b>Central India</b>					
18	Mainpat (Chhattisgarh)	72 (19.83)	47 (12.95)	32 (08.82)	25 (06.89)
19	Bhandara (Maharashtra)	41 (22.91)	16 (08.94)	8 (04.47)	5 (02.79)
20	Phuntsokling (Odisha)	140 (27.19)	69 (13.69)	44 (08.73)	28 (05.56)
<b>Total</b>		<b>253 (24.19)</b>	<b>132 (12.62)</b>	<b>84 (08.03)</b>	<b>58 (05.54)</b>
<b>North East India</b>					
21	Miao (Arunachal Pradesh)	18 (18.00)	9 (09.00)	8 (8.00)	2 (02.00)
22	Ravangla (Sikkim)	27 (19.15)	13 (09.22)	10 (07.09)	7 (04.96)
23	Tenzingang (Arunachal)	13 (06.50)	7 (03.50)	6 (03.00)	1 (00.50)
24	Tezu (Arunachal)	22 (06.81)	19 (05.88)	13 (04.02)	11 (03.41)
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>80 (10.47)</b>	<b>48 (06.28)</b>	<b>37 (04.84)</b>	<b>21 (02.75)</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2094 (21.94)</b>	<b>1152 (12.07)</b>	<b>744 (07.80)</b>	<b>504 (05.28)</b>



**CHAPTER FIVE: RISK FACTORS & LOGISTIC REGRESSION ANALYSIS FOR TIBETANS**

**Table 5.1 Risk Factors**

S No	Behavior / Risk Factor	YES {n, (%)}		NO {n, (%)}	
1	Do you on an average exercise or walk briskly for more than 20 minutes daily (q20walk)	6008 (55.56)		4806 (44.44)	
2	Do you currently use alcohol? (q19alcohol)	1109 (10.28)		9674 (89.72)	
3	Do you currently use tobacco in any form? (q18tobacco)	666 (06.21)		10062 (93.79)	
4	If YES to tobacco, do you currently smoke cigarette or biddies or hookah? (q18a_smoke)	509 (07.05)		6714 (92.95)	
5	Do you have blood relatives with history of Diabetes? (q17dmhis)	984 (11.79)		7360 (88.21)	
6	Do you have blood relatives with history of hypertension? (q16hthis)	2692 (31.94)		5737 (68.06)	
7	Do you usually drink Tibetan tea (exclude occasional social gathering)? (q9tibtea)	5148 (44.24)		5839 (55.76)	
8	Do you usually use (1) very low/no (2) low (3) moderate (4) high salt in your daily meals? (q10salt)	High	Moderate	Low	Very low /NO
		889 (08.83)	5842 (58.02)	2792 (27.73)	546 (5.42)

**Table 5.2 Do “Monk/Nun” as occupation has higher risk of hypertension as compared to Occupation “Others”?**

**Simple Logistic Regression Analysis Adjusted for Age and Sex. Only Tibetan Ethnicity Included**

S no	Variables Description	Variable Name	Hypertension NO	Hypertension YES	OR (Odds Ratio)	CI (95%) (Confidence Interval)	p - value
1	<b>Occupation</b>	occu_logi	<b>n=6625 (61.16%)</b>	<b>n=4207 (38.84%)</b>			
	Others		5921 (60.03%)	3,943 (39.97%)	Ref = 1.00		
	Monks/Nuns		704 (72.73%)	264 (27.27%)	1.38	1.16-1.64	<0.001

**Table 5.3: Factors Influencing Hypertension or Diabetes Status  
Simple Logistic Regression Analysis Unadjusted. Only Tibetan Ethnicity Included**

S no	Variables Description	Variable Name	Hypertension NO	Hypertension YES	OR (Odds Ratio)	CI (95%) (Confidence Interval)	p - value
1	<b>Occupation</b>	occu_logi	<b>n=6625 (61.16%)</b>	<b>N=4207 (38.84%)</b>			
	Others		5921 (60.03%)	3,943 (39.97%)	Ref = 1.00		
	Mons/Nuns		704 (72.73%)	264 (27.27%)	0.56	0.49 – 0.65	<0.001
2	<b>Gender</b>	sex_logi	<b>n=6,625 (61.16%)</b>	<b>n=4,207 (38.84%)</b>			
	Female		3,730 (64.31%)	2,070 (35.69%)	Ref = 1.00		
	Male		2,895 (57.53%)	2,137 (42.47%)	1.33	1.23-1.44	<0.001
3	<b>Age Group</b>	age_logi	<b>n=6,621 (61.16%)</b>	<b>n=4,205 (38.84%)</b>			
	18 – 29		1,395 (91.12%)	136 (08.88%)	Ref = 1.00		
	30 - 39		1,488 (84.07%)	282 (15.93%)	1.94	1.56-2.42	<0.001
	40 – 49		1,252 (72.08%)	485 (27.92%)	3.97	3.24-4.88	<0.001
	50 – 59		928 (57.50%)	686 (42.50%)	7.58	6.20-9.28	<0.001
	60 and above		1,558 (37.33%)	2,616 (62.67%)	17.22	14.29-20.76	<0.001
4	<b>Exercise/Walk</b>	walk_logi	<b>n=6,544 (61.08%)</b>	<b>n=4,169 (38.92%)</b>			
	YES		3,617 (60.70%)	2,342 (39.30%)	Ref = 1.00		
	NO		2,927 (61.57%)	1,827 (38.43%)	0.96	0.89-1.04	0.358
5	<b>Alcohol Use</b>	alcohol_logi	<b>n=6,532 (61.15%)</b>	<b>n=4,150 (38.85%)</b>			

	NO		5,979 (62.35%)	3,610 (37.65%)	Ref = 1.00		
	YES		553 (50.59%)	540 (49.41%)	1.62	1.43-1.83	<0.001
6	<b>Tobacco Use</b>	tobacco_logi	<b>n=6,503 (61.18%)</b>	<b>n=4,126 (38.82%)</b>			
	NO		6,104 (61.21%)	3868 (38.79%)	Ref = 1.00		
	YES		399 (60.73%)	258 (39.27%)	1.02	0.87-1.20	0.807
7	<b>Smoking</b>	smoke_logi	<b>n=4,358 (60.77%)</b>	<b>n=2,813 (39.23%)</b>			
	NO		4,042 (60.63%)	2,625 (39.37%)	Ref=1.00		
	YES		316 (62.70%)	188 (37.30%)	0.91	0.76-1.10	0.359
8	<b>Family History of Diabetes</b>	dmhis_logi	<b>n=5,119 (61.82%)</b>	<b>n=3,162 (38.18%)</b>			
	NO		4,508 (61.74%)	2,794 (38.26%)	Ref=1.00		
	YES		611 (62.41%)	368 (37.59%)	0.97	0.85-1.12	0.684
9	<b>Family History of Hypertension</b>	hthis_logi	<b>n=5,141 (61.46%)</b>	<b>n=3,224 (38.54%)</b>			
	NO		3,553 (62.39%)	2,142 (37.61%)	Ref=1.00		
	YES		1,588 (59.48%)	1,082 (40.52%)	1.13	1.03-1.24	0.011
10	<b>Tibetan Tea</b>	tibtea_logi	<b>n=6,243 (60.17%)</b>	<b>n=4,133 (39.83%)</b>			
	NO		3,434 (59.25%)	2,362 (40.75%)	Ref=1.00		
	YES		2,809 (61.33%)	1,771 (38.67%)	0.92	0.85-0.99	0.031
11	<b>Salt Intake</b>		<b>n=6,009 (60.23%)</b>	<b>n=3,967 (39.77%)</b>			
	Very Low		270 (50.00%)	270 (50.00%)	Ref=1.00		
	Low		1,421 (51.37%)	1,345 (48.63%)	0.94	0.79-1.14	0.559
	Moderate		3,716 (64.25%)	2,068 (35.75%)	0.55	0.47-0.66	<0.001
	High		602 (67.95%)	284 (32.05%)	0.47	0.38-0.59	<0.001

Age profile of “Monks/Nuns” and “Others” occupation in the survey sample differ vastly. Monk/Nun participants were much younger. Is it possible that the adult age-group of Tibetans living in the monasteries are younger as compared to settlements? Is it possible that younger age group in the monasteries is reflected because many young lay adult Tibetans are not in the settlements either temporarily or permanently as they are working outside, studying in the college or had immigrated?. It is possible that we have not been able to get representative sample from the larger monasteries. Even during the house-house listing, larger monasteries were not represented adequately. What could be the barriers and bottle necks for DoHe-CTA staffs not conducting surveys efficiently in the large monasteries?

After adjusting for age and sex, there is reversal of the odds ratio and “Monk/Nun” as an occupation may have higher odds (risk) of hypertension as compared to “Others” occupation meaning “Monks/Nuns were more likely to be hypertensive by 1.38 times (p-value <0.001) as compared to occupation “Others”. A study that has larger and representative sample of monks/nuns is required to validate the above finding.

Salt intake by Tibetans seems to have protective effect in the unadjusted regression analysis. That goes against the convention as other studies<sup>35, 41, 42</sup> have shown the contrary. The current survey data needs to be adjusted for confounders and look for interactions. Also risk assessment need to be presented using an appropriate model with all the other known predictors. What might be happening here is that those who are hypertensive have modified their behavior and already taking no or less Tibetan tea and salt in their diet; a possibility one need to consider.

## CHAPTER SIX: FINDINGS, DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATIONS

### FINDINGS:

11,847 adults age 18 and above from thirty two settlements (including 8 from Jangthang region of Ladakh) participated in the house-house screening of hypertension and diabetes in 2018. This included 48.52% of the adult population from house hold listing survey (census) carried out in 2017. Among the participants in the hypertension and diabetes survey, 9.92% (n=1175), 45.43% (n=5382), 6.99% (n=828) and 37.66% (n=4462) were from Central, North, North-East and South India respectively. Male consists of 48.43% (n=5738) and 51.57% (n=6109) were female. 63.70% (n=7546) were in the age-group of 18-59, while senior citizen (above 60 years) made up of 36.30% (n=4301) of the participants. 4.87% (n=577) among the participants were non-Tibetans.

Table 6.1 shows that in the current survey, the hypertension prevalence among adult (18 years and above) Tibetans living in India was **38.84%** (n=4205).

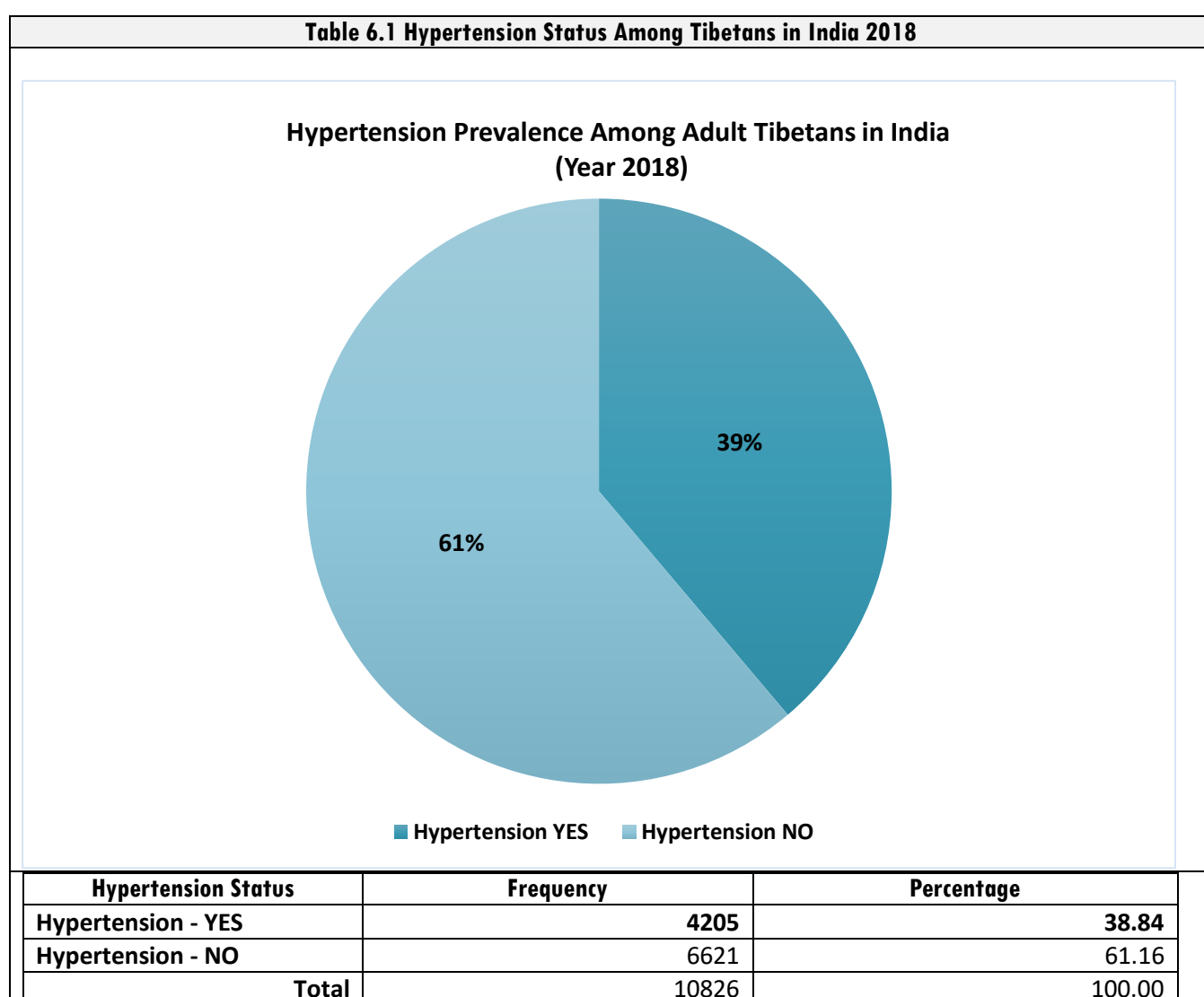
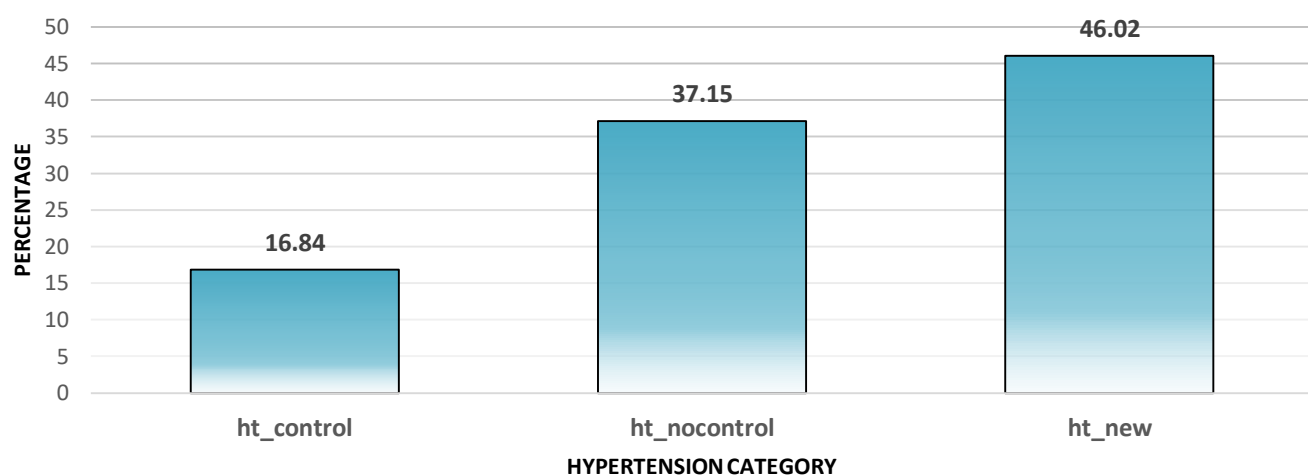


Table 6.2 shows that among those who were hypertensive and Tibetan, 16.84% (n=708) of them had their blood pressure under control while 37.15% (n=1562) were not under control (medicine or no medicine) and 46.02% (n=1935) were newly diagnosed as hypertensive during the current house-house screening.

**Table 6.2: Hypertension Category Among Tibetans Resident in 32 Settlements in India (2018 )**



Hypertension Category	Frequency (n)	Percentage (%)
2= Hypertensive and under control with medication	708	16.84
3= Hypertensive and not under control (medicine or no medicine)	1562	37.15
4= Hypertension newly diagnosed during survey (new i.e. participant not aware that he is hypertensive)	1935	46.02
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4205</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Table 6.3 shows hypertensive category among those who were above 60 years (senior citizen) and their residence type. Hypertensive among senior citizens whose blood pressure were controlled with residence category as home alone, home with family members or others, monastery and OPH (senior citizen home) were 22.01% (n=35), 21.82% (n=480), 07.32% (n=3) and 22.41% (n=26) respectively. Hypertensive and also whose blood pressure were not controlled among senior citizens with residence category as home alone, home with family members or others, monastery and OPH were 43.40% (n=69), 44.73% (n=984), 48.78% (20) and 38.79% (45) respectively. Hypertensive and newly diagnosed during the survey among senior citizens with residence category as home alone, home with family members or others, monastery and OPH are 34.59% (n=55), 33.45% (n=736), 43.90% (n=18) and 38.79% (n=45) respectively.

**Table 6.3: Hypertension Category Among Tibetans Above 60 Years of Age and Residence Type**

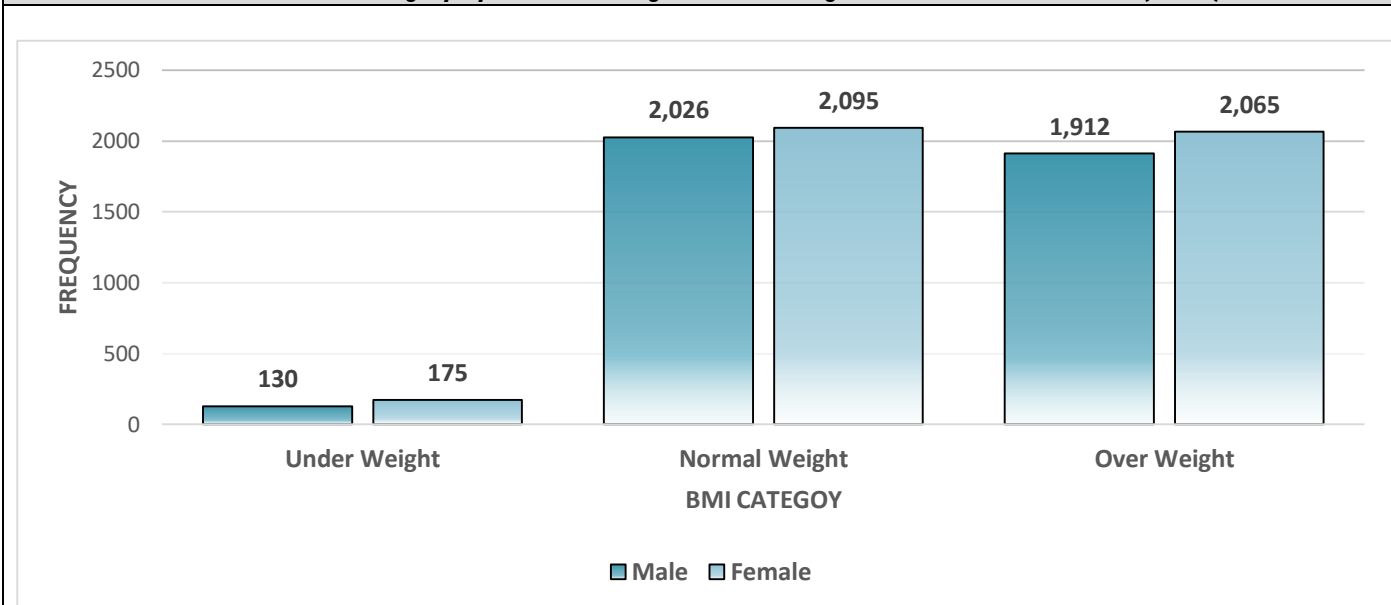
Category	Home Alone	Home with Family/Other	Monastery	OPH	Total
<b>2= Hypertensive and under control with medication</b>	35 (22.01)	480 (21.82)	3 (07.32)	26 (22.41)	<b>544 (21.62)</b>
<b>3= Hypertensive and not under control (medicine or no medicine)</b>	69 (43.40)	984 (44.73)	20 (48.78)	45 (38.79)	<b>1,118 (44.44)</b>
<b>4= Hypertension newly diagnosed during survey (new i.e. participant not aware that he is hypertensive)</b>	55 (34.59)	736 (33.45)	18 (43.90)	45 (38.79)	<b>854 (33.94)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>2,516</b>

Random blood sugar (RBS) was measured for participants age 30 and above. The table 6.4 shows that out of 9843 participants with random blood sugar (RBS) above 140 mg/dl, the record of fasting blood sugar (FBS) was available for 998. And that is only 10.14% of the participants with RBS of > 140 mg/dl. As a result the FBS sample may not be representative of the population having RBS > 140 mg/dl and it may not be wise to present diabetes prevalence based on FBS result from the current study. As an interim measure, the author had to use random blood sugar cut-of at 200 mg/dl and reported their prevalence in table 6.5. In the current study, **5.31%** (n=492) of the participants had RBS above 200 mg/dl.

<b>Table 6.4: PREVALENCE, AWARENESS, TREATMENT AND CONTROL OF DIABETES (AGE 30 AND ABOVE)</b>				
<b>Population Surveyed for Blood Sugar Disaggregated by Settlement (n=32)</b>				
<b>S No</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Random Blood Sugar &gt;140 n (%)</b>	<b>Fasting Blood Sugar n (%)</b>	<b>Percentage FBS (%)</b>
1	Bhandara	179	45	25.14
2	Bir	526	21	03.99
3	Bylakuppe	1246	83	06.66
4	CTA (Dharamsala)	53	4	07.55
5	Chauntra	310	9	02.90
6	Dekyiling	465	9	01.93
	Delhi	336	241	71.73
7	Dharamsala	666	93	13.96
8	Dholanji	122	29	23.77
9	Hunsur	501	88	17.56
10	Kamrao	44	5	11.36
11	Khera	27	2	07.41
12	Kollegal	820	2	00.24
13	Ladakh	1052	125	12.20
	Ladkh Jangthang	48	6	00.57
14	Lakhanwala	112	12	10.71
15	Mainpat	363	14	38.57
16	Manduwala	125	10	08.00
17	Miao	100	16	16.00
18	Mundgod	1022	65	06.36
19	Odisha	504	59	11.71
20	Poanta	132	22	16.67
21	Ravangla	141	31	21.99
22	Shimla	126	6	04.76
23	Tenzingang	200	2	01.00
24	Tezu	323	4	01.23
	<b>Total</b>	<b>9543</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>10.46</b>

<b>Table 6.5: Population with Random Blood Sugar Above Various Cut off Points (Age 30 and Above)</b>				
<b>(All Settlements n=32)</b>				
<b>Random Blood Sugar</b>	<b>Above 140 mg/dl n (%)</b>	<b>Above 160 mg/dl n (%)</b>	<b>Above 180 mg/dl n (%)</b>	<b>Above 200 mg/dl n (%)</b>
<b>Above Cutoff Level</b>	2048 (22.10)	1130 (12.19)	730 (7.88)	492 (05.31)
<b>Below Cutoff Level</b>	7220 (77.90)	8138 (87.81)	8538 (92.12)	8776 (94.69)
<b>Total</b>	9268 (100.00)	9268 (100.00)	9268 (100.00)	9268 (100.00)

**Table 6.6: BMI Category by Gender Among Tibetans Living in 32 Settlements in India (2018)**



Weight Category	Male	Female	Total
Underweight	130 (02.65)	175 (03.09)	305 (02.89)
Normal	2,026 (41.37)	2,095 (37.01)	4,121 (39.04)
Overweight	1,912 (39.04)	2,065 (36.48)	3,977 (37.67)
Obese	829 (16.93)	1,325 (23.41)	2,154 (20.40)
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,897</b>	<b>5,660</b>	<b>10,557</b>

Note: Based on WHO Classification

**Table 6.7: Central Obesity Among Tibetans Living in 31 Settlements in India (2018)**



Abdominal Waist	Male n (%)	Female n (%)	Total n (%)
Central Obese	2404 (50.78)	4083 (73.94)	6487 (63.25)
Normal	2330 (49.22)	1439 (26.06)	3769 (36.75)
<b>Total</b>	<b>4734</b>	<b>5522</b>	<b>10256</b>

Note: Based on International Diabetes Federation Criteria. Tezu waist measurement omitted.

Tables 6.6 & 6.7 shows that overweight, general obesity and central obesity in the current study were 37.67% (n=3977), 20.40% (n=2154) and 63.25% (n=6487) respectively. As compared to male, female were proportionately more overweight and obese. Tables 6.6 & 6.7 shows that overweight, general obesity and central obesity among the males in the current study were 39.04% (n=1912), 16.93% (n=829) and 50.78% (n=2404) respectively. While overweight, general obesity and central obesity among the females in the current study were 36.48% (n=2065), 23.41% (n=1325) and 73.94% (n=4087) respectively

## **DISCUSSION:**

A systemic review conducted by Ragupathy et al <sup>10</sup> showed the prevalence of hypertension at 29.8% for India. However, a study carried out by Norboo T and others <sup>27</sup> showed the prevalence of hypertension in the Ladakh region at 37%. Ladakhis are ethnically similar to Tibetans. In the current program implementation study, the prevalence of hypertension among Tibetans living in India was high at **38.84%** (n=4205) but awareness and control of hypertension was low at **16.84%** (n=708) among the participants having hypertension; showing an urgent need for a prevention, early detection and continuum of care strategy. Population and individual-based measures to prevent and control hypertension should focus on strategy to prevent overweight/obesity and other risk factors and also include comprehensive management of person with hypertension and diabetes. This is especially so because of the recommendations of JNC 8 (Paul A James 2014) <sup>8</sup> and the Japan experience (Nayu Ikeda et al 2008)<sup>7</sup>. The Japan study showed that “declining mean SBP in Japan between 1986 and 2002 was partly attributable to the increased use of antihypertensive medications, especially in the older population, and lowered mean BMI in young women” (Taichi Shimazu et al 2014) <sup>12</sup>.

The consequences of untreated hypertension are grave with cardiovascular diseases including stroke and renal complication causing lifelong disabilities and deaths. Hypertension related diseases and stroke are important causes of death among Tibetans in India, as can be seen from the routine DoHe-CTA Health Information System database (refer annexure 1-4). Tibetans seem to be more prone to complication of arterial systems of the brains as compared to that of heart i.e. stroke is more common among Tibetans as compared to ischemic/occlusive heart diseases. The TMS claim data (refer annexure 4) which covers more than 40% of the Tibetan populations in India seems to corroborate the above statement i.e. stroke is more common as compared to ischemic/occlusive heart diseases. Also, the classic study carried out by Jiang He and others <sup>31</sup> published in 1995 revealed that Tibetans had the highest prevalence of hypertension (22.33%), stroke incidence (450.40/100,000) and stroke mortality (370.17/100,000) among the provinces covered in the study.

**Table 6.8: Prevalence, Awareness and Control of Hypertension**

<b>S. No</b>	<b>Study</b>	<b>Age-group</b>	<b>Prevalence</b>	<b>Awareness</b>	<b>Control of Hypertension</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
1	<b>Current Study (2018)</b>	18 & above	38.84%	53.99%	16.84%	-
2	<b>Ragupathy et al (India 2014)</b>	18 & above	29.8%	25.3%* 37.60%**	10%* 20.20%**	25.10%* 37.60%**
3	<b>Ladakh Study (2015)</b>	20 & above	37%	-	-	-
4	<b>Anand Krishan et al (SEA Region-2013)</b>	Above 25	36.6%	24% - 69.80%	6.4% - 43.10%	25.6% - 85.80%

ICMR INDIA B study <sup>37</sup> revealed that “The overall prevalence of diabetes in all 15 states of India in which the study was conducted was 7.3% (95% CI 7.0–7.5). The prevalence of diabetes varied from 4.3% in Bihar (95% CI 3.7–5.0) to 10.0% (8.7–11.2) in Punjab and was higher in urban areas (11.2%, 10.6–11.8) than in rural areas (5.2%, 4.9–5.4; p<0.0001) and higher in mainland states (8.3%, 7.9–8.7)

than in the northeast (5.9%, 5.5–6.2;  $p < 0.0001$ ). The study further found that “In the urban areas of more prosperous states, the prevalence of diabetes was higher among individuals of lower socioeconomic status than in individuals of higher socioeconomic status, by contrast with the situation in the less developed states”. Diabetes situation is becoming worse in India; probably reaching saturation in affluent cities of India but continuing to rise in rural and less affluent parts of India. India State-Level Disease Burden Initiative Diabetes Collaborators study<sup>40</sup> published in Lancet Global Health in 2018 found that the prevalence of diabetes in adults aged 20 years or older in India increased from 5.5% (4.9–6.1) in 1990 to 7.7% (6.9–8.4) in 2016.

In our current study, **5.31%** (n=492) participants with age 30 and above had RBS **above 200 mg/dl** and diabetes prevalence among Tibetans is probably less than the Indians. A study carried out by Mirza Shohia, Ur Riyaz and Majid Khalil Rather, Parvaiz A. Koul<sup>39</sup> among the Muslim Tibetan immigrants age 18 and above in Kashmir found out that “9.25% (n=26) out of 281 participants had diabetes, meaning one in four adults  $\geq 18$  years among Tibetan Muslims have diabetes or pre-diabetes”. However this study was limited to Tibetan Muslims from Kashmir only.

The prevalence of general obesity (BMI) and central obesity (waist circumference) in ICMR-INDIA B study 2015<sup>38</sup> varied from 11.8% to 31.3% and 16.9% to 36.3% respectively. Rajeev and others<sup>28</sup> in a systemic review found out that “factors for variation in obesity are geographical condition, lifestyle and dietary pattern”. More affluent cities/states (e.g. Chandigarh and Goa) with sedentary lifestyle and high calorie diet contributed to the higher prevalence rate.

The prevalence of overweight, general obesity and central obesity in the current study among Tibetans was **37.67%** (n=3977), **20.40%** (n=2154) and **63.25%** (n=6487) respectively; women having more central obesity than men. The author was surprised to observe very high prevalence of obesity in the current study but a similar study carried out in 2016 among Tibetans living in Ladakh by Belle Yanyu Lin and others<sup>34</sup> observed similar findings with “prevalence of overweight, general obesity and central obesity at 23.45%, 42.6% and 42.6% in men and 7.8%, 64.7% and 69.9% in women, respectively”. The study revealed that about two third of the participants had general or central obesity with women showing higher prevalence as was the case in the current study.

Tibetans living in India are going through not only epidemiological and demographic transition, but they may also be going through lifestyle transition. In Tibet, people were involved in moderate to heavy agricultural or nomadic activities but in India they are increasingly adopting sedentary lifestyles because of the shift in the nature of their occupation and availability of modern transport system both at public and individual levels. This ongoing transition and its consequences can be implied from study carried out by Bhatia et al<sup>4,5</sup> and Tripathi et al<sup>14</sup>, Norboo et al<sup>27</sup> and others. Also, Tibetans in India have maintained their distinct culture and food habit which include among others drinking salted tea. The habit of consumption of high salt and low vegetable & fruit diet in Tibet may have continued into refugee life. In addition, they are increasingly consuming modern day “junk foods”. Apart from other risk factors, Tibetans may be genetically more susceptible to hypertension as revealed by a study carried out by Bei Sun and others<sup>3</sup> which indicated angiotensinogen gene 235MM as “a predictor for hypertension development in Tibetan women but not in men, and may exert its hypertensive effect on linkage disequilibrium with a possible function locus of G-6A”.

GBD 2017 Collaborators in their publication in Lancet<sup>35</sup> states that “our assessment shows that the leading dietary risk factors for mortality are diets that are high in sodium, low in whole grains, low in fruit, low in nuts and seeds, low in vegetables and low in omega-3 fatty acids; each accounting for more than 2% of global deaths. This finding suggests that dietary policies focusing on promoting the intake of components of diet for which current intake is less than the optimal level might have a greater effect than policies only targeting sugar and fat, highlighting the need for comprehensive food system interventions to promote the production, distribution, and consumption of these food across nations”. Throughout the life course, being overweight and obese is associated with multiple adverse



health consequences. Obesity is linked to an increased risk of hypertension, many other NCDs (such as diabetes, coronary heart disease, stroke, and cancers), and conditions including obstructive sleep apnoea and osteoarthritis<sup>37</sup>.

In 2014, the average world prevalence of diabetes was 7% - 9% and in 2015 the average prevalence of hypertension was 22%. The world obesity prevalence in 2016 was 13%<sup>35</sup>. WHO 2018 report<sup>23</sup> stated that “In 2016, NCDs were responsible for 71% (41 million) of the 57 million deaths which occurred globally. The major NCDs responsible for these deaths included cardiovascular diseases (17.9 million deaths, accounting for 44% of all NCD deaths and 31% of all global deaths); cancers (9 million deaths, 22% of all NCD deaths and 16% of all global deaths); chronic respiratory diseases (3.8 million deaths, 9% of all NCD deaths and 7% of all global deaths); and diabetes (1.6 million deaths, 4% of all NCD deaths and 3% of all global deaths)”. These NCDs share common modifiable behavioural risk factors and they are tobacco use, unhealthy diet, lack of physical activity, and harmful use of alcohol. And they lead to overweight and obesity, raised blood pressure, and raised cholesterol. Obesity associated with hypertension, cardiovascular diseases, and some cancers will affect 52.1 million people by 2030. Cardiovascular disease is expected to be the main cause of death (37%) by 2030s. High salt intake contributes to increase in blood pressure and the higher risk of heart disease and stroke<sup>36</sup>. WHO recommended daily intake of sodium is less than 2 grams of sodium or 5 grams of salt.

There are two important routine disease profile data available for the Tibetan community in India and they are the data collected through DHIS2 morbidity and mortality modules (both health facility & outreach) and TMS claim data. Data collected in DHIS2 reflects the disease profiles of health facilities at first point of contact and the TMS data reflect the disease profile of community for secondary and tertiary care facilities (kindly refer to annexure 1 – 4). Both the DHIS2 and TMS Claim data shows that NCDs contribute to a major fraction of disease burden and it makes both economic and public health sense for us to do something to reduce these burdens in the future.

There are 25 indicators and the 9 global targets (India and South Asia region had set 10<sup>th</sup> target as indoor air pollution) for the prevention and control NCDs. Kindly refer to annexure 5-8. Four of the globally agreed 25 indicators for NCDs i.e. age adjusted hypertension, salt intake, availability of medicines and medicine for hypertension, age-standardized prevalence of raised blood glucose/diabetes among persons aged 18+ years (defined as fasting plasma glucose concentration  $\geq 7.0$  mmol/l (126 mg/dl) or on medication for raised blood glucose; are directly related to Hypertension and Diabetes. And two indicators directly related to overweight & obesity are prevalence of overweight and obesity in adolescents (defined according to the WHO growth reference for school-aged children and adolescents, overweight – one standard deviation body mass index for age and sex, and obese – two standard deviations body mass index for age and sex); and age-standardized prevalence of overweight and obesity in persons aged 18+ years (defined as body mass index  $\geq 25$  kg/ m<sup>2</sup> for overweight and body mass index  $\geq 30$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> for obesity).

The Lancet NCD Action Group and the NCD Alliance (Beglehole R et al 2011)<sup>2</sup> propose five overarching priority actions – “leadership, prevention, treatment, international cooperation, and monitoring & accountability--and the delivery of five priority interventions--tobacco control, salt reduction, improved diets and physical activity, reduction in hazardous alcohol intake, and essential drugs and technologies. The priority interventions were chosen for their health effects, cost-effectiveness, low costs of implementation, and political and financial feasibility”. In economic terms, what are the costs of “not acting” and the costs of “best-buy” interventions? Two papers best exemplifies this. “Business as usual” scenario (World Economic Forum and Harvard School of Public Health 2011) would mean that cumulative economic loss to LMIC countries from four major NCDs would amount to approximately 4% of current annual output (nearly US\$ 500 billion/year). In contrast the cost of “best buy” intervention strategies (WHO and World Economic Forum) is comparatively very low – “on a per person basis, the annual investment ranges from under US\$ 1 in low income countries to US\$ 3”.

## Conclusion and Recommendations:

The United Nations General Assembly in New York in 2011, made a political declaration to advocate for global and national responses to prevent and control NCDs. WHO established the Global Action Plan for the Prevention and Control of NCDs 2013–2020 (Global NCD Action Plan) and it was adopted by the World Health Assembly in 2013. The Global NCD Action Plan included a global monitoring framework and nine voluntary global targets to be attained by 2025 (India had 10<sup>th</sup> indicator for indoor air pollution). Kindly refer to annexure 5-7. These targets are aligned to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goal (SDG). For common NCDs like hypertension and diabetes, it is the most appropriate time for us that the disease burden is understood and based on evidence, plan and develop a strategy for the prevention and control of NCDs.

Community based house-house screening approach seems to be an appropriate strategy as it has the potential to cover all the residents of a village, and addresses the issue of access, equity and inclusiveness to a certain extent. It also make the individual aware of his/her anthropometric profiles and hypertension and diabetes status, and this could be the first step towards individual behaviour changes considering that this study found high prevalence of hypertension and also high proportion of newly diagnosed hypertensive. Also, considering that Tibetan community in India is closely knitted, regular screening program for hypertension and diabetes at the community level could easily be initiated so that treatment may begin early, especially in the light of the new recommendations of JNC 8 and findings from the Japan study discussed above.

Awareness campaign regarding early detection of hypertension and diabetes, weight maintenance and healthy diet could be advocated. And the recently launched CCOCC program (community outreach program) within a horizontal primary health system and funded by USAID, could be one of the key mechanisms for achieving behaviour changes as it has the means for providing focussed and targeted one-one communication. The governments have the responsibility of providing the infrastructures necessary for behaviour changes. To the credit of CTA administration; open gyms, playing fields (football and basketball) and exercise through community campaign including Zumba and Yoga are taking place. Effort should be made to improve the management of hypertension including, if needed, introduction of affordable medicines through subsidies.

There is a need to understand the other risk factors especially salt intake in the Tibetan community and this could be an area for further research. Salted tea is consumed traditionally by the Tibetans and high salt consumption may be a very important risk factor for Tibetans. There is a clear association between hypertension and high salt intake. Intersalt Cooperative Research Group<sup>41</sup> revealed that “sodium excretion ranged from 0-2 mmol/24 h (Yanomamo Indians, Brazil) to 242 mmol/24 h (north China). In individual subjects (within centres) it was significantly related to blood pressure. Four centres found very low sodium excretion, low blood pressure, and little or no upward slope of blood pressure with age. Across the other 48 centres sodium was significantly related to the slope of blood pressure with age but not to median blood pressure or prevalence of high blood pressure”. High salt diet among tea plantation workers in India and diet among some Japanese community established that higher intake of salt is an important risk factor for hypertension. Ribeka Takachi et al<sup>42</sup> found that “Sodium intake as a whole salt equivalent may not increase the risk of cancer but may increase that of CVD. In contrast, salted food intake may increase the risk of cancer”. Just like Tibetans consume salted tea, tea garden workers in the tea estate of North-East India consume salt while working in the tea garden and studies<sup>45,46</sup> showed that the prevalence of hypertension was high among this group of people.

But, for diseases like hypertension and diabetes, community level interventions with community ownership i.e. empowering communities to be owners and determine strategies to address their health service needs and social determinants of health, is more likely to effectively bring about appreciable downward trends in NCDs. We (people involved in health sector) can be the vehicle and

catalyst for that to happen. Medicines are helpful, so are the top down selective programs. But the key issue related to non-communicable diseases (NCDs) is behavioural and community “buy-in” will matter the most. Social and behaviour change communication targeted at household or individual level through outreach programs with community involvement and ownership in the program design and implementation may be more effective in changing behaviour. Because of these reasons, only clinic based approaches will be found deficient in making population healthier. That reminds to us the “Alma Ata” declaration and, forty years down the line, Astana declaration <sup>43, 44</sup> reaffirms Alma Ata declaration. Astana declaration also brings attention to community approaches to non-communicable diseases. Let us give Alma Ata a second chance. We cannot let it fail this time.

**Study Limitation and Strength:**

This is the first prevalence survey which we know had covered all the regions of India where Tibetans are resident and is likely to be the most representative sample. The sample (age 18 and above) included 48.52% of the total population from the 2017 house-house population listing survey.

The study was designed as a program implementation research at the community level and so has the limitations associated with such a study. However, program implementation studies truly represent the implementation activities in the field and this current study shows that it is feasible to have regular community based screening program for hypertension and diabetes and probably for other NCDs also. Hypertension and diabetes are silent killers. Many cases do not have symptoms before they present with a complication and the current study revealed that among the Tibetan participants who were hypertensive, about 47% (n=1935) were detected with hypertension for the first time during the survey.

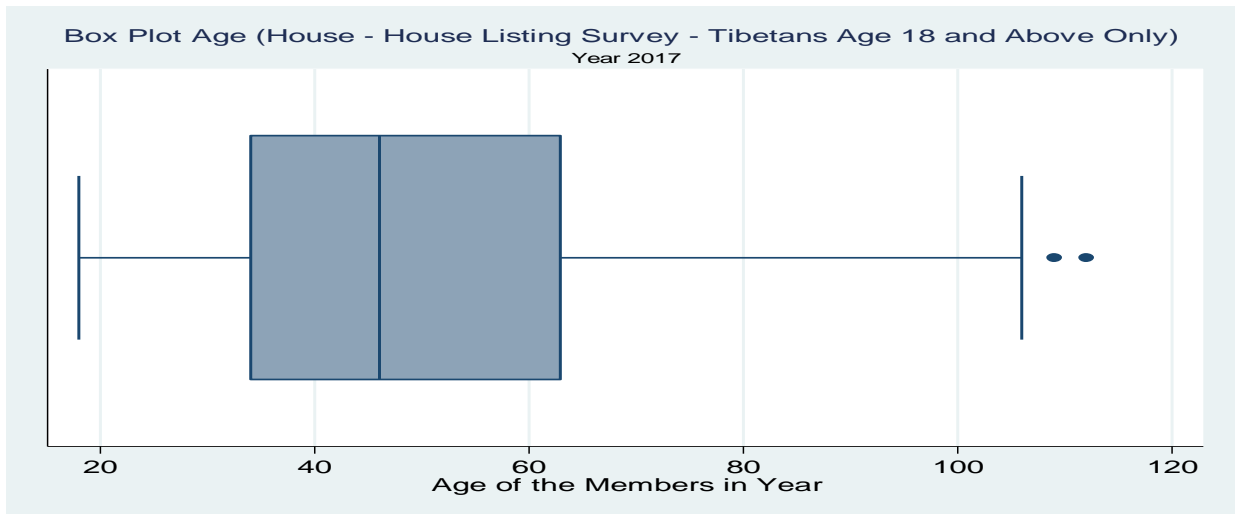
In some of the settlements, few outreach staffs did not measure the 2<sup>nd</sup> blood pressure reading especially if the 1<sup>st</sup> blood pressure reading was found to be within the normal range. Considering this, even if there is one blood pressure reading, we had to take them into the hypertension prevalence calculation to negate overestimation of the prevalence. Also, we had initially intended to use FBS of > 126 mg/dl to calculate the prevalence of diabetes but had to estimate that through RBS > 200 mg/dl as only about 10% of the participants who had RBS >140 mg/dl had their FBS record.

The gender difference between the hypertension & diabetes survey and house-house listing population is about 2 years. The table 6.9 shows that the male and female proportion for hypertension & diabetes survey were 45.75% and 54.25% respectively while that the male and female proportion for house-house population listing survey were 47.69% and 52.31% respectively. And the average age for hypertension & diabetes survey was 52.89 years while the average age for house-house listing population survey was 48.87 years. There is a possibility that the current prevalence of hypertension and diabetes may be over-estimated slightly as the average age of the hypertension & diabetes survey population is older than house-house listing population survey by about 4 years.

<b>Table 6.9: Comparison of Gender of Hypertension &amp; Diabetes Survey and House-House Listing (Adult Tibetans 18 years and above)</b>		
<b>Gender</b>	<b>Hypertension &amp; Diabetes Survey (2018)</b>	<b>House-House Listing Population Survey 2017</b>
<b>Male</b>	4467 (45.75)	9249 (47.69)
<b>Female</b>	5297 (54.25)	10143 (52.31)
<b>Total</b>	9764	19392

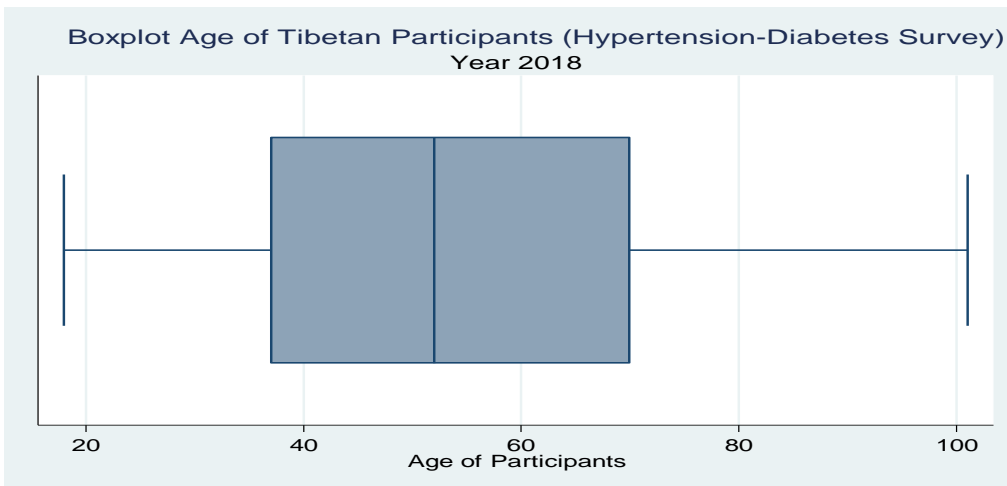
**Table 6.10: Comparison of Age of Hypertension & Diabetes Survey and House-Listing Population (Adult Tibetans 18 Years and Above Only)**

**Age of Population of House-Listing 2017**



Variable	N	mean	p50	p25	p75	iqr	max	min	sd
Age	19392	48.87	46	34	63	29	112	18	18.72

**Age of Participants of Hypertension & Diabetes Survey 2018**



Variable	N	mean	p50	p25	p75	iqr	max	min	sd
Age	9764	52.89	52	37	70	33	101	18	19.78

<b>Annexure 1: OPD Module DHIS2 (DoHe-CTA Routine HIS Database)</b>			
<b>Top Ten OPD Diagnosis/Footfalls (Health Facility Footfall in 2018)</b>			
<b>S No</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
1	I10 – I15 Hypertension	4,975	12.02
2	J00 – J06 Acute Upper Respiratory Tract	4,371	10.56
3	N20 – N23 Other Services	2,348	5.67
4	Z00-Z99 Person Encountering Health Services ---	2,249	5.43
5	A09 Acute diarrheal disease	1,553	3.75
6	Dressing/injections	1,517	3.66
7	K00-K08 Dental conditions	1,506	3.64
8	K29 Gastritis/Duodenitis	1,292	3.12
9	R05 Cough	1,272	3.07
10	R50 Fever of unknown origin / PUO	1,121	2.71
	<b>Cumulative (%)</b>	<b>22204</b>	<b>53.63%</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41405</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

<b>Annexure 2 : DoHe-CTA Routine HIS Database</b>						
<b>TOP 10 Causes of Deaths (2011 -2016)</b>						
<b>Female</b>				<b>Male</b>		
<b>S. No</b>	<b>Causes of Death</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Causes of Death</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>%</b>
1	Hypertension	53	11.47	Hypertension	76	10.69
2	Others	53	11.47	Cancer of Liver	59	8.30
3	Weakness/Tiredness	24	5.19	Others	58	8.16
4	Disease of RS, NOS	22	4.76	Cancer of Stomach	54	7.59
5	Cancer of Stomach	20	4.33	Heart failure, NOS	48	6.75
6	Heart Failure, NOS	17	3.68	Asthma	27	3.80
7	Asthma	16	3.46	Cancer of Oesophagus	25	3.52
8	Cancer of Liver	16	3.46	Weakness /Tiredness	25	3.52
9	Stroke	15	3.25	Disease of RS, NOS	20	2.81
10	Other Heart Diseases, NOS	12	2.6	Stroke	19	2.67
	<b>Cumulative %</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>53.67%</b>	<b>Cumulative%</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>57.81%</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>462</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>711</b>	

Annexure 3: Mortality Module DHIS2 (DoHe-CTA Routine HIS Database)						
Causes of Deaths (2018)						
Female				Male		
S No	Cause of Death	No	%	Cause of Death	No	%
1	Ca Stomach including oesophagus	9	12.86	Ca Stomach including oesophagus	15	13.89
2	Other Neoplasm	7	10.00	COPD	10	9.26
3	Asthma	5	7.14	Cirrhosis of liver	8	7.41
4	Cirrhosis of liver	5	7.14	Ca Liver	7	6.48
5	COPD	4	5.71	Other Neoplasm	7	6.48
6	Stroke	4	5.71	Drug & Alcohol Addiction Related	6	5.56
7	Accident Traffic	2	2.86	Ca Throat	5	4.63
8	Aspiration Pneumonia	2	2.86	Asthma	4	3.70
9	Ca Liver	2	2.86	Chronic Renal Disease/Failure	4	3.70
10	Chronic Renal Disease/Failure	2	2.86	Hypertension Diabetes Related Unspecified	4	3.70
<b>Cumulative %</b>			<b>60%</b>	<b>Cumulative %</b>		<b>61.11%</b>
11	Congestive Cardiac failure/Heart Failure	2	2.86	Stroke	3	2.78
12	Gastritis/Duodenitis	2	2.86	WEAKNESS	3	2.78
13	Hypertension Related	2	2.86	Accident Traffic	2	1.85
14	Ischemic Heart Diseases (include Angina)	2	2.86	Diabetes Related	2	1.85
15	Other Cardiovascular Disorder	2	2.86	Diarrheal Diseases	2	1.85
16	Other Injuries	2	2.86	Hypertension Related	2	1.85
17	TB	2	2.86	Ischemic Heart Diseases (include Angina)	2	1.85
18	Anemia	1	1.43	Liver diseases NS	2	1.85
19	Brain Damage	1	1.43	Other Diseases of Blood & Blood Forming	2	1.85
20	Cholelithiasis/Gallstone	1	1.43	Other Injuries	2	1.85
21	Diabetes Related	1	1.43	Suicide	2	1.85
22	Diarrheal Diseases	1	1.43	ALPS Syndrome	1	0.93
23	Drug & Alcohol Addiction Related	1	1.43	Anaemia	1	0.93
24	HEADACHE	1	1.43	Ca Bronchus/Lung	1	0.93
25	Hepatitis B Positive Ca Liver	1	1.43	Congestive Cardiac failure/Heart Failure	1	0.93
26	Hepatitis B Related	1	1.43	Gastritis/Duodenitis	1	0.93
27	Hypertension Diabetes Related Unspecified	1	1.43	Hepatitis B Positive Ca Liver	1	0.93
28	LEPROSY	1	1.43	Hepatitis B Related	1	0.93
29	Liver diseases NS	1	1.43	Other Musculoskeletal	1	0.93
30	PUO	1	1.43	Other Respiratory Disorder	1	0.93
31	UTI	1	1.43	RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS	1	0.93
32	-	-	-	TB	1	0.93
33	-	-	-	UTI	1	0.93
34	-	-	-	Food poisoning	1	0.93
35	-	-	-	Premature baby	1	0.93
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>70</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>100</b>

**Annexure 4.1: TMS Claim Database 2013 – 2018 (Top 70%)**

<b>S No</b>	<b>Disease / Condition</b>	<b>n (%)</b>
1	Cataract	760 (11.53)
2	Pregnancy in Labour	393 (05.96)
3	Fracture	272 (04.13)
4	Cholelithiasis/Gallstone	265 (04.02)
5	Acute Diarrheal Disease (including acute gastroenteritis)	189 (02.87)
6	Dengue/DHF/DSS/Yellow Fever	156 (02.37)
7	Hypertension and Complications	147 (02.23)
8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Tract Infection	130 (01.97)
9	Chronic Liver Disease/Cirrhosis and Liver Failure	128 (01.94)
10	Other Neoplasm	123 (01.87)
11	Pterygium	123 (01.87)
12	Pneumonia & Bronchopneumonia	122 (01.85)
13	Diabetes Mellitus Type 2	121 (01.84)
14	Ca Stomach	115 (01.75)
15	New Born	113 (01.71)
16	Normal Vaginal Delivery	107 (01.62)
17	Other Injuries	100 (01.52)
18	Urinary Tract Infection, Urosepsis	93 (01.41)
19	Appendicitis	90 (01.37)
20	Gastritis/Duodenitis	89 (01.35)
21	Other Musculoskeletal Disorder	88 (01.34)
22	Cerebro Vascular Accident (Stroke)	87 (01.32)
23	Renal Colic including calculi	74 (01.12)
24	Enteric Fever (Typhoid)	70 (01.06)
25	Fever of Unknown Origin/PUO	69 (01.05)
26	Cholecystitis	68 (01.03)
27	Ischemic Heart Diseases (include Angina, Myocardial infarction and complications)	67 (01.02)
28	Osteoarthritis	64 (00.97)
29	Other Digestive Disorder	64 (00.97)
30	Chronic Renal Failure	60 (00.91)
31	Ca Liver	56 (00.85)
32	Other Genitourinary Disorder	54 (00.82)
33	Other Gynaecological Disorder	54 (00.82)
34	Haemorrhoids/Piles	53 (00.80)
35	Viral Fever	53 (00.80)
36	LSCS Delivery	52 (00.79)
37	Anemia	51 (00.77)
38	Other Maternal & Obstetric Conditions	50 (00.76)
39	Hernia	47 (00.71)
40	Malaria	45 (00.68)
41	Ca Oesophagus	43 (00.65)
42	Viral Hepatitis B	43 (00.65)
<b>Cumulative (75%)</b>		<b>4947 (75.07%)</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6590 (100.00%)</b>

**Annexure 4.2: TMS Claim Database 2013 – 2014 – Disease Category**

S No	Disease Category	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Digestive	111 (18.81)	170 (19.72)	227 (19.67)	251 (19.34)	216 (15.520)	222 (17.16)	1,197 (18.16)
2	Eye	80 (13.56)	85 (09.86)	113 (09.79)	191 (14.71)	254 (18.25)	221 (17.08)	944 (14.32)
3	Obstetrics	69 (11.69)	97 (11.25)	119 (10.31)	148 (11.40)	132 (09.48)	153 (11.82)	718 (10.90)
4	Neoplasm	34 (05.76)	74 (08.58)	91 (07.89)	78 (06.01)	94 (06.75)	91 (07.03)	462 (07.01)
5	Respiratory	27 (04.58)	51 (05.92)	66 (05.72)	92 (07.09)	115 (08.26)	67 (05.18)	418 (06.34)
6	Genitourinary	37 (06.27)	45 (05.22)	65 (05.63)	67 (05.16)	61 (04.38)	72 (05.56)	347 (05.27)
7	CVS	30 (05.08)	55 (06.38)	65 (05.63)	68 (05.24)	58 (04.17)	63 (04.87)	339 (05.14)
8	Injuries/Musculoskeletal	22 (03.73)	33 (03.83)	52 (04.51)	49 (03.78)	58 (04.17)	64 (04.95)	278 (04.22)
9	Infectious	30 (05.08)	47 (05.45)	58 (05.03)	56 (04.31)	48 (03.45)	32 (02.47)	271 (04.11)
10	Vector Borne	26 (04.41)	37 (04.29)	37 (03.21)	40 (03.08)	41 (02.95)	21 (01.62)	202 (03.07)
11	Musculoskeletal	17 (02.88)	28 (03.83)	35 (03.03)	30 (02.31)	50 (03.59)	23 (01.78)	183 (02.78)
12	New Born	1 (00.17)	0 (00.00)	9 (00.78)	48 (03.70)	58 (04.17)	58 (04.48)	174 (2.64)
13	General	10 (01.69)	17 (01.97)	36 (03.12)	20 (01.54)	40 (02.87)	40 (03.09)	163 (02.47)
14	Endocrine, Metabolic, Nutritional etc.	22 (03.73)	20 (02.32)	22 (01.91)	21 (01.62)	33 (02.37)	38 (02.94)	156 (02.37)
15	Injuries, Poisoning etc.	14 (02.37)	24 (02.78)	36 (03.12)	33 (02.54)	26 (01.87)	20 (01.55)	153 (02.32)
16	CNS	11 (01.86)	20 (02.32)	28 (02.43)	39 (03.00)	28 (02.01)	24 (01.85)	150 (2.28)
17	Gynaecology	12 (02.03)	12 (01.39)	32 (02.77)	14 (01.08)	22 (01.58)	26 (02.01)	118 (01.79)
18	Dermatology	17 (02.88)	18 (02.09)	23 (01.99)	12 (00.92)	16 (01.15)	23 (01.78)	109 (01.65)
19	ENT/Respiratory	10 (01.69)	11 (01.28)	15 (01.30)	22 (01.69)	22 (01.58)	19 (01.47)	99 (01.50)
20	Haematology	5 (00.85)	8 (00.93)	15 (01.30)	13 (01.00)	15 (01.08)	10 (00.77)	66 (01.00)
21	Congenital	2 (00.34)	5 (00.58)	7 (00.61)	4 (00.31)	4 (00.29)	4 (00.31)	26 (00.39)
22	Psychiatry, Behavioural, Neurodevelopment disorders	3 (00.51)	5 (00.58)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.08)	1 (00.07)	2 (00.15)	12 (00.18)
23	Bites & Stings	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (00.26)	1 (00.08)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.08)	5 (0.08)
<b>TOTAL</b>								<b>6590</b>



**Annexure 4.3: TMS Claim Database 2013 - 2018**

**Disease Category & Individual Diseases by Year**

S No	A. Bites & Stings	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Other Bites & Stings	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (66.67)	1 (100.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (60.00)
2	Dog Bite	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (33.33)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (20.00)	1 (20.00)
3	Snake Bite	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.00)	1 (20.00)
<b>Total</b>		<b>0 (100.00)</b>	<b>0 (100.00)</b>	<b>3 (100.00)</b>	<b>1 (100.00)</b>	<b>0 (100.00)</b>	<b>1 (100.00)</b>	<b>5 (100.00)</b>

S No	B. Central Nervous System	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Cerebro-Vascular Accident (Stroke)	7 (63.64)	5 (25.00)	19 (67.86)	29 (74.36)	13 (46.43)	14 (58.33)	87 (58.00)
2	Other Nervous System Disorder	2 (18.18)	6 (30.00)	4 (14.29)	1 (02.56)	4 (14.29)	5 (20.83)	22 (14.67)
3	Epilepsy/Seizure	1 (09.09)	3 (15.00)	3 (10.71)	5 (12.82)	6 (21.43)	0 (00.00)	18 (12.00)
4	Febrile Convulsion	1 (09.09)	3 (15.00)	1 (03.57)	3 (07.69)	1 (03.57)	2 (08.33)	11 (07.33)
5	Paraplegia (Paraparesis) or Quadriplegia (Quadriparesis)	0 (00.00)	1 (05.00))	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (07.14)	0 (00.00)	3 (02.00)
6	Parkinsonism	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.56)	1 (03.57)	1 (04.17)	3 (02.00)
7	Peripheral Neuropathy	0 (00.00)	1 (05.00)	1 (03.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (04.17)	3 (02.00)
8	Migraine/Cluster Headache	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (03.57)	1 (04.17)	2 (01.33)
9	Cerebral Palsy	0 (00.00)	1 (05.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.67)
<b>Total</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>150</b>

S No	C. Cardiovascular System	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Hypertension and Complications	15 (50.00)	25 (45.45)	31 (47.69)	22 (32.35)	23 (39.66)	31 (49.21)	147 (43.36)
2	Ischemic Heart Diseases (include Angina, Myocardial infarction and Complications)	6 (20.00)	13 (23.64)	8 (12.31)	17 (25.00)	16 (27.59)	7 (11.11)	67 (19.76)

3	Cardiac Arrhythmia, Cardiac Block	4 (13.33)	6 (10.91)	9 (10.91)	4 (05.88)	7 (12.07)	10 (15.87)	40 (11.80)
4	Congestive Cardiac Failure/Heart Failure	2 (06.67)	5 (09.09)	5 (07.69)	7 (10.29)	6 (10.34)	6 (09.52)	31 (09.14)
5	Other Cardiovascular Disorder	3 (10.00)	2 (03.64)	8 (12.31)	11 (16.18)	3 (05.17)	4 (06.35)	31 (09.14)
6	Vericose Vein	0 (00.00)	2 (03.64)	1 (01.54)	1 (01.47)	2 (03.45)	1 (01.59)	7 (02.06)
7	Rheumatic and Other Valvular Heart Diseases	0 (00.00)	1 (01.82)	0 (00.00)	3 (04.41)	1 (01.72)	1 (01.59)	6 (01.77)
8	Deep Vein Thrombosis	0 (00.00)	1 (01.82)	1 (01.54)	1 (01.47)	0 (00.00)	2 (03.17)	5 (01.47)
9	Lymphadenitis	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (03.08)	2 (02.94)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.59)	5 (01.47)
<b>Total</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>339</b>

S No	D. Congenital Disorders	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Other Congenital Disorders	1 (50.00)	5 (100.00)	4 (57.14)	4 (100.00)	4 (100.00)	2 (50.00)	20 (76.92)
2	Congenital Heart Disease	1 (50.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (42.86)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (50.00)	6 (23.08)
<b>Total</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>26</b>

S No	E. Dermatology	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Other Skin Diseases	3 (17.65)	5 (27.78)	5 (21.74)	6 (50.00)	6 (37.50)	9 (39.13)	34 (31.19)
2	Cellulitis	4 (23.53)	5 (27.78)	5 (21.74)	1 (08.33)	5 (31.25)	8 (34.78)	28 (25.69)
3	Cutaneous Abscess, Furuncle and Carbuncle	6 (35.29)	4 (22.22)	6 (26.09)	1 (08.33)	3 (18.75)	3 (13.04)	23 (21.10)
4	Infected Wound	1 (05.88)	1 (05.56)	3 (13.04)	4 (33.33)	2 (12.50)	2 (08.70)	13 (11.93)
5	Urticaria & Erythema	1 (05.88)	2 (11.11)	1 (04.35)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (04.35)	5 (04.59)
6	Ulcer	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (13.04)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (02.75)
7	Herpes Zoster and Complications	1 (05.88)	1 (05.56)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (01.83)
8	Vitiligo	1 (05.88)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.92)
<b>Total</b>		<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>109</b>

S No	F. Digestive	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Cholelithiasis/Gallstone	20 (18.02)	24 (14.12)	46 (20.26)	57 (22.71)	60 (27.78)	58 (26.13)	265 (22.14)
2	Acute Diarrheal Disease (including acute gastroenteritis)	19 (17.12)	38 (22.35)	41 (18.06)	37 (14.74)	26 (12.04)	28 (12.61)	189 (15.79)
3	Chronic Liver Diseases, Cirrhosis and Liver Failure	13 (11.71)	17 (10.00)	29 (12.78)	29 (11.55)	14 (06.48)	26 (11.71)	128 (10.69)
4	Appendicitis	8 (07.21)	12 (07.06)	18 (07.93)	11 (04.38)	19 (08.80)	22 (09.91)	90 (07.52)
5	Gastritis / Duodenitis	15 (13.51)	11 (06.47)	20 (08.81)	15 (05.98)	16 (07.41)	12 (05.41)	89 (07.44)
6	Cholecystitis	3 (02.70)	14 (08.24)	11 (04.85)	13 (05.18)	12 (05.56)	15 (06.76)	68 (05.68)
7	Other Digestive Disorder	5 (04.50)	15 (08.82)	9 (03.96)	21 (08.37)	7 (03.24)	7 (03.15)	64 (05.35)
8	Haemorrhoids/Piles	6 (05.41)	7 (04.12)	14 (06.17)	8 (03.19)	6 (02.78)	12 (05.41)	53 (04.43)
9	Hernia	4 (03.60)	5 (02.94)	7 (03.08)	14 (05.58)	10 (04.63)	7 (03.15)	47 (03.93)
10	Fissure / Fistula	4 (03.60)	4 (02.35)	7 (03.08)	4 (01.59)	9 (04.17)	7 (03.15)	35 (02.92)
11	Disease of Gallbladder	6 (05.41)	5 (02.94)	3 (01.32)	4 (01.59)	7 (03.24)	8 (03.60)	33 (02.76)
12	Pancreatitis	1 (00.90)	5 (02.94)	6 (02.64)	7 (02.79)	3 (01.39)	6 (02.70)	28 (02.34)
13	Intestinal Obstruction	1 (00.90)	4 (02.35)	4 (01.76)	10 (03.98)	3 (01.39)	2 (00.90)	24 (02.01)
14	Peptic Ulcer	2 (01.80)	1 (00.59)	4 (01.76)	8 (03.19)	5 (02.31)	1 (00.45)	21 (01.75)
15	Alcoholic Liver Diseases	1 (00.90)	3 (01.76)	4 (01.76)	4 (01.59)	2 (00.93)	1 (00.45)	15 (01.25)
16	GI Bleed	1 (00.90)	1 (00.59)	1 (00.44)	3 (01.20)	5 (02.31)	3 (01.35)	14 (01.17)
17	Hydatid Cyst of Liver	1 (00.90)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.44)	1 (00.40)	3 (01.39)	0 (00.00)	6 (00.50)
18	Peritonitis	0 (00.00)	1 (00.59)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.40)	1 (00.46)	3 (01.35)	6 (00.50)
19	Dysentery Unspecified	0 (00.00)	1 (00.59)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.40)	3 (01.39)	0 (00.00)	5 (00.42)
20	Acute Abdomen	0 (00.00)	1 (00.59)	1 (00.44)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.46)	1 (00.45)	4 (00.33)
21	Amoebic Dysentery	1 (00.90)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.44)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.46)	1 (00.45)	4 (00.33)
22	Ascites	0 (00.00)	1 (00.59)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.40)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.45)	3 (00.25)
23	Diseases of Oral cavity	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.40)	2 (00.93)	0 (00.00)	3 (00.25)
24	Parotitis	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.46)	1 (00.45)	2 (00.17)
25	Constipation	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.40)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1(00.08)
<b>Total</b>		<b>111</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>1,197</b>

S No	G. ENT / Respiratory	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Otitis Media	5 (50.00)	8 (72.73)	5 (33.33)	6 (27.27)	10 (45.45)	8 (42.11)	42 (42.42)
2	Other ENT Disorder	1 (10.00)	1 (09.09)	2 (13.33)	5 (22.73)	3 (13.64)	4 (21.05)	16 (16.16)
3	Acute Tonsillitis/Abscess	1 (10.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (13.33)	5 (22.73)	4 (18.18)	2 (10.53)	14 (14.14)
4	Deviated Nasal Septum	1 (10.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (20.00)	1 (04.55)	3 (13.64)	3 (15.79)	11 (11.11)
5	Sinusitis (Acute/Chronic)	2 (20.00)	1 (09.09)	1 (06.67)	4 (18.18)	2 (09.09)	1 (05.26)	11 (11.11)
6	Acute Pharyngitis	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (13.33)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (02.02)
7	Hearing Loss (Conduct	0 (00.00)	1 (09.09)	0 (00.00)	1 (04.55)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (02.02)
8	Acute Laryngitis	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (05.26)	1 (01.01)
<b>Total</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>99</b>

S No	H. Endocrine	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Diabetes Mellitus Type 2	19 (86.36)	16 (80.00)	19 (86.36)	19 (90.48)	23 (69.70)	25 (65.79)	121 (77.56)
2	Other Endocrine, Metabolic & Nutritional Diseases	1 (04.55)	2 (10.00)	1 (04.55)	2 (09.52)	4 (12.12)	7 (18.42)	17 (10.90)
3	Other Disorder of Thyroid	1 (4.55)	2 (10.00)	2 (09.09)	0 (00.00)	5 (15.15)	3 (07.89)	13 (08.33)
4	Dehydration	1 (04.55)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (03.03)	3 (07.89)	5 (03.21)
<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>156</b>

S. No	I. Eye Disorders	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Cataract	62 (77.50)	65 (76.47)	87 (76.99)	144 (75.39)	215 (84.65)	187 (84.62)	760 (80.51)
2	Pterygium	11 (13.75)	15 (17.65)	18 (15.93)	30 (15.71)	26 (10.24)	23 (10.41)	123 (13.03)
3	Other Eye Disorder	4 (05.00)	4 (04.71)	5 (04.42)	8 (04.19)	12 (04.72)	7 (03.17)	40 (04.24)
4	Choroid and Retina Diseases	1 (01.25)	0 (00.00)	3 (02.65)	5 (02.62)	1 (00.39)	3 (01.36)	13 (01.38)
5	Glaucoma	1 (01.25)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (01.57)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.45)	5 (00.53)
6	Eye Refraction Disorders	0 (00.00)	1 (01.18)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.52)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.21)
7	Blindness & Low Visio	1 (01.25)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.11)
<b>Total</b>		<b>80</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>944</b>

S. No	J. General	Year						
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
1	Fever of Unknown Origin	4 (40.00)	5 (29.41)	13 (36.11)	11 (55.00)	23 (57.50)	13 (32.50)	69 (42.33)
2	Abdominal Pain Unspecified	0 (00.00)	2 (11.76)	7 (19.44)	3 (15.00)	2 (05.00)	5 (12.50)	19 (11.66)
3	Jaundice NOS	3 (30.00)	2 (11.76)	5 (13.89)	3 (15.00)	1 (02.50)	2 (05.00)	16 (09.82)
4	Pain (Unspecified)	1 (10.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (05.00)	3 (07.50)	4 (10.00)	9 (05.52)
5	Vertigo/Dizziness/Giddiness	1 (10.00)	2 (11.76)	3 (08.33)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (07.50)	9 (05.52)
6	Weakness/Tiredness	1 (10.00)	1 (05.88)	2 (05.56)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.50)	2 (05.00)	7 (04.29)
7	Headache	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	4 (10.00)	2 (05.00)	6 (03.68)
8	Cough	0 (00.00)	1 (05.88)	2 (05.56)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.50)	4 (02.45)
9	Fever with rash or thrombocytopenia	0 (00.00)	1 (05.88)	1 (02.78)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.50)	1 (02.50)	4 (02.45)
10	Epistaxis	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.78)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (05.00)	3 (01.84)
11	Food Poisoning	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (05.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (05.00)	3 (01.84)
12	Other General	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (05.56)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.50)	3 (01.84)
13	Anorexia	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (05.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (01.23)
14	Dysphagia/Aphagia	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (05.00)	2 (01.23)
15	Haematuria	0 (00.00)	1 (05.88)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.50)	0 (00.00)	2 (01.23)
16	Multi organ dysfunction	0 (00.00)	2 (11.76)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (01.23)
17	Other Allergies	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (05.00)	1 (02.50)	0 (00.00)	2 (01.23)
18	Dysuria	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.50)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.61)
<b>Total</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>163</b>

S No	K. Genitourinary Disorder	Year						
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
1	Urinary Tract Infection	9 (24.32)	12 (26.67)	23 (35.38)	13 (19.40)	16 (26.23)	20 (27.78)	93 (26.80)
2	Renal Colic including	9 (24.32)	12 (26.67)	12 (18.46)	16 (23.88)	14 (22.95)	11 (15.28)	74 (21.33)
3	Chronic Renal Failure	6 (16.22)	6 (13.33)	6 (09.23)	5 (07.46)	18 (29.51)	19 (26.39)	60 (17.29)
4	Other Genitourinary Disorder	9 (24.32)	4 (08.89)	8 (12.31)	15 (22.39)	4 (06.56)	14 (19.44)	54 (15.56)
5	Benign Prostatic Hype	1 (02.70)	3 (06.67)	10 (15.38)	13 (19.40)	4 (06.56)	6 (08.33)	37 (10.66)

6	Chronic Kidney Diseases	1 (02.70)	3 (06.67)	0 (00.00)	3 (04.48)	2 (03.28)	1 (01.39)	10 (02.88)
7	Acute Renal Failure	1 (02.70)	3 (06.67)	2 (03.08)	0 (00.00)	2 (03.28)	1 (01.39)	9 (02.59)
8	Other Breast Disorder	1 (02.70)	2 (04.44)	4 (06.15)	1 (01.49)	1 (01.64)	0 (00.00)	9 (02.59)
9	Nephrotic Syndrome	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.49)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.29)
<b>Total</b>		<b>37</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>347</b>

S No	L. Gynaecology Disorder	Year						
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
1	Other Gynaecological Disorder	5 (41.67)	7 (58.33)	16 (50.00)	4 (28.57)	9 (40.91)	13 (50.00)	54 (45.76)
2	Uterine Fibroid	6 (50.00)	2 (16.67)	8 (25.00)	5 (35.71)	7 (31.82)	8 (30.77)	36 (30.51)
3	Uterine and Vaginal B	1 (08.33)	1 (08.33)	2 (06.25)	3 (21.43)	2 (09.09)	2 (07.69)	11 (09.32)
4	Menorrhagia	0 (00.00)	1 (08.33)	4 (12.50)	0 (00.00)	1 (04.55)	0 (00.00)	6 (05.08)
5	Female Genital Prolapse	0 (00.00)	1 (08.33)	2 (06.25)	2 (14.29)	1 (04.55)	1 (03.85)	7 (05.93)
6	Vaginitis/Vulvitis	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (04.55)	1 (03.85)	2 (01.69)
7	Female Pelvic Inflammatory Disease	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (04.55)	1 (03.85)	2 (01.69)
<b>Total</b>		<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>118</b>

S No	M. Haematology	Year						
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
1	Anaemia	4 (80.00)	8 (100.00)	12 (80.00)	10 (76.92)	11 (73.33)	6 (60.00)	51 (77.27)
2	Other Diseases of Blood --	0 (00.00)	0 (100.00)	3 (20.00)	1 (07.69)	0 (00.00)	3 (30.00)	7 (10.61)
3	Thrombocytopenia	1 (20.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (15.38)	4 (26.67)	1 (10.00)	8 (12.12)
<b>Total</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>66</b>

S No	N. Infectious Diseases	Year						
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
1	Chicken Pox	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.79)	1 (02.08)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.74)
2	Enteric Fever (Typhoid)	8 (26.67)	14 (29.79)	12 (20.69)	19 (33.93)	8 (16.67)	9 (28.13)	70 (25.83)
3	Viral Fever	8 (26.67)	5 (10.64)	9 (15.52)	10 (17.86)	15 (31.25)	6 (18.75)	53 (19.56)

4	Viral Hepatitis B	6 (20.00)	4 (08.51)	11 (18.97)	11 (19.64)	7 (14.58)	4 (12.50)	43 (15.87)
5	Viral Fever with Thrombocytopenia	0 (00.00)	7 (14.89)	12 (20.69)	1 (01.79)	3 (06.25)	3 (09.38)	26 (09.59)
6	Hepatitis Unspecified	2 (06.67)	5 (10.64)	3 (05.17)	6 (10.71)	3 (06.25)	1 (03.13)	20 (07.38)
7	Septicaemia/Severe Sepsis	1 (03.33)	4 (08.51)	2 (03.45)	5 (08.93)	3 (06.25)	5 (15.63)	20 (07.38)
8	Tuberculosis	4 (13.33)	4 (08.51)	4 (06.90)	0 (00.00)	3 (06.25)	2 (06.25)	17 (06.27)
9	Other Infectious & Parasitic Diseases	1 (03.33)	1 (02.13)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.79)	2 (04.17)	2 (06.25)	7 (02.58)
10	Viral Hepatitis C	0 (00.00)	2 (04.26)	3 (05.17)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	5 (01.85)
11	Meningitis Unspecified	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.72)	2 (03.57)	1 (02.08)	0 (00.00)	4 (01.48)
12	Chicken Pox	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.79)	1 (02.08)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.74)
13	Measles	0 (00.00)	1 (02.13)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.08)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.74)
14	HIV/AIDS	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.08)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.37)
15	Viral Hepatitis A	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.72)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.37)
<b>Total</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>271</b>

S No	O. Injuries, Poisoning etc.	Year						
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
1	Other Injuries	7 (50.00)	18 (75.00)	21(58.33)	19 (57.58)	17 (65.38)	18 (90.00)	100 (65.36)
2	Accident Traffic	2 (14.29)	2 (08.33)	7 (19.44)	8 (24.24)	4 (15.38)	1 (05.00)	24 (15.69)
3	Burns and Corrosions	4 (28.57)	2 (08.33)	6 (16.67)	6 (18.18)	4 (15.38)	1 (05.00)	23 (15.03)
4	Drug Toxicity	1 (07.14)	2 (08.33)	1 (02.78)	0 (00.00)	1 (03.85)	0 (00.00)	5 (03.27)
5	Entrance of Foreign body	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.78)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.65)
<b>Total</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>15</b>

S No	P. Injuries, Musculoskeletal.	Year						
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
1	Fracture	20 (90.91)	33 (100.00)	50 (96.15)	48 (97.96)	58 (100.00)	63 (98.44)	272 (97.84)
2	Dislocation & Sprain	2 (09.09)	0 (00.00)	2 (03.85)	1 (02.04)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.56)	6 (02.16)
<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>278</b>

S no	Q. Musculoskeletal	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Other Musculoskeletal	10 (58.82)	12 (42.86)	12 (34.29)	9 (30.00)	31 (62.00)	14 (60.87)	88 (48.09)
2	Osteoarthritis	3 (17.65)	10 (35.71)	19 (54.29)	16 (53.33)	12 (24.00)	4 (17.39)	64 (34.97)
3	Spondylopathies	3 (17.65)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.86)	1 (03.33)	5 (10.00)	1 (04.35)	11 (06.01)
4	Arthritis Other	1 (05.88)	3 (10.71)	1 (02.86)	1 (03.33)	1 (02.00)	1 (04.35)	8 (04.37)
5	Osteoporosis with or fracture	0 (00.00)	2 (07.14)	0 (00.00)	1 (03.33)	1 (02.00)	1 (04.35)	5 (02.73)
6	Rheumatoid Arthritis	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.86)	1 (03.33)	0 (00.00)	2 (08.70)	4 (02.19)
7	Pyogenic Arthritis	0 (00.00)	1 (03.57)	0 (00.00)	1 (03.33)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (01.09)
8	Chronic Osteomyelitis	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.86)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.55)
<b>Total</b>		<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>183</b>

S No	R. Neoplasm	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Other Neoplasm	6 (17.65)	18 (24.32)	22 (24.18)	21 (26.92)	29 (30.85)	27 (29.67)	123 (26.62)
2	Ca Stomach	5 (14.71)	17 (22.97)	19 (20.88)	21 (26.92)	31 (32.98)	22 (24.18)	115 (24.89)
3	Ca Liver	12 (35.29)	11 (14.86)	12 (13.19)	7 (08.97)	6 (06.38)	8 (08.79)	56 (12.12)
4	Ca Oesophagus	2 (05.88)	3 (04.05)	17 (18.68)	6 (07.69)	7 (07.45)	8 (08.79)	43 (09.31)
5	Ca Oral Cavity including Larynx	1 (02.94)	8 (10.81)	8 (08.79)	7 (08.97)	3 (03.19)	5 (05.49)	32 (06.93)
6	Neoplasm Benign	3 (08.82)	5 (06.76)	1 (01.10)	8 (10.26)	5 (05.32)	10 (10.99)	32 (06.93)
7	Ca Bronchus/Lung	4 (11.76)	7 (09.46)	2 (02.20)	2 (02.56)	8 (08.51)	3 (03.20)	26 (05.63)
8	Ca Cervix	1 (02.94)	1 (01.35)	7 (07.69)	4 (05.13)	3 (03.19)	5 (05.49)	21 (04.55)
9	Ca Breast	0 (00.00)	4 (05.41)	3 (03.30)	2 (02.56)	2 (02.13)	3 (03.30)	14 (03.30)
<b>Total</b>		<b>34</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>462</b>

S No	S. New Born	Year					Total
		2013	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	New Born	0 (00.00)	1 (11.11)	20 (41.67)	46 (79.31)	46 (79.31)	113 (64.94)
2	Neonatal Jaundice	0 (00.00)	2 (22.22)	18 (37.50)	7 (12.07)	5 (08.62)	32 (18.39)



3	Respiratory Distress	1 (100.00)	2 (22.22)	7 (14.58)	3 (05.17)	0 (00.00)	13 (07.47)
4	Umbilical Sepsis/Bacterial Sepsis of New Born	0 (00.00)	1 (11.11)	1 (02.08)	1 (01.72)	3 (05.17)	6 (03.45)
5	Other new-born conditions	0 (00.00)	2 (22.22)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.72)	3 (05.17)	6 (03.45)
6	Preterm	0 (00.00)	1 (11.11)	1 (02.08)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.72)	3 (01.720)
7	Neonatal dehydration	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.08)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.57)
<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>174</b>

S No	T. Obstetrics	Year						Total
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Pregnancy in Labour	13 (18.84)	24 (24.74)	33 (27.73)	68 (45.95)	116 (87.88)	139 (90.85)	393 (54.74)
2	Normal Vaginal Delivery	1 (01.45)	15 (15.46)	29 (24.37)	50 (33.78)	8 (06.06)	4 (02.61)	107 (14.90)
3	LSCS Delivery	13 (18.84)	17 (17.53)	13 (10.92)	4 (02.70)	1 (00.76)	4 (02.61)	52 (07.24)
4	Other Maternal & Obstetrics Disorder	15 (21.74)	15 (15.46)	11 (09.24)	8 (05.41)	1 (00.76)	0 (00.00)	50 (06.96)
5	Maternal Care for Disproportion including Cephalo-pelvic Disproportion	5 (07.25)	6 (06.19)	6 (05.04)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.65)	18 (02.51)
6	Full term with previous C/S	0 (00.00)	3 (03.09)	9 (07.56)	3 (02.03)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	15 (02.09)
7	Spontaneous Abortion	1 (01.45)	0 (00.00)	2 (01.68)	3 (02.03)	3 (02.27)	1 (00.65)	10 (01.39)
8	Prolong Labour	5 (07.25)	4 (04.12)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	9 (01.25)
9	Edema, Proteinuria, and Hypertensive Disorder in Pregnancy, Childbirth & Puerperium	2 (02.90)	4 (04.12)	1 (00.84)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.65)	8 (01.11)
10	Pre-Eclampsia / Eclampsia	1 (01.45)	2 (02.06)	3 (02.52)	2 (01.35)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	8 (01.11)
11	Assisted Vaginal Delivery	1 (01.45)	1 (01.03)	4 (03.36)	1 (00.68)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	7 (00.97)
12	Ectopic Pregnancy (include ruptured ectopic pregnancy)	1 (01.45)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (02.03)	1 (00.76)	0 (00.00)	5 (00.70)
13	Anaemia Complicating Pregnancy, Childbirth and Puerperium	2 (02.90)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.84)	1 (00.68)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	4 (00.56)
14	Preterm Labour	1 (01.45)	1 (01.03)	2 (01.68)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	4 (00.56)
15	Stillbirth	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.84)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.76)	1 (00.65)	3 (00.42)

16	Haemorrhage in Early	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (01.35)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.65)	3 (00.42)
17	Maternal Infections,	1 (01.45)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (01.35)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (00.42)
18	Antepartum Haemorrhage	1 (01.45)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.84)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.28)
19	Breech Delivery	2 (02.90)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.28)
20	Malpresentation of Foetus	1 (01.45)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.84)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.28)
21	Persons Encountering	0 (00.00)	2 (02.06)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.28)
22	Placenta Previa	1 (01.45)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.84)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.28)
23	Postpartum Haemorrhage	0 (00.00)	1 (01.03)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.76)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.28)
24	False Labour	1 (01.45)	1 (01.03)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (00.28)
25	Diabetes Mellitus in	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.65)	1 (00.14)
26	Excessive Vomiting in	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.84)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.14)
27	Obstructed Labour	1 (01.45)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.14)
28	Puerperal Sepsis & Other Puerperal Infections	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.68)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.14)
29	Amenorrhoea	0 (00.00)	1 (01.03)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.14)
<b>Total</b>		<b>69</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>718</b>

S No	U. Psychiatry, Behavioural, Neurodevelopmental Disorder	Year					Total
		2013	2014	2016	2017	2018	
1	Anxiety, Dissociative	0 (00.00)	3 (60.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (100.00)	5 (41.67)
2	Alcohol or Other Substance Use Disorder	1 (33.33)	0 (00.00)	1 (100.00)	1 (100.00)	0 (00.00)	3 (25.00)
3	Mood Disorder (Mania, Bipolar, Major Depression)	1 (33.33)	1 (20.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	2 (16.67)
4	Other Psychiatric, Behavioural, Neurodevelopmental Disorder	0 (00.00)	1(20.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (08.33)
5	Psychotic Disorder including Schizophrenia	1 (33.33)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (08.33)
<b>Total</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>

S No	V. Respiratory Disorders	Year						
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
1	Chronic Lower Respiratory Tract Infection including Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema	7 (25.93)	9 (17.65)	18 (27.27)	33 (35.87)	39 (33.91)	24 (35.82)	130 (31.10)
2	Pneumonia & Bronchopneumonia	11 (40.74)	16 (31.37)	18 (27.27)	25 (27.27)	32 (27.83)	20 (29.85)	122 (29.19)
3	Other Respiratory Disorders	2 (07.41)	3 (05.88)	9 (13.64)	2 (02.17)	14 (12.17)	11 (16.42)	41 (09.81)
4	Asthma	5 (18.52)	10 (19.61)	5 (07.58)	9 (09.78)	7 (06.09)	1 (01.49)	37 (08.85)
5	Acute Bronchitis/Bronchiolitis	1 (03.70)	4 (07.84)	6 (09.09)	9 (09.78)	2 (01.74)	2 (02.99)	24 (05.74)
6	Acute Upper Respiratory Infection	0 (00.00)	4 (07.84)	5 (07.58)	7 (07.61)	8 (06.96)	0 (00.00)	24 (05.74)
7	Pleural effusion	0 (00.00)	5 (09.80)	1 (01.52)	3 (03.26)	6 (05.22)	2 (02.99)	17 (04.07)
8	Respiratory Distress	1 (03.70)	0 (00.00)	4 (06.06)	3 (03.26)	3 (02.61)	5 (07.46)	16 (03.83)
9	Bronchiectasis	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (01.09)	4 (03.48)	2 (02.99)	7 (01.67)
<b>Total</b>		<b>27</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>418</b>

S No	W. Vector Borne Diseases	Year						
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
1	Dengue/DHF/DSS/Yellow	16 (61.54)	25 (67.57)	31 (83.78)	34 (85.00)	31 (75.61)	19 (90.48)	156 (77.23)
2	Malaria	10 (38.46)	12 (32.43)	6 (16.22)	5 (12.50)	10 (24.39)	2 (09.52)	45 (22.28)
3	Chickungunya	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (02.50)	0 (00.00)	0 (00.00)	1 (00.50)
<b>Total</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>202</b>

<b>Annexure 5: COMPREHENSIVE GLOBAL MONITORING FRAMEWORK, INCLUDING 25 INDICATORS, AND A SET OF NINE VOLUNTARY GLOBAL TARGETS FOR THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF NONCOMMUNICABLE DISEASES</b>		
<i>Framework Element</i>	<i>Target</i>	<i>Indicators</i>
Premature mortality from non-communicable disease	1: A 25% relative reduction in the overall mortality from cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes, or chronic respiratory diseases	1: Unconditional probability of dying between ages of 30 and 70 from cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes or chronic respiratory diseases
Additional Indictors		2: Cancer incidence, by type of cancer, per 100 000 population
Harmful use of alcohol	2: At least 10% relative reduction in the harmful use of alcohol, as appropriate, within the national context	3: Total (recorded and unrecorded) alcohol per capita (aged 15+ years old) consumption within a calendar year in litres of pure alcohol, as appropriate, within the national context
		4: Age-standardized prevalence of heavy episodic drinking among adolescents and adults, as appropriate, within the national context
		5: Alcohol-related morbidity and mortality among adolescents and adults, as appropriate, within the national context
Physical inactivity	3: A 10% relative reduction in prevalence of insufficient physical activity	6: Prevalence of insufficiently physically active adolescents, defined as less than 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous intensity activity daily
		7: Age-standardized prevalence of insufficiently physically active persons aged 18+ years (defined as less than 150 minutes of moderate-intensity activity per week, or equivalent)
Salt/sodium intake	4: A 30% relative reduction in mean population intake of salt/sodium	8: Age-standardized mean population intake of salt (sodium chloride) per day in grams in persons aged 18+ years
Tobacco use	5: A 30% relative reduction in prevalence of current tobacco use in persons aged 15+ year	9: Prevalence of current tobacco use among adolescents
		10: Age-standardized prevalence of current tobacco use among persons aged 18+ years
<b>BIOLOGICAL RISK FACTORS</b>		
Raised blood pressure	6: A 25% relative reduction in the prevalence of raised blood pressure or contain the prevalence of raised blood pressure, according to national circumstance	11. Age-standardized prevalence of raised blood pressure among persons aged 18+ years (defined as systolic blood pressure $\geq 140$ mmHg and/or diastolic blood pressure $\geq 90$ mmHg) and mean systolic blood pressure
Diabetes and obesity	7: Halt the rise in diabetes & obesity	12: Age-standardized prevalence of raised blood glucose/ diabetes among persons aged 18+ years (defined as

		fasting plasma glucose concentration $\geq$ 7.0 mmol/l (126 mg/dl) or on medication for raised blood glucose)
		13: Prevalence of overweight and obesity in adolescents (defined according to the WHO growth reference for school-aged children and adolescents, overweight – one standard deviation body mass index for age and sex, and obese – two standard deviations body mass index for age and sex
		14: Age-standardized prevalence of overweight and obesity in persons aged 18+ years (defined as body mass index $\geq$ 25 kg/ m <sup>2</sup> for overweight and body mass index $\geq$ 30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> for obesity)
Additional indicators		15: Age-standardized mean proportion of total energy intake from saturated fatty acids in persons aged 18+ year
		16: Age-standardized prevalence of persons (aged 18+ years) consuming less than five total servings (400 grams) of fruit and vegetables per day
		17: Age-standardized prevalence of raised total cholesterol among persons aged 18+ years (defined as total cholesterol $\geq$ 5.0 mmol/l or 190 mg/dl); and mean total cholesterol concentration
Drug therapy to prevent heart attacks and strokes	8: At-least 50% of eligible people receive drug therapy and counselling (including glycaemic control) to prevent heart attacks and strokes	18: Proportion of eligible persons (defined as aged 40 years and older with a 10-year cardiovascular risk $\geq$ 30%, including those with existing cardiovascular disease) receiving drug therapy and counselling (including glycaemic control) to prevent heart attacks and stroke
Essential non-communicable disease medicines and basic technologies to treat major non-communicable diseases	9: An 80% availability of the affordable basic technologies and essential medicines, including generics, required to treat major non-communicable diseases in both public and private facilities	19: Availability and affordability of quality, safe and efficacious essential non-communicable disease medicines, including generics, and basic technologies in both public and private facilities
Additional Indicators		20: Access to palliative care assessed by morphine-equivalent consumption of strong opioid analgesics (excluding methadone) per death from cancer
		21: Adoption of national policies that limit saturated fatty acids and virtually eliminate partially hydrogenated vegetable oils in the food supply, as

	appropriate, within the national context and national programmes
	22: Availability, as appropriate, if cost-effective and affordable, of vaccines against human papillomavirus, according to national programmes and policies
	23: Policies to reduce the impact on children of marketing of foods and non-alcoholic beverages high in saturated fats, trans fatty acids, free sugars, or salt
	24: Vaccination coverage against hepatitis B virus monitored by number of third doses of Hep-B vaccine (HepB3) administered to infants
	25: Proportion of women between the ages of 30–49 screened for cervical cancer at least once, or more often, and for lower or higher age groups according to national programmes or policies
Reference: WHO 2013: Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013 - 2020	

<b>Annexure 6: WHO's 16 Best Buys Interventions for NCDs</b>		
<b>Risk factor/ disease to be addressed</b>	<b>Intervention</b>	<b>Detailed description</b>
Reduce Tobacco use	Tax	Increase excise taxes and prices on tobacco products
	Packaging	Implement plain/standardized packaging and/or large graphic health warnings on all tobacco packages
	Advertising, promotion and sponsorship	Enact and enforce comprehensive bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship
	Smoke-free public places	Eliminate exposure to second-hand tobacco smoke in all indoor workplaces, public places, and public transport
	Educate	Implement effective mass media campaigns that educate the public about the harms of smoking/tobacco use and second-hand smoke
Reduce harmful use of alcohol	Tax	Increase excise taxes on alcoholic beverages
	Advertising	Enact and enforce bans or comprehensive restrictions on exposure to alcohol advertising (across multiple types of media)
	Availability	Enact and enforce restrictions on the physical availability of retailed alcohol (via reduced hours of sale)
Reduce unhealthy diet	Reformulate food	Reduce salt intake through the reformulation of food products to contain less salt and the setting of target levels for the amount of salt in foods and meals
	Supportive environments	Reduce salt intake through the establishment of a supportive environment in public institutions such as hospitals, schools, workplaces and nursing homes, to enable lower sodium options to be provided
	Educate	Reduce salt intake through a behaviour change communication and mass media campaign
	Packaging	Reduce salt intake through the implementation of front-of-pack labelling
Reduce physical inactivity	Educate	Implement community-wide public education and awareness campaigns for physical activity which includes a mass media campaign combined with other community based education, motivational and environmental programmes aimed at supporting behavioural change of physical activity levels
Manage cardiovascular disease and diabetes	Drug therapy and counselling	Drug therapy (including glycaemic control for diabetes mellitus and control of hypertension using a total risk <sup>2</sup> approach) and counselling to individuals who have had a heart attack or stroke and to persons with high risk ( $\geq 30\%$ ) of a fatal and non-fatal cardiovascular event in the next 10 years
Manage cancer	Vaccinate	Vaccination against human papillomavirus (2 doses) of 9-13 year old girls
	Screening	Prevention of cervical cancer by screening women aged 30–49, either through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visual inspection with acetic acid, linked with timely treatment of precancerous lesions;</li> <li>• Pap smear (cervical cytology) every 3–5 years, linked with timely treatment of precancerous lesions; or</li> <li>• Human papillomavirus test every 5 years linked with timely treatment of precancerous lesions</li> </ul>
Reference: WHO/Sustainable Development Goal 2017: 'Best buys' and other recommended interventions for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases. Tackling NCDs.		

## Annexure 7: National NCD Target for India



### National NCD Targets for India

#### Premature mortality from noncommunicable disease



- 25% relative reduction in overall mortality from the 4 main NCDs by 2025

#### Harmful alcohol use



- 10% relative reduction in alcohol use by 2025

#### Physical inactivity



- 10% relative reduction in the prevalence of physical inactivity by 2025

#### Sodium intake



- 30% relative reduction in mean population salt intake by 2025, with aim of achieving less than 5 mg of salt per day

#### Tobacco use



- 30% relative reduction in prevalence of current tobacco use by 2025

#### Raised blood pressure



- 25% relative reduction in prevalence of raised blood pressure by 2025

#### Diabetes and obesity



- Halt the rise in diabetes by 2025

- Halt the rise in obesity by 2025

#### Drug therapy to prevent heart attacks and strokes



- 50% of eligible people receive drug therapy and counseling (including glycemic control) to prevent heart attacks and strokes by 2025

#### Essential noncommunicable disease medicines and basic technologies to treat major noncommunicable diseases



- 80% availability and affordability of quality, safe and efficacious essential NCD medicines including generics and basic technologies by 2025

Reference: National Action Plan and Monitoring Framework for Prevention and Control of NCDs in India

Based on country-provided documents as of September 2017.  
Listed targets are only those closely linked to the Global NCD Targets.  
Other national targets may exist.



## **Annexure 9: Consent and Participant Information Form**

1. Study Title: Implementation Research on Hypertension and Diabetes under Comprehensive Community Outreach and Coordinated Care (CCOCC) Program of DoH-CTA, Dharamsala

2. Researchers and Institutional Affiliation:

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Please give this sheet to the participant and if s/he wishes read this out to the participant

Tashi Delek,

We (I), \_\_\_\_\_ are here to do research on Hypertension (high blood pressure) and Diabetes (sugar disease). We will be taking your blood pressure, weight and height and also take blood for blood sugar measurement if you are above 30 years. We (I) will also be asking questions about Hypertension and Diabetes and issues related to them. It is hoped that this study will help us understand about Hypertension and Diabetes and the issues related to Hypertension and Diabetes in our community. The survey should take about 30-45 minutes to complete. The participation in the survey is voluntary and you can choose not to answer any question or all the questions. Whatever information questions you provide will be kept strictly confidential. Do you have question? If you have, we (I) will try to answer all the.

If you wish we can share with you what we know about Hypertension and Diabetes and if you are found to have Hypertension (high blood pressure) and/or Diabetes, we will also discuss with you about them and where you can go for further check-ups and you can finally make your own decision. If you have any doubts and clarification regarding Hypertension and Diabetes then you can ask us without hesitation. We will try to answer them to the best of our capacity.

### **Benefits**

The immediate benefit of your participation is that you will know about your current Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar status. And that will be done free of cost. Also, your participation will help us to understand the Hypertension and Diabetes prevalence in our community and help DoH-CTA in planning for health intervention strategies.

### **Confidentiality**

The information that we collect from this research study will be kept confidential. We will not be sharing the information to anyone outside the research team/field staff collecting the study, and no-one will be able to see it. The information collected from you will only carry the allotted random number and will not carry your name or any personal information. If the name is used, then it will be erased after the data is collected and entered into the computer. That way both the computer and form will not have your name. We will give you a code number. Please refer to that number if you wish to communicate to us.

### **Sharing of research findings**

At the end of the study, we will be sharing what we have learnt with you if you so desire.

### **Right to refuse or withdraw**



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