

## QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS

### ADDRESSING HEALTH ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY

After concluding the data collection phase through Google Forms with participants spanning various age groups, the subsequent stage of the research entailed a comprehensive thematic analysis of interview transcripts using Microsoft Excel. This analytical process followed the method outlined by Guest et al. (2011), involving multiple steps. The initial steps involved a detailed examination of textual data to identify and code themes. Following this, the interpretation of the structure and content of this theme was conducted, guided by the framework proposed by Guest et al. (2011).

The data analysis employed an inductive and cyclical approach, involving a meticulous review and re-review of each transcript. This iterative process included identifying emerging patterns, coding data with appropriate labels, and generating overarching themes and sub-themes. In the final stages of mapping and interpretation, key contents were identified across and within the data, accompanied by preliminary explanations of their associations. Notably, relevant data extracts were used to illustrate and support key findings derived from the thematic analysis.

#### THEME AND SUBTHEME

THEME	SUBTHEMES
Health Issues in The Community	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Most serious issue in the community affecting you.</li><li>2. Why do you see this as the most serious issue for you?</li><li>3. Best solution to the issue</li><li>4. How would you participate in the proposed solution?</li><li>5. Who do you believe is in the best position to offer the solution?</li></ol>

## **SECTION A: SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS**

The study was carried out among six participants between the ages of 17 and 37 years, with a mean age of 26 years. Most participants (4, 60%) are females, and the remaining (2, 40%) are males. The majority (5, 83%) of the participants have a tertiary education background. All participants adhere to the Christian faith. Half of the participants (3, 50%) are employed, while the other half are not. Additionally, half of the participants (3, 50%) live in urban settings, while the others live in rural settings

### 1.1 Socio-Demographic Characteristics of the Respondents

Socio-demographic data	Frequency (%) (n=6)
Age	
Min	17 years
Max	37 years
Mean age	26 years
Gender	
Male	2 (40%)
Female	4 (60%)
Educational level	
None	0 (0%)
Primary	0 (0%)
Secondary	1 (17%)
Tertiary	5 (83%)
Religion	
Christianity	6 (100%)
Muslim	0 (0%)
Traditional	0 (0%)
Others	0 (0%)
Employment status	
Employed	3 (50%)
Unemployed	3 (50%)
Location	
Rural	3 (50%)
Urban	3 (50%)

## **SECTION B: HEALTH ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY**

### **2.1 What do you see as the most serious issue in the community affecting you?**

The respondents were asked about the most serious issue they believe to be affecting the community, and most of them indicated the issue of road traffic accidents and the lack of easy and timely accessibility to healthcare services for the victims. Additionally, poor governance, lack of opportunities, and inadequate infrastructure to support growth among the populace were also mentioned.

*"Poor health facilities that will attend to road accidents victims"* Participant 3, 23, Female

*"Governmental Commitment to a better nation"* Participant 5, 30 years, Male

### **2.2 Why do you see this as the most serious issue for you?**

The participants have various reasons for choosing issues that are affecting the community. These include the increased rate of preventable road traffic accidents in the community, which is also caused by terrible roads. Additionally, the lack of opportunities and necessary infrastructure is affecting the growth of the populace, especially the youth. Most importantly, participants pointed out the lack of commitment from the government to the nation's growth.

*"Due to the frequents road accidents, the health facilities available isn't enough to cater for all the victims which then lead to the inability to receive adequate medical attention"* Participant 3, 23 years, Female

*"Because it's an issue that could be avoided"* Participant 6, 37 years, Female.

*"The lack of opportunities affects my progress rate while the lack of infrastructures has hindered my learning growth and upskilling goal."* Participant 2, 25 years, Male

*"Government commitment forms a pivot to individual, and communal willingness to give and contribute to development"* Participant 5, 30 years, Male

### **2.3 What do you believe it's the best solution to the issue?**

The participants were asked to suggest the best solutions to address the issues raised. Various suggestions were mentioned by the participants, including Ensuring easy accessibility and timely rendering of healthcare services, particularly for emergency cases of road traffic accidents, and introducing stricter policies on road and traffic-related offenses. providing infrastructure for the community. promoting good and intentional governance.

*"In my opinion, hospitals need to address delays in waiting time to see patients with emergency cases such as a road transport accident case. There should be paramedics available to provide first-aid care and treatment to these issues as soon as possible."* Participant 1, 24 years, Female.

*"There should be working road traffic lights to help reduce the rate at which road accidents occur and also, there should also be enough sensitization about not drinking while driving to help reduce the rate at which road accidents occur."* Participant 3, 23 years, Female.

*"Election of best candidate to governmental offices beyond ethnicity and prejudice. Secondly, educating the older generation about the need to beyond ethnical prejudice."* Participant 5, 30 years, Male.

### **2.4 How would you participate in the proposed solution?**

When asked about how the participants would participate in their proposed solutions, the majority indicated their willingness to create awareness of traffic rules and regulations among road users to prevent road traffic accidents. Additionally, one of the participants expressed the intention to actively participate in the forthcoming election.

*"I can participate by creating awareness of traffic rules and regulations among the road transport workers in my community. I would encourage them to abide by the stipulated traffic rules to ensure road safety as well as save lives."* Participant 1, 23 years, Female.

*"Creating awareness about the havoc of drinking while driving"* Participant 3, 23 years, Female.

*"Participating actively in the next election cycle"* Participant 2, 25 years, Male.

## **2.4 Who do you believe is in the best position to offer the solution?**

The majority of the participants emphasized that the government and policymakers are in the best position to offer solutions to the issues raised. Additionally, non-governmental organizations were mentioned as potential contributors. However, one participant specifically stated that citizens are in the best position to offer solutions to the issue of good governance.

*"I believe in the collaboration of the government, non-governmental agencies, and even my community members. Together, with our efforts we can prevent road traffic accidents."* Participant 1, 24 years, Female.

*"The citizens"* Participant 5, 30 years,