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NICOBARS | ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS

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About District Nutrition Profiles:

District Nutrition Profiles (DNPs) are available for 707 districts in India. They present trends for key nutrition and health outcomes and their cross-sectoral determinants in a district. The DNPs are based on data from the National Family Health Survey (NFHS)-4 (2015-2016) and NFHS-5 (2019-2020). They are aimed primarily at district administrators, state functionaries, local leaders, and development actors working at the district-level.



Figure 1: Map highlights district Nicobars in the state/UT of Andaman And Nicobar Islands

What factors lead to child undernutrition?

Given the focus of India's national nutrition mission on child

undernutrition, the DNPs focus in on the determinants of child undernutrition (Figure on the left). Multiple determinants of suboptimal child nutrition and development contribute to the

outcomes seen at the district-level. Different types of

interventions can influence these determinants. Immediate

determinants include inadequacies in food, health, and care for

infants and young children, especially in the first two years of life. Nutrition-specific interventions such as health service

delivery at the right time during pregnancy and early childhood

can affect immediate determinants. Underlying and basic

determinants include women's status, household food security,

hygiene, and socio-economic conditions. Nutrition-sensitive

interventions such as social safety nets, sanitation programs,

women's empowerment, and agriculture programs can affect

Optimum fetal and child nutrition and development

IMMEDIATE DETERMINANTS

Brestfeeding, nutrient-rich foods, caregiving practices, low burden of infectious diseases

UNDERLYING AND BASIC DETERMINANTS

Women's status, sanitation and hygiene, food security, socioeconomic conditions

Source: Adapted from Black et al. (2008)

NUTRITION-SPECIFIC INTERVENTIONS

Service delivery to mothers and infants along the continuum of care, access to health facilities

INTERVENTIONS THAT AFFECT UNDERLYING AND BASIC DETERMINANTS

Women's empowerment, sanitation, agriculture, and social safety net programs

District demographic profile, 2019-20

Nicobars



989/1,000

Sex ratio (females per 1,000 males) of the total population



12,608

Number of women of reproductive age (15-49 yrs)



underlying and basic determinants.

525

Number of pregnant women



362

Number of live births



3,368

Total number of children under 5 yrs



283

Number of pregnant women

Source:

- 1. IFPRI estimates The headcount was calculated as the product of the undernutrition prevalence and the total eligible projected population for each district in 2019. Projected population for 2019 was estimated using Census 2011.
- 2. NFHS-4 (2015-16) & NFHS-5 district & state factsheets (2019-20).

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