**Table.1 Distribution of several factors with the diarrhea status of children, MICS 2006, 2012, and 2019.**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Characteristics | 2006 | | | 2012 | | | 2019 | | |
| Diarrhea | | P-value | Diarrhea | | P-value | Diarrhea | | P-value |
| Yes | No |  | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| N (%) | N (%) |  | N (%) | N (%) | N (%) | N (%) |
| CHILD CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | | | | |
| Age of child (in months) | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-11 | 483 (8.5) | 5185 (91.5) | **<0.001** | 213 (5.4) | 3769 (94.6) | **<0.001** | 421 (9.1) | 4184 (90.9) | **<0.001** |
| 12-23 | 606 (10.0) | 5423 (90.0) | 315 (7.7) | 3776 (92.3) | 448 (10.1) | 3986 (89.9) |
| 24-35 | 444 (7.0) | 5876 (93.0) | 140 (3.3) | 4048 (96.7) | 326 (7.1) | 4279 (92.9) |
| 36-47 | 388 (5.7) | 6398 (94.3) | 97 (2.2) | 4232 (97.8) | 247 (5.1) | 4570 (94.9) |
| 48-59 | 332 (4.9) | 6410 (95.1) | 61 (1.4) | 4242 (98.6) | 154 (3.3) | 4473 (96.7) |
| Child’s sex | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 1200 (7.4) | 15017 (92.6) | 0.107 | 421 (3.9) | 10268 (96.1) | 0.931 | 860 (7.2) | 11144 (92.8) | 0.178 |
| Female | 1054 (6.9) | 14278 (93.1) | 404 (4.0) | 9799 (96.0) | 736 (6.6) | 10347 (93.4) |
| Inadequate Supervision | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | - | - |  | 82 (5.1) | 1504 (94.9) | 0.057 | 120 (8.1) | 1367 (91.9) | 0.079 |
| No | - | - | 742 (3.8) | 18545 (96.2) | 1477 (6.8) | 20122 (93.2) |
| Underweight | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | - | - |  | 259 (4.0) | 6167 (96.0) | 0.879 | 439 (8.5) | 4698 (91.5) | **<0.001** |
| No | - | - | 537 (4.0) | 12950 (96.0) | 1120 (6.5) | 16181 (93.5) |
| Stunned | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | - | - |  | 323 (3.9) | 7893 (96.1) | 0.867 | 461 (7.4) | 5765 (92.6) | 0.132 |
| No | - | - | 447 (4.0) | 10752 (96.0) | 1071 (6.8) | 14747 (93.2) |
| Wasted | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | - | - |  | 92 (4.7) | 1862 (95.3) | 0.148 | 178 (8.1) | 2028 (91.9) | 0.053 |
| No | - | - | 699 (4.0) | 16979 (96.0) | 1353 (6.8) | 18442 (93.2) |
| Overweight | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | - | - |  | 44 (2.8) | 1529 (97.2) | 0.050 | 90 (5.5) | 1539 (94.5) | 0.057 |
| No | - | - | 781 (4.0) | 18538 (96.0) | 1507 (7.0) | 19952 (93.0) |
| COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | | | | |
| Place of residence | | | | | | | | | |
| Urban | 1630 (7.1) | 21394 (92.9) | 0.293 | 627 (3.8) | 15998 (96.2) | 0.098 | 1255 (6.9) | 16932 (93.1) | 0.896 |
| Rural | 611 (7.4) | 7661 (92.6) | 198 (4.6) | 4069 (95.4) | 342 (7.0) | 4560 (93.0) |
| Tribal | 13 (5.1) | 240 (94.9) | - | - | - | - |
| Division | | | | | | | | | |
| Barishal | 167 (8.9) | 1705 (91.1) | **<0.001** | 80 (6.3) | 1188 (93.7) | **0.002** | 185 (14.1) | 1129 (85.9) | **<0.001** |
| Chattogram | 515 (7.6) | 6279 (92.4) | 218 (4.6) | 4571 (95.4) | 380 (7.6) | 4651 (92.4) |
| Dhaka | 704 (7.1) | 9228 (92.9) | 224 (3.5) | 6231 (96.5) | 311 (5.7) | 5177 (94.3) |
| Khulna | 139 (4.4) | 3008 (95.6) | 67 (3.3) | 1942 (96.7) | 155 (6.5) | 2238 (93.5) |
| Mymensingh | - | - | - | - | 153 (8.7) | 1597 (91.3) |
| Rajshahi | 540 (7.4) | 6743 (92.6) | 85 (3.6) | 2319 (96.4) | 182 (6.6) | 2568 (93.4) |
| Rangpur | - | - | 90 (3.8) | 2282 (96.2) | 112 (4.5) | 2379 (95.5) |
| Sylhet | 189 (7.5) | 2333 (92.5) | 61 (3.8) | 1533 (96.2) | 119 (6.3) | 1753 (93.7) |
| PARENTAL CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | | | | |
| Mother’s Education | | | | | | | | | |
| Primary incomplete | 1299 (8.0) | 14912 (92.0) | **<0.001** | 319 (4.2) | 7323 (95.8) | 0.786 | 199 (7.7) | 2387 (92.3) | 0.052 |
| Primary complete | 274 (6.7) | 3808 (93.3) | 118 (3.6) | 3137 (96.4) | 402 (7.3) | 5078 (92.7) |
| Secondary incomplete | 489 (6.2) | 7454 (93.8) | 282 (3.9) | 7003 (96.1) | 779 (6.9) | 10548 (93.1) |
| Secondary complete or higher | 178 (5.5) | 3027 (94.5) | 106 (3.9) | 2605 (96.1) | 217 (5.9) | 3478 (94.1) |
| Non-standard curriculum | 14 (13.6) | 92 (86.4) | - | - | - | - |  |
| Mother’s Age at the Survey Time | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 – 19 | 471 (7.8) | 5605 (92.3) | 0.390 | 71 (5.4) | 1251 (94.6) | **0.004** | 294 (6.9) | 3944 (93.1) | 0.991 |
| 20-34 | 938 (7.1) | 12322 (92.9) | 578 (4.5) | 12410 (95.5) | 715 (6.9) | 9620 (93.1) |
| 35+ | 620 (7.2) | 7947 (92.8) | 112 (3.2) | 3440 (96.8) | 475 (7.0) | 6334 (93.0) |
| HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | | | | |
| Wealth Index | | | | | | | | | |
| Poorest | 685 (8.6) | 7299 (91.4) | **<0.001** | 246 (4.8) | 4857 (95.2) | 0.071 | 421 (8.4) | 4615 (91.6) | **<0.001** |
| Poor | 502 (7.6) | 6107 (92.4) | 155 (3.6) | 4128 (96.4) | 371 (8.2) | 4159 (91.8) |
| Middle | 420 (7.1) | 5495 (92.9) | 130 (3.4) | 3752 (96.6) | 262 (6.1) | 4036 (93.9) |
| Rich | 326 (5.6) | 5526 (94.4) | 139 (3.7) | 3609 (96.3) | 281 (6.2) | 4226 (93.8) |
| Richest | 321 (6.2) | 4867 (93.8) | 155 (4.0) | 3722 (96.0) | 262 (5.5) | 4456 (94.5) |
| Religion | | | | | | | | | |
| Islam | 2082 (7.3) | 26611 (92.7) | 0.061 | 710 (4.0) | 17115 (96.0) | 0.904 | 1489 (7.0) | 19658 (93.0) | **0.026** |
| Others | 172 (6.0) | 2684 (94.0) | 80 (3.9) | 1956 (96.1) | 107 (5.5) | 1834 (94.5) |
| Household Head Sex | | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 2155 (7.2) | 27838 (92.8) | 0.285 | 689 (4.0) | 16519 (96.0) | 0.704 | 1483 (7.0) | 19626 (93.0) | 0.067 |
| Female | 99 (6.3) | 1456 (93.7) | 101 (3.8) | 2552 (96.2) | 114 (5.7) | 1865 (94.0) |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | | |
| Bengali | 2225 (7.2) | 28813 (92.8) | 0.144 | 768 (4.0) | 18505 (96.0) | 0.814 | 1571 (6.9) | 21263 (93.1) | **0.019** |
| Other | 29 (5.7) | 476 (94.3) | 22 (3.7) | 567 (96.3) | 25 (10.0) | 229 (90.0) |
| Toilet facilities shared | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 943 (7.5) | 11636 (92.5) | **0.016** | 175 (3.4) | 4942 (96.6) | **0.038** | 541 (7.8) | 6365 (92.2) | **0.001** |
| No | 1076 (6.6) | 15123 (93.4) | 603 (4.2) | 13815 (95.8) | 1027 (6.5) | 14781 (93.5) |
| Toilet facility type | | | | | | | | | |
| Improved | 1436 (6.5) | 20646 (93.5) | **<0.001** | 758 (4.0) | 18343 (96.0) | 0.868 | 1491 (6.8) | 20531 (93.2) | **0.001** |
| Non-improved | 814 (8.7) | 8597 (91.4) | 31 (4.1) | 729 (95.9) | 104 (9.8) | 958 (90.2) |
| Salt Iodization | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 1803 (6.9) | 24430 (93.1) | **<0.001** | 591 (4.0) | 14067 (96.0) | 0.601 | 1141 (6.6) | 16239 (93.4) | **0.002** |
| No | 449 (8.6) | 4793 (91.4) | 199 (3.8) | 5002 (96.2) | 455 (8.0) | 5244 (92.0) |
| Mass Media | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | - | - | - | 398 (4.3) | 8845 (95.7) | 0.817 | 851 (6.6) | 11968 (93.4) | 0.059 |
| No | - | - | 363 (4.2) | 8250 (95.8) | 634 (7.4) | 7930 (92.6) |
| Household size | | | | | | | | | |
| <5 | 718 (6.9) | 9708 (93.1) | 0.322 | 426 (3.8) | 10960 (96.3) | 0.154 | 925 (6.7) | 12865 (93.3) | 0.191 |
| 5/5+ | 1536 (7.3) | 19587 (92.7) | 363 (4.3) | 8111 (95.7) | 671 (7.2) | 8626 (92.8) |
| Livestock ownership | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | - | - | - | 452 (4.0) | 10773 (96.0) | 0.786 | 913 (6.9) | 12329 (93.1) | 0.858 |
| No | - | - | 336 (3.9) | 8234 (96.1) | 682 (6.9) | 9116 (93.1) |
| Source water type | | | | | | | | | |
| Improved | 2216 (7.1) | 28783 (92.9) | 0.854 | 772 (4.0) | 18590 (96.0) | 0.687 | 1566 (6.90) | 21122 (93.10) | 0.537 |
| Unimproved | 38 (6.9) | 508 (93.1) | 17 (3.5) | 481 (96.5) | 30 (7.54) | 370 (92.50) |
| Source of water | | | | | | | | | |
| Direct from source | - | - | - | 8 (3.7) | 218 (96.3) | 0.097 | 27 (8.7) | 290 (91.4) | 0.366 |
| Covered container | - | - | 113 (4.2) | 2570 (95.8) | 216 (7.4) | 2706 (92.6) |
| Uncovered container | - | - | 32 (2.7) | 1166 (97.3) | 88 (6.3) | 1304 (93.7) |
| Water treatment | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 170 (8.1) | 1917 (91.9) | 0.214 | 88 (4.6) | 1828 (95.4) | 0.256 | 168 (6.9) | 2271 (93.1) | 0.945 |
| No | 2078 (7.1) | 27344 (92.9) | 702 (3.9) | 17238 (96.1) | 1429 (6.9) | 19214 (93.1) |
| **Total** | **2254 (7.1)** | **29295 (92.9)** |  | **825 (3.9)** | **20067 (96.1)** |  | **1596 (6.9)** | **21492 (93.1)** |  |

**Table.2 Factors associated with the diarrhea status of children using multivariable logistic regression model (MICS 2006, 2012, and 2019)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Characteristics | 2006 |  | 2012 |  | 2019 |  |
| AOR (95% CI) | P-value | AOR (95% CI) | P-value | AOR (95% CI) | P-value |
| CHILD CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | |
| Age of child (in months) | |  | |  | |  |
| 0-11 | 1.81 (1.50, 2.18) | **<0.001** | 4.35 (2.10, 9.01) | **<0.001** | 3.32 (2.63, 4.19) | **<0.001** |
| 12-23 | 2.22 (1.86, 2.65) | **<0.001** | 5.24 (2.51, 10.95) | **<0.001** | 3.36 (2.67, 4.22) | **<0.001** |
| 24-35 | 1.45 (1.22, 1.73) | **<0.001** | 1.59 (0.71, 3.59) | 0.261 | 2.26 (1.76, 2.89) | **<0.001** |
| 36-47 | 1.17 (0.97, 1.42) | 0.108 | 2.11 (0.92, 4.82) | 0.077 | 1.52 (1.18, 1.95) | **0.001** |
| 48-59 | Ref. | - | Ref. | - | Ref. | - |
| Child’s sex | |  | |  | |  |
| Male | 1.05 (0.95, 1.16) | 0.351 | - | - | 1.04 (0.92, 1.19) | 0.526 |
| Female | Ref. | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Inadequate Supervision | |  | |  | |  |
| Yes | - | - | 1.37 (0.69, 2.73) | 0.368 | 1.18 (0.94, 1.48) | 0.148 |
| No | - | - | Ref. | - | Ref. | - |
| Underweight | |  | |  | |  |
| Yes | - | - | - | - | 1.44 (1.20, 1.73) | **<0.001** |
| No | - | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Stunned | |  | |  | |  |
| Yes | - | - | - | - | 0.93 (0.77, 1.10) | 0.385 |
| No | - | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Wasted | |  | |  | |  |
| Yes | - | - | 1.61 (0.92, 2.84) | 0.097 | 0.89 (0.72, 1.10) | 0.294 |
| No | - | - | Ref. | - | Ref. | - |
| Overweight | |  | |  | |  |
| No | - | - | 3.46 (0.40, 29.65) | 0.310 | 1.43 (0.86, 2.38) | 0.165 |
| Yes | - | - | Ref. | - | Ref. | - |
| COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | |
| Place of residence | |  | |  | |  |
| Rural | 1.16 (0.65, 2.06) | 0.610 | 1.29 (0.75, 2.23) | 0.363 | - | - |
| Urban | 1.46 (0.81, 2.62) | 0.206 | Ref. | - | - | - |
| Tribal | Ref. | - | - | - | - |  |
| Division | |  | |  | |  |
| Barishal | 1.27 (0.99, 1.63) | 0.063 | 0.67 (0.27, 1.63) | 0.375 | 2.51 (1.74, 3.63) | **<0.001** |
| Chattogram | 1.09 (0.87, 1.36) | 0.439 | 1.01 (0.47, 2.20) | 0.973 | 1.33 (0.94, 1.90) | 0.112 |
| Dhaka | 0.96 (0.78, 1.19) | 0.724 | 1.01 (0.46, 2.16) | 0.999 | 0.91 (0.64, 1.30) | 0.597 |
| Khulna | 0.65 (0.50, 0.85) | **0.002** | 0.93 (0.41, 2.13) | 0.862 | 1.05 (0.72, 1.53) | 0.814 |
| Mymensingh | - | - | - | - | 1.22 (0.84, 1.79) | 0.296 |
| Rajshahi | 1.04 (0.83, 1.28) | 0.754 | 0.90 (0.36, 2.22) | 0.811 | 0.93 (0.64, 1.35) | 0.702 |
| Rangpur | - | - | 1.42 (0.63, 3.17) | 0.397 | 0.59 (0.40, 0.88) | **0.010** |
| Sylhet | Ref. | - | Ref. | - | Ref. | - |
| PARENTAL CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | |
| Mother’s Education | |  | |  | |  |
| Non-standard curriculum | 2.58 (1.21, 5.51) | 0.015 | - | - | - | - |
| Primary incomplete | 1.29 (0.98, 1.69) | 0.064 | - | - | 1.21 (0.91, 1.61) | 0.188 |
| Primary complete | 1.19 (0.87, 1.63) | 0.266 | - | - | 1.08 (0.86, 1.36) | 0.518 |
| Secondary incomplete | 1.11 (0.86, 1.44) | 0.421 | - | - | 1.09 (0.88, 1.34) | 0.426 |
| Secondary complete or higher | Ref. | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Mother’s Age at the Survey Time | |  | |  | |  |
| 15-19 | - | - | 1.57 (0.69, 3.57) | 0.280 | - | - |
| 20-34 | - | - | 1.46 (0.77, 2.74) | 0.243 | - | - |
| 35+ | - | - | Ref | - | - | - |
| HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | |
| Wealth Index | |  | |  | |  |
| Poorest | 1.30 (1.01, 1.65) | **0.038** | - | - | 1.14 (0.90, 1.44) | 0.277 |
| Second | 1.13 (0.89, 1.44) | 0.325 | - | - | 1.32 (1.04, 1.66) | **0.020** |
| Middle | 1.12 (0.89, 1.41) | 0.331 | - | - | 0.95 (0.75, 1.20) | 0.667 |
| Fourth | 0.90 (0.71, 1.14) | 0.373 | - | - | 1.03 (0.81, 1.32) | 0.791 |
| Richest | Ref. | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Religion | |  | |  | |  |
| Islam | 1.05 (0.82, 1.35) | 0.684 | - | - | 1.39 (1.02, 1.88) | **0.036** |
| Others | Ref. | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Household Head Sex | |  | |  | |  |
| Male | - | - | - | - | 1.20 (0.92, 1.55) | 0.174 |
| Female | - | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Ethnicity | |  | |  | |  |
| Bengali | 1.27 (0.76, 2.13) | 0.684 | - | - | 0.59 (0.34, 1.01) | 0.056 |
| Other | Ref. | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Toilet facilities shared | |  | |  | |  |
| Yes | 1.07 (0.96, 1.20) | 0.210 | 0.60 (0.36, 0.99) | **0.047** | 1.23 (1.07, 1.42) | **0.004** |
| No | Ref. | - | Ref | - | Ref. | - |
| Toilet facility type | |  | |  | |  |
| Non-improved | 1.23 (1.08, 1.40) | 0.002 | - | - | 1.49 (1.08, 2.05) | **0.015** |
| Improved | Ref. | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Salt Iodization | |  | |  | |  |
| No | 1.13 (0.98, 1.30) | 0.103 | - | - | 1.15 (0.99, 1.34) | 0.065 |
| Yes | Ref. | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Mass Media | |  | |  | |  |
| No | - | - | - | - | 0.99 (0.87, 1.14) | 0.920 |
| Yes | - | - | - | - | Ref. | - |
| Household size | |  | |  | |  |
| 5/5+ | - | - | 1.13 (0.72, 1.77) | 0.595 | 0.91 (0.79, 1.04) | 0.171 |
| <5 | - | - | Ref. | - | Ref. | - |
| Livestock ownership | |  | |  | |  |
| Yes | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| No | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Source water type | |  | |  | |  |
| Improved | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Unimproved | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Source of water | |  | |  | |  |
| Direct from source | - | - | 1.28 (0.53, 3.08) | 0.580 | - | - |
| Covered container | - | - | 1.37 (0.83, 2.27) | 0.218 | - | - |
| Uncovered container | - | - | Ref. | - | - | - |
| Water treatment | |  | |  | |  |
| Yes | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| No | - | - | - | - | - | - |

AOR: Adjusted odds ratio

**Table 3: Area under ROC Curve, AIC, and BIC for the final logistic regression model.**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Survey Year | The area under ROC Curve | | AIC | BIC |
| AUC | P-value |
| MICS 2006 | 0.6210 | <0.001 | 14320.83 | 14545.55 |
| MICS 2012 | 0.6826 | <0.001 | 1167.66 | 1295.21 |
| MICS 2019 | 0.6717 | <0.001 | 9610.21 | 9870.85 |