

**Report on Focus Group Discussion (FGD) held at Charoi II and
Ramgailong Village on the 22nd and the 23rd August 2009 under Noney
PHC, Tamenglong District.**

Focus Group Discussion was used as a tool for BCC/IEC survey at two villages ie., Charoi II and Ramgailong village on the 22nd and the 23rd of August 2009. The team members for these two villages were:

1. Abuana Gonmei (BPN) - Facilitator
2. Dinthaorei Gonmei (BAFC) - Recorder
3. Gongthaongam Kamei (BDM) - Documentor
4. Dr. Azin Maringmei (M.O. i/c) - Technical Staff
5. Sis. Mariam Gangmei (ANM) - Technical staff

Charoi II village on the 22nd of Aug.

Introduction: Charoi II village comes under Noney PHC. The issue chosen with the targeted group are given below:

Issue - Immunization

Reason _ Drop out rate high

Targeted group - 10 mothers whose children are under 5 yrs of age

The Facilitator welcomed the participants with a brief introduction of the team members. The participants were briefed on the purpose of FGD in BCC/IEC.

Analysis and Findings:

The Facilitator prepared 10 questions on immunization which were asked to the participants during the discussion. The mothers had to go to the Noney PHC to immunize their children or to avail any health facilities. Sometimes they had to go back without immunizing their children because vaccines were not available on the said date. They expressed their desire that the PHC should dispatch at least 1 (one) ANM to the village for immunization program. And in this way only, more children can be covered. They also expressed that the ASHA concerned should inform all the mothers about the date and day for immunization. Since children missed out the doses, there are cases of 7 or 8 children suffering from measles during the FGD program.

Health Talk on Immunization and the ideal time for giving the vaccines was given by Sis. Mariam Gangmei, ANM for about 30 minutes. She cleared all the doubts raised by the participants and the misconceptions. The FGD was successful.

The session ended with a few words from the facilitator and a light refreshment

was served to all the participants.

Participants:

1. Mrs. Premila
2. Mrs. Thanpui
3. Mrs. Asui
4. Mrs. Margaret
5. Mrs. Abonah
6. Mrs. Kariamlu
7. Mrs. Rebeccah
8. Mrs. Jinah
9. Mrs. Athuan
10. Mrs. Luxmi

Ramgailong Village on the 23rd August 2009

Introduction: Ramgailong Village comes under Awangkhol SC. The day being a Sunday, the number of participants is more than the targeted group.

Issue - Family Planning

Reason for choosing – percentage of acceptance is very low.

Target Group – 5 eligible couples = 10 nos.

The Facilitator welcomed the participants and introduced the team members. They were also briefed on NRHM and the purpose of FGD in BCC/IEC.

Analysis and Findings:

The Facilitator prepared 10 questions on Family Planning which were asked to the participants one after another and their responses were noted. The participants were found to encourage small size families but were not very much aware about the ideal time to start family planning. The participants feel shy to approach the doctors or nurses for family planning guidance. The women group has a negative view on using Cu-T because one particular woman became pregnant after two months in spite of using Cu-T.

Health talk on Family Planning and its advantages was given by Dr. Azin Maringmei, M.O. i/c of Noney PHC in detail. He cleared all the doubts and misconceptions raised by the participants. Topics on spacing methods, right age for marriage and permanent methods of family planning were explained along with the ideal time for using it.

One participant asked in detail on how to go for vasectomy and he expressed that he will mobilize other male members to go for it. The FGD program was successful with all the queries and questions being answered.

The session ended with a word of thanks from the facilitator and a light refreshment was served to all the participants present.

Participants:

1. Mr. Thanpulong
2. Mr. Meidinlung
3. Mr. Heamreilung
4. Mr. Meimulung
5. mr. Buankungam
6. Mrs. Thuanguangliu
7. Mrs. Diana
8. Mrs. Esther
9. Mrs. Marina

10. Mrs. Rita.

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