Chiranjeevi

Involving private obstetricians to reduce maternal mortality in Gujarat (India)

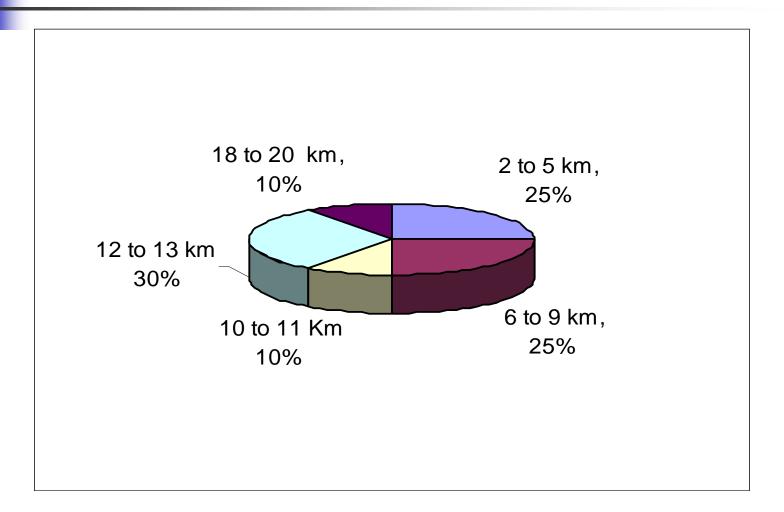
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Chiranjeevi – long life

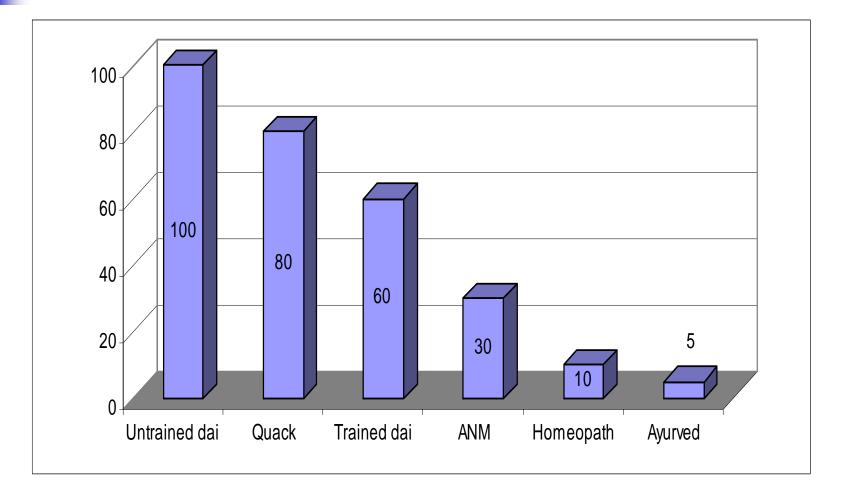
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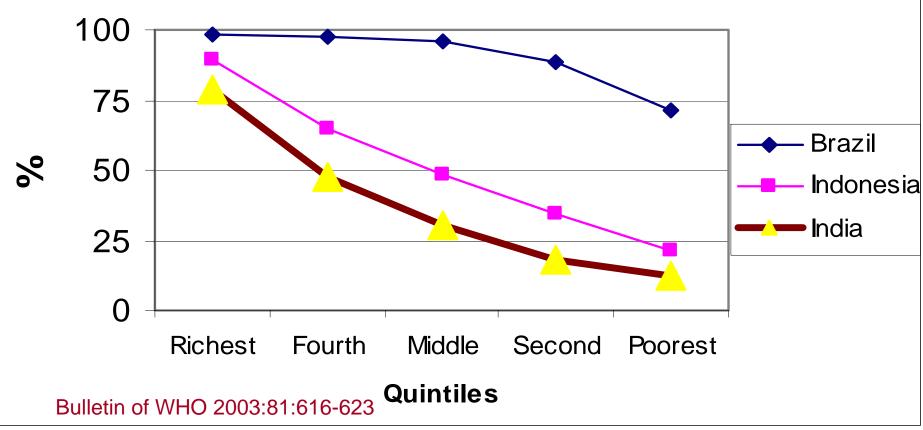
Distance from the nearest PHC



Health care facilities available



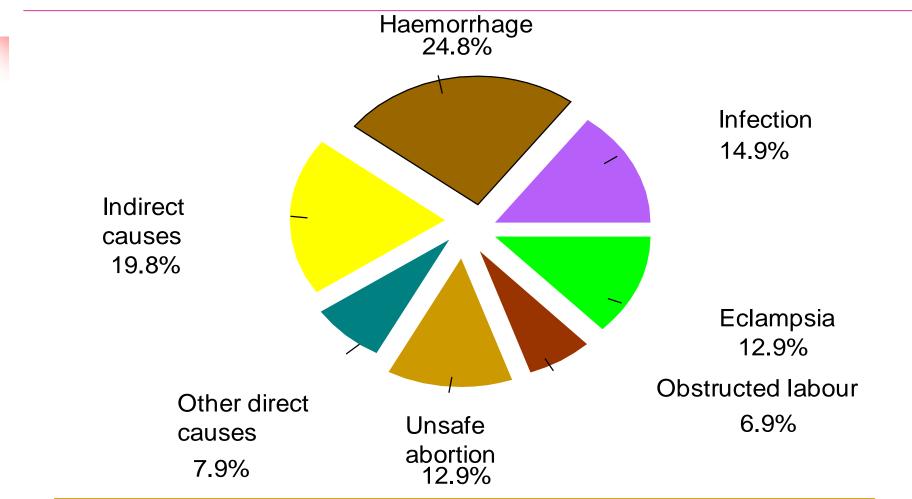
Inequitable service delivery: poor extremely disadvantaged Percent of deliveries attended by doctor, nurse or trained midwife



State of Maternal Health

- 5.29 lacs maternal deaths globally every year; 1.36 lacs (25.7%) in India; 5000 in the state of Gujarat
- Variations in MMR amongst states; Gujarat 389; Kerala 262; Tamil Nadu 282
- Socio-Economic Variation in MMR; Scheduled castes
 584; Scheduled tribes 652
- MMR worsened over time from 448 (NFHS 1) to 619 in (NFHS – 2)

Causes of Maternal Death



Lessons from successful safe delivery programs

- Once major obstetric complications develop even a trained TBA or a nurse cannot do much at home
- Need for a trained midwife backed up by an OBGY expert
- These complications require
 - surgical interventions
 - blood transfusion
 - aggressive treatments
 - Antibiotic use under supervision

Options

Improve Government Health Services

Competent staff

Adequate infrastructural facilities

User friendly, good quality Competitive Services Marketing of services

Public Private Partnership

Outsourcing- Curative services

Health Insurance

Motivation for Chiranjeevi

- High and stagnant MMR
- Experience with insurance companies
- Past experience with NPCB
- Focus on MDGs key issue raised by the Indian Planning Commission
- Availability of large number of OBGY experts in the state in the private sector

Partnership

- Government of Gujarat
- FOGSI
- NGOs
 - Chetna
 - Sewa Rural
 - Sewa Ahmedabad
- Academia technical inputs
 - GTZ
 - Indian Institute of Management Ahemdabad

Expectations - Goal

- Reducing maternal mortality (MMR) from 389 (in 1998) to 100 per 100,000 live births by 2010
 - Enhancing institutional deliveries through involvement of all available OBGY professionals in the state - PPP
 - Funding rather than provision
- Addressing neonatal mortality Reduce IMR from 60 to 30 by 2010

Focus on MDGs

Challenges

- Involving FOGSI Getting private OBGY professionals on board
- Fixing compensation for safe deliveries
- Ensuring prompt payments to the doctors
- Spreading awareness amongst the beneficiaries brand Chiranjeevi
- Monitoring and evaluation and constant improvement

Developing an evidence based scheme

- Clearly identifiable beneficiaries
- Addressing the three delays
 - Delay in deciding to seek care
 - Delay in reaching care
 - Delay in receiving care
- Fair compensation
- Reaching out to the providers as well as the beneficiaries
- Developing M&E Protocols
- Piloting the scheme

Compensating private partners - fixing Charges

	Cases	Unit cost	Total
Normal delivery	85	800	68000
Complicated cases			
Eclampsia		1000	
Forceps/vacuum/breech	3	1000	3000
Episiotomy		800	
Septicemia	2	3000	6000
Blood transfusion	3	1000	3000
Cesarean (7%)	7	5000	35000
Predelivery visit	100	100	10000
Investigation	100	50	5000
Sonography	30	150	4500
Dai	100	50	5000
Transport	100	200	20000
Total (US \$ 4,000)			179500



Outputs from Chiranjeevi in 5 Pilot Districts

	District		Na	ature of Deliverie	es	
	District	Normal	LSCS	Complicated	Total	% LSCS
	ВК	7149	491	580	8220	6.0
	Dahod	7965	423	2258	10646	4.0
	Kutch	4374	269	1377	6020	4.5
	P'mahal	13689	459	231	14379	3.2
	SK	6454	756	109	7319	10.3
1	Total	39631	2398	4555	46584	5.1

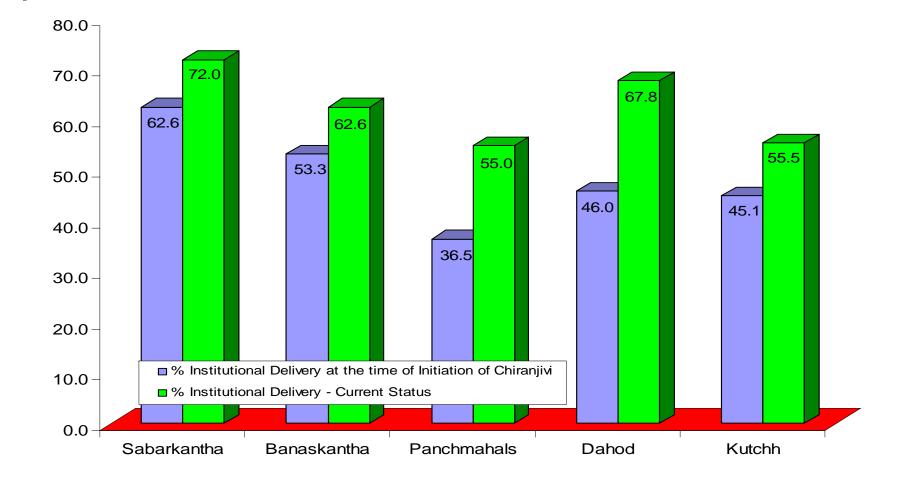
OBGY involvement in Chiranjeevi

District	Total OBGY experts available	# enlisted under Chiraneevi scheme	Total deliveries Performed	Average deliveries per doctor	Average Payment per Doctor Rs in Million
BK	50	61	8220	135	0.24
Dahod	18	16	10646	665	1.19**
Kutch	47	18	6020	334	0.60
P'mahal	29	30	14379	479	0.86
SK	73	45	7319	163	0.29
Total	217	170	46584	274	0.49*

* US \$ 11,500

** > US \$ 25,000

Effect on institutional deliveries



Chiranjeevi performance for the state

Normal Deliveries C sections Complicated Deliveries Total Delivery C - sections Percentage OBGY experts enrolled Maternal Deaths Reported Neo natal deaths reported 52786 3729 4927 61442 5.9% 762 / 1800 13 (> 360) 329 (> 2400)



- BPL in 5 pilot districts \$ 2.5
- All BPL Gujarat \$12.8
- All BPL in India \$238

Lessons

- Country wide problem country wide effort
- Evidence based
- Keeping it simple
- Trust the private partners, they want to contribute
- Advance payment; prompt payment of dues
- No incentives for caesarian deliveries
- Responsibility for complications deaths
- Monitoring quality and feedback to OBGYs & CDHOs rewarding contribution of OBGY partners

Lessons (Continued)

- Demand generation? Coverage of non BPL card holders
- Protocols for management of normal labor and obstetric complications
- Availability of blood???
- Under utilisation of Public facilities need for Incentives
- Opportunity to link FP, HIV AIDs, Cervix cancer screening
- Care of neonates?
- Political commitment the key
- It works boon to the poor

Additional Incentives for Government Institutional Deliveries

Category	Normal	BEMOC	CoEmOC
RKS	75	175	250
Doctors	100	200	500
Staff Nurse	50	75	150
Class IV	25	50	100
Total	250	500	1000
Conditions:			

 At PHC minmum delivery per month 30. Incentives will given from 31 st delivery
At CHC/Subdistrict Hospital minimum deliveries 50, Incentives will be given from 51st delivery

Future of the partnership

- Extending to entire state .25 million deliveries
- Involvement of NGOs in ensuring:
 - Enhanced awareness
 - Availability of quality services at agreed rates
- Provision of other services
- Regular monitoring and evaluation
- Extending to APL through cost sharing
- Extending PPP to other disease control programmes

Accolades

UNFPA Evaluation

'Chiranjeevi is indeed an innovation in the area of Public-Private Participation leading to increased access to poor for safe delivery services. Given adequate support and guidance, this programme can become a forerunner for many other interventions in NRHM. States looking for models for successful PPP mechanisms will be immensely benefited with dissemination of the experiences gained from this scheme.'

- Asian innovation award, by the Wall Street Journal at Singapore
- Nominated for the IBM Innovations Award in Transforming Government, a special award sponsored by IBM and administered by the Ash Institute at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government

Let us join hands to save our mothers and children.

We make a living by what we get;

we make a life by what we give!



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