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ABSTRACT

A total of 949 blood specimen from patients suspected of enteric fever were included in this study. Among them 66 (6.95 percent) blood specimen were culture positive. The incidence of S. Typhi and S. Paratyphi A among total suspected enteric fever patient was 3.2% (30) and 3.8% (36) respectively. The incidence of culture positive case was highest among the age group of 10-20 years (12.4%). Among 66 culture positive cases, the incidence rate was more in male patient (8.9%) than female patient (4.7%). The culture positive rate was found maximum from out patients (7.5%) than inpatients (5.4%). The incidence of Nalidixic acid resistant Salmonella isolates among outpatient and inpatient was 7.2% and 4.6% respectively. The incidence of Nalidixic acid resistant S.Typhi and S. Paratyphi A among total population was 2.7% and 3.8% respectively. The incidence of Nalidixic acid resistant Salmonella isolates among male and female was 8.1% and 4.7% respectively. Among 66 isolates, 30 (45.5%) were Salmonella Typhi and 36 (54.5%) were Salmonella Paratyphi A.

The most sensitive antibiotics for *Salmonella* Typhi were found to be ciprofloxacin and ceftriaxone. Similarly the most sensitive antibiotics for *Salmonella* Paratyphi A were found to be ciprofloxacin, ceftriaxone, cotrimoxazole and chloramphenicol.

Among 62 Nalidixic acid resistant isolates 26(41.94%) were *Salmonella* Typhi and 36 (58.1%) were *Salmonella* Paratyphi A. In contrast, among 4 Nalidixic acid susceptible isolates all 4 (100%) were *Salmonella* Typhi and non were *Salmonella* Paratyphi A.

In this study, none of the nalidixic acid resistance isolates were found Ciprofloxacin resistance.

Key words: Enteric fever, Salmonella, Nalidixic acid resistance

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ABBREVIATIONS

CFU	:	Colony Forming Unit
DNA	:	Deoxyribonucleic Acid
FQs	:	Fluoroquinolones
MDR	:	Multi-Drug Resistant
MDRST	:	Multi-Drug Resistant S. Typhi
MHA	:	Mueller Hinton Agar
MHB	:	Mueller Hinton Broth
MIC	:	Minimum Inhibitory Concentration
NA	:	Nalidixic Acid
NAR	:	Nalidixic Acid Resistant
NAS	:	Nalidixic Acid Sensitive
NARST	:	Nalidixic Acid Resistant S. Typhi
PCR	:	Polymerase Chain Reaction
SIM	:	Sulphur, Indole, Motility medium
TSI	:	Triple Iron Sugar
WHO	:	World Health Organization