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## ABSTRACT

The study was a descriptive cross sectional study conducted in Nepal Red Cross Society Blood transfusion service and AMDA hospital situated in Damak, Jhapa over a period of five month from July 2008 to November 2008 with the objective to find the HIV seroprevalence among the blood donors and pregnant/delivery women.

A total of 2005 sera samples, 795 of the blood donors and 1210 delivery case were tested for HIV antibodies using the EIA based rapid test kits HIV TRI-DOT, Determine HIV 1/2 and Capillus HIV 1/2.

The overall seroprevalence of anti HIV antibodies was observed to be 0.10% i.e. (2/2005). Higher seroprevalence was observed among the blood donors 0.13% (1/795) with 100% seropositivity in male donors than among the delivery cases 0.08% (1/1210) ( $P>0.05$ ). Interestingly in both cases prevalence was found only in the age group 21-30 years which is considered as sexually active age with overall seroprevalence of 0.17% ( $P>0.05$ ). This is in contrast with all the other findings around the world.

Though current study does not show any sign of alarming condition of HIV infection it indicates the silent presence of HIV among the general low risk group people of the society.

**Key words:** HIV, Seroprevalence, Blood donors, delivery cases

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AIDS:	Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome
AMDA:	Association of Medical Doctors of Asia
ART:	Antiretroviral Therapy
CSW:	Commercial sex workers
CDC:	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
NRCS,SCD:	Nepal Red Cross Society Sub Chapter Damak
ELISA:	Enzyme linked Immunosorbent Assay
EIA:	Enzyme Immunoassay
FSW:	Female Sex Workers
FHI:	Family Health International
UNAIDS:	United Nation Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome
HIV-1:	Human Immuno Deficiency Virus type-1
HIV-2:	Human Immuno Deficiency Virustype-2
HTLV:	Human T-cell Lymphotropic Virus
HAART:	Highly active antiretroviral therapy
IBBS:	Integrated Bio-Behavioral Surveillance Study
IDUs:	Intravenous Drug Users
LAV:	Lymphadenopathy-associated virus
MSM:	Men having Sex with men
MTCT:	Mother to Child Transmission
NCASC:	National Center for AIDS and STD control
PCR:	Polymerase Chain Reaction
RT:	Reverse Transcriptase
RNA:	Ribo nucliec Acid
SPARSHA:	Society for Atmosphere and Related Support to HIV and AIDS
STD:	Sexually Transmitted Disease
UNAIDS:	United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
WHO:	World Health Organization

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