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A STUDY TO ASSESS THE KNOWLEDGE, PRACTICE AND ATTITUDE ON TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS AMONG PRIMI AND MULTI MOTHERS IN SELECTED AREAS IN COIMBATORE

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ABSTRACT

A quantitative approach, quasi experimental one group pre test post test design aimed to assess the knowledge ,practice and attitude on Temporary and Permanent contraceptive methods among primi and multi mother in Alandurai and Rathinapuri areas in Coimbatore,150 primi and 150 multi mother were selected by non probability convenient sampling technique was used to assess the knowledge, practice and Attitude by structure questionnaire and reassess the know ledge ,practice and attitude. There was a significant association between pre test level of KPA and demographic variables such as age ,occupation, duration of marriage, nature of contraception, education .Results showed poor contraceptive knowledge among mothers. Various contraceptives methods of knowledge should be provided to all the mothers.

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INTRODUCTION

"Delay the first, postpone the second and prevent the third."

Tamilnadu Government: India was the first country in the world to formulate the national family planning programme in the year 1952 with the objective of reducing the birth rate of extent necessary to stabilize the population at a level consistent with requirement of national economy". One of the main objectives of the programme is to space the knowledge of family planning methods and develop among the people an attitude favourable for adoption of contraceptive methods. The progress achieved in this sphere is normally assessed form the result of Knowledge, Attitude and Practice survey. Despite the fact that contraception usage has increased over a period of time, there exist a Knowledge Attitude and Practice – gap. That is a gap between Knowledge Attitude and Practice regarding contraception. In developing country like India, over population is a major concern. Despite progress resulting from making contraception widely available, there is poor acceptance of contraception. Methods either due to ignorance or fear of complications using them.

Inadequate Knowledge Attitude and Practice about contraception method and incomplete or enormous information about their use or where to procure them are the main reason for not accepting formula planning. Keeping all the facts in view this stand was carried and to assess the Knowledge Attitude and Practice of contraceptive methods among prime and Multi mothers in Coimbatore. Family planning is defined by WHO as " a way of thinking and lining that is adapted voluntarily, upon the basis of knowledge, Attitudes and responsible decisions by individuals and couples, in order to promote the health and welfare of family group and this contribute effectively to the social development of a country".

Objectives

- To assess the knowledge, attitude and practice of Temporary, permanent contraceptive methods among primi, and multi mothers.
- To deliver the Structured Teaching Programme on Temporary and permanent contraceptive methods among primi and multi mothers.

- To evaluate the effectiveness of Structure Teaching Programme on Temporary and permanent contraceptive methods among primi and multi mothers.
- To correlate the relationship between knowledge, Practice and attitude of Temporary contraceptive methods among primi and multi mothers.
- To find out significant association between knowledge, Practice and attitude with selected demographic variables.

Delimitation

The study is delimited to

- Mothers who are in selected two areas of Coimbatore- Alandurai, and Rathinapuri.
- Mothers who had inadequate knowledge of permanent and temporary contraception among primi and multi mothers in terms of knowledge awareness and utilization.
- Who are in primi and multi mothers during home home visit.
- Sample size is primi mother =150; multi mother =150.

Projected Outcome

This study will give a clear understanding of the knowledge attitude and practice of temporary and permanent contraceptive method. The instruction module associated with temporary and permanent contraception methods will be effective improving the knowledge attitude and practice among mothers. The outcome of the study will be helpful to educate the mother regarding temporary and permanent contraceptive methods there by improve the maternal and child health.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Research Design selected for the present study was quasi experimental one group pre test post test design. In the present study a pre test was administered by means of questionnaire method depicted as 01, and then structured teaching programme was delivered depicted as X. and post test was conducted by using the same questionnaire depicted as 02.

01	x	02
Assessing the pre test level of knowledge attitude and practice of mothers regarding contraceptive methods.	Teaching module	Assessing the post test level of knowledge attitude and practice of mothers regarding contraceptive methods.

The investigator had chosen the survey research design which comes under the quasi experimental research design to assess the knowledge, practice and attitude of temporary and permanent contraceptive methods among primi and multi mothers in Coimbatore area.

Setting of the study The study was conducted while home visit among primi and Multi mother in selected areas at coimbatore.

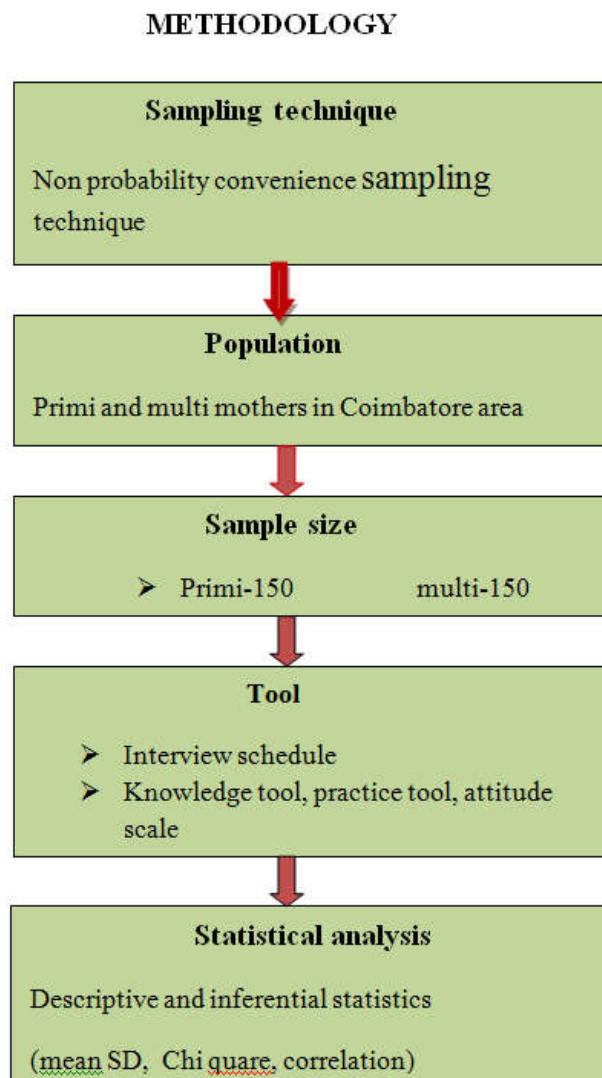
Variables

Independent variables: Structured teaching programme on contraceptive methods.

The dependent variable: knowledge attitude and practice of mothers regarding contraceptive methods.

The influence variables: demographic variables.

METHODOLOGY



Schematic representation of relationship of variables

Influence variable	Dependent variables	Independent variables
- Sample No.	Knowledge attitude and Practice regarding contraceptive method	structured teaching programme on contraceptive methods
- Age		
- Educational Status		
- Type of family		
- Occupation station		
- Family income		
- Source of information regarding Contraceptive methods.		

Population: The population of the study includes the primi and multi mother.

Sample size: The Sample size included for the study consist of primi-150,multi-150 mother.

Sampling Technique: Non- Probability convenient sampling technique will use to select the sample.

Criteria for selection of the sample

Inclusive criteria

- Mother between age 21-40 years
- Mother who were residing in Coimbatore area
- Both primi and multi mother
- Who were willing to participate
- Who know to spoke Tamil and English freely
- Who were attending educational programe in home.

Exclusion criteria

- Above the age 40 years
- Who are not willing to participate
- Any reproductive problems.

Description of Tools

The researchers have developed an interview schedule after reviewing the literature and considering the opinion of medical and Nursing subject experts, to measure the knowledge ,practice and Attitude regarding on Temporary and permanent contraceptive Methods.

Part A: Distribution of Demographic Variables

It includes the sample number, age of the samples, educational status, type of family, occupational status of the Mother, family income, and sources of information regarding temporary contraceptive methods.

Part B: Questions Regarding knowledge

It consist of questions related to assessment of the knowledge of Primi and multi Mothers regarding temporary and permanent contraceptive Methods.

Interpretation of the Questionnaire: Each question had one correct answer and was given score of one mark, for wrong answer a score of Zero was given.

Part C: Questions Regarding Practice

It consists of questions related to assessment of practice of Primi and multi Mother regarding temporary and permanent contraceptive methods.

Interpretation of the Questionnaire: One mark, was given for 'yes' answer and zero mark for 'No' answer.

Part D: Question regarding Attitude

It consists of questions related to assessment of Attitude of Primi and multi Mother regarding temporary and permanent contraceptive methods

Content validity: The interview Schedule was given to five experts specialized in obstetrics and Gynecology the researcher met the expert for clarifications in various aspects of the research tool. Some Modifications were made according to the expert suggestions.

Reliability on the instrument: The main objective of the pilot study was to ensure the reliability of the interview Schedule, was found out by spearman brown split-half technique.

Table 1. Showing reliability for Temporary Contraceptive Method interview Schedule

Item	Split half reliability
Temporary Contraceptive method interview Schedule	0.9
Permanent Contraceptive method interview Schedule	0.9

The reliability of the tool was satisfactory

Pilot Study: The Pilot study was conducted to test the reliability content validity and practicability of the tool. Pilot study was conducted for 7 days. The area selected were at Kovilpalayam and Kurumbapaayam area in Coimbatore. 15primimothers and 15 multi mothers were selected during the pilot study. The knowledge, practice and attitude regarding temporary and permanent contraceptives methods were assessed with the prepared questionnaires. The education module was prepared to enhance the knowledge, practice and attitude regarding temporary and permanent contraceptives methods. Health education was given with the help of flashcards, booklet, pamphlets and samples of contraceptives were distributed. The results of the pilot study showed that there was positive correlation between knowledge, practice and attitude with demographic variables.

Procedure for data collection: Prior permission was obtained from the mothers by submitting an application giving assurance to abide by the rules and regulations. The study was done for a period of 4 weeks. The investigator identified the Mother that fulfilled the inclusion criteria. The mothers were explained about the purpose of the study in a manner and informed consent was taken. Necessary precautions were taken to provide privacy and confidentiality. In pre-test the knowledge and practice of mothers regarding temporary and permanent contraceptive methods was assessed following pre test by using the same questionnaire. On the same day structured teaching module was educated by demonstration flashcards and pamphlets. Post test was conducted on the 5th day by using the same questionnaire to find out the effectiveness.

Plan for data Analysis

Data was planned to be analyzed by using descriptive and inferential statistics.

Descriptive statistics were used to analyzed the frequency, percentage, mean standard deviation of the following variables.

- Demographic variable of primi mother
- Knowledge regarding temporary and permanent contraceptive methods.
- Practice regarding temporary and permanent contraceptive methods.
- Attitude regarding temporary and permanent contraceptive methods.
- Inferential statistics were used to determine the relationship and comparison to identify the difference.
- 't' test was used to compare the knowledge,practice and attitude regarding temporary and permanent contraceptive Method.
- Chi square 't' test was computed to find out the association between knowledge, practice and attitude with selected demographic variables.

Demographic characteristics of the study population

The knowledge about one or more methods of contraception, particularly modern contraceptive methods was 95.0%. The knowledge about traditional methods of contraception was 72.0% and 46.4% devices.

Table 2. Knowledge on contraceptive methods

Contraceptive methods	Number :150	Percentage
TEMPORARY CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS		
PRIMI=150	125	83 %
Oral pill	15	10
IUCD	5	3.3 %
Injection	-	-
Female condom	2	1.3 %
Diaphragm	-	-
Emergency contraception	-	-
Norplant	3	2 %
Traditional methods		
PERMANENT CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS: multi :150	130	86.6 %
Laproscopy	20	13.3 %
Mini lap	-	-

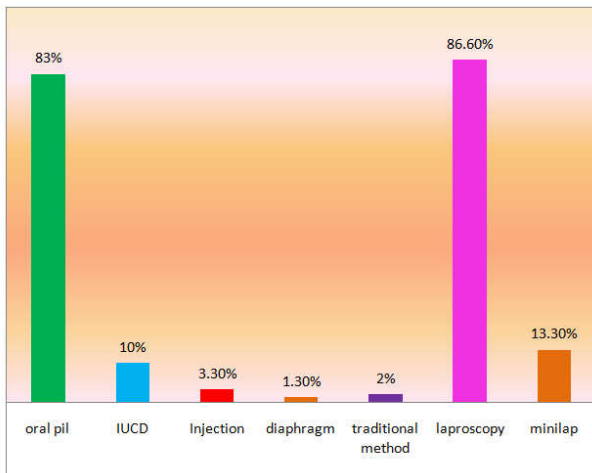


Figure 1. Knowledge on contraceptive methods

Most common source of knowledge for mother in general was the usage of orall pill (83.0%), IUCD (22.56%). Injection (7.5% and 4.5 % as traditional methods respectively Of 150 interviewed couples. Completion of family was found to be the most common reason for using contraception (81.1%) and fertility related reasons (45.1%) followed by husband's opposition (28.4%) were the common reasons for not using contraception.

Table 3. Practices of Contraception

Contraceptive methods	Number :150	Percentage
TEMPORARY METHODS		
Oral pill	85	56.6 %
IUD	15	10 %
Female condom	-	-
Spacing	-	-
Fear of side effect	20	13.3 %
Lack of knowledge	30	20 %
PERMANENT METHODS :		
Laproscopy	130	86.6 %
Minilap	20	13.3 %

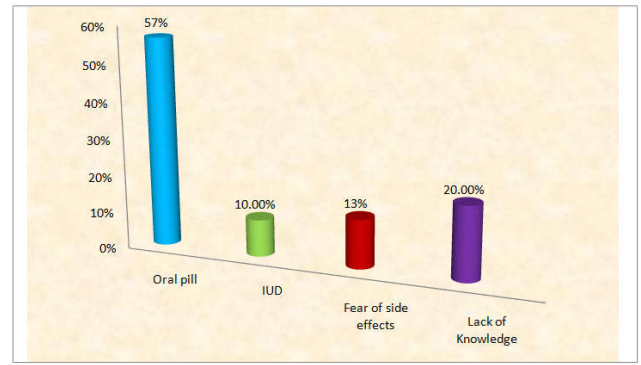


Figure 2. Practices of Contraception

Table 4. Attitude towards contraception

Attitude of contraception	Temporary methods Total :150	Permanent methods Total :150
Approval	95 (63.3 %)	100 (66.6 %)
Disapproval	55 (36.6 %)	50 (33.3 %)

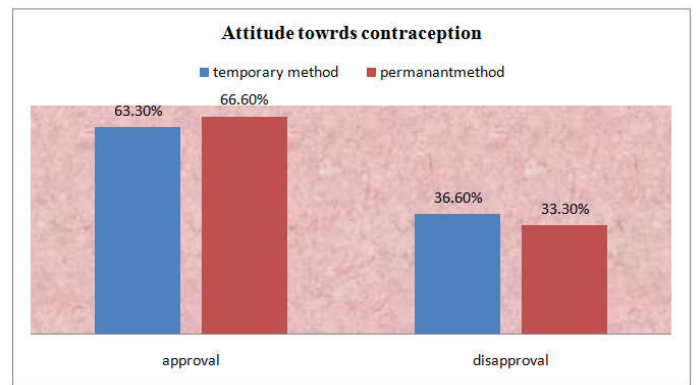


Figure 3. Attitude towards contraception

Attitude of temporary contraceptive methods approval rate was 95 (63.3 %), disapproval rate was 55 (36.6). and permanent contraceptive methods approval rate was 100 (66.6 %), disapproval rate was 50 (33.3%).

DISCUSSION

The present study aimed to assess the knowledge, attitude and practice of family planning methods to enhance the contraceptive practice in the rural community in future. Results showed that the overall knowledge about any method of Temporary contraception was 98% and permanent methods was 63.3%. The findings are similar to practice and attitude of study. reveals good knowledge and favourable attitude of rural couples towards contraception. Contraceptive knowledge and practice was influenced by exposure to family planning messages and partner opposition. Women education and counseling can play an important role to adopt family planning methods. The mothers should be given information about contraceptives at every visit to the health services to motivate them. The most important factor is regular availability of contraceptives and adequate health care services at the peripheral level. Electronic media, health personnel and government's organizations can play a positive role to provide knowledge and overcome the knowledge, practice and attitude of Temporary and permanencontraceptive methods.

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