

## **Abstract of the Paper**

### **Health Problems during Pregnancy and Health Seeking Behaviour among Married Women in Uttar Pradesh**

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Improvement in the health and nutritional status of the population has been one of the major thrust areas for the social development programmers of the country. This was to be achieved through improving the access do and utilization of health, family welfare and nutrition services with special focus on under served and under privileged segments of the population. Childbirth is one of the important events affecting health of a woman, especially in developing countries likes India. According to National Family Health Survey-3 (2005-06) Antenatal care (ANC) coverage is the least in the state of Uttar Pradesh where only 42.9 per cent of women avail of any type of ANC services during pregnancy, indicating that for most of the women pregnancy complications are neither detected nor treated. This paper is based on the data collected by NFHS-3 and examines the pregnancy complications among married women in Uttar Pradesh and also analyzes the health seeking behaviour of these women.

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