



Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Government of India



### Comprehensive National Nutrition Survey

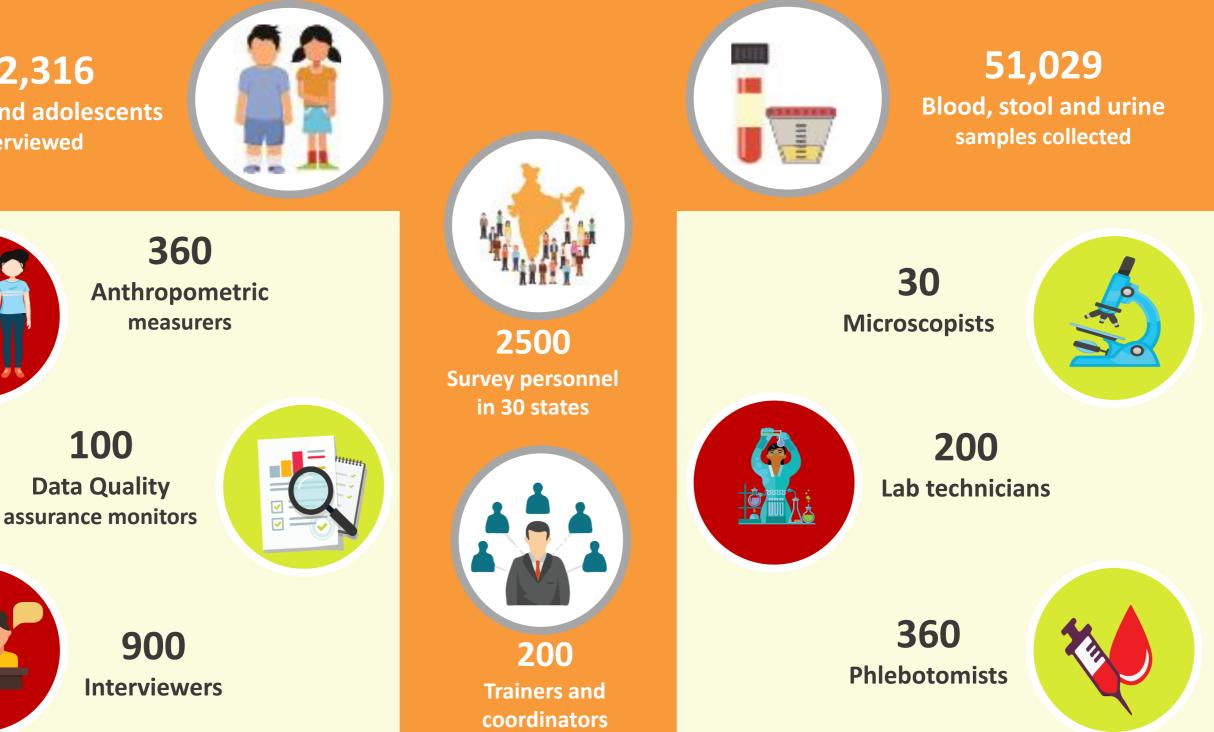
2016 - 2018

Goa State Presentation



### Largest Micronutrient Survey ever conducted:

112,316 **Children and adolescents** interviewed



### Justification and Objectives

- To assess the prevalence of malnutrition in both children and adolescents with special focus on assessment of micronutrient deficiencies through biochemical measures.
- To identify determinants and associations of various risk factors for anaemia in both children and adolescents.
- To assess biomarkers for hypertension, diabetes, cholesterol and kidney function and their associations with various risk factors for Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs).

### Malnutrition is responsible for 68% of total under five mortality in India\*



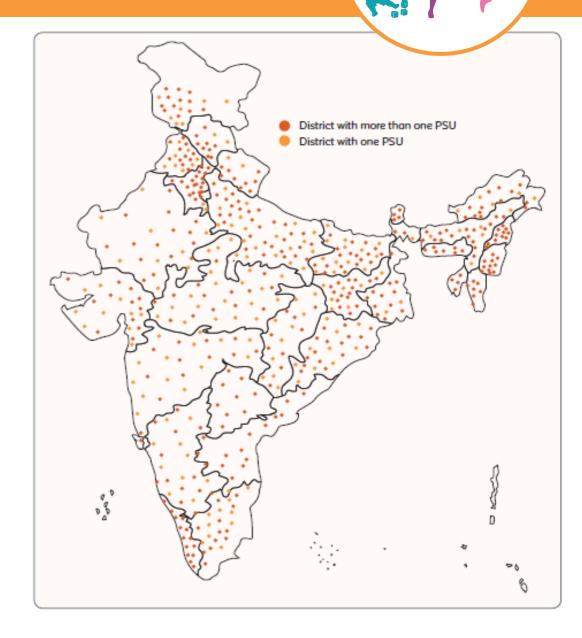
\*Soumya Swaminathan, et al. (2019), The burden of child and maternal malnutrition and trends in its indicators in the states of India: the Global Burden of Disease Study 1990–2017. https://doi.org/10.1016/S2352-4642(19)30273-1

## Survey Design

CNNS is a cross-sectional, household survey using a multi-stage sampling design.

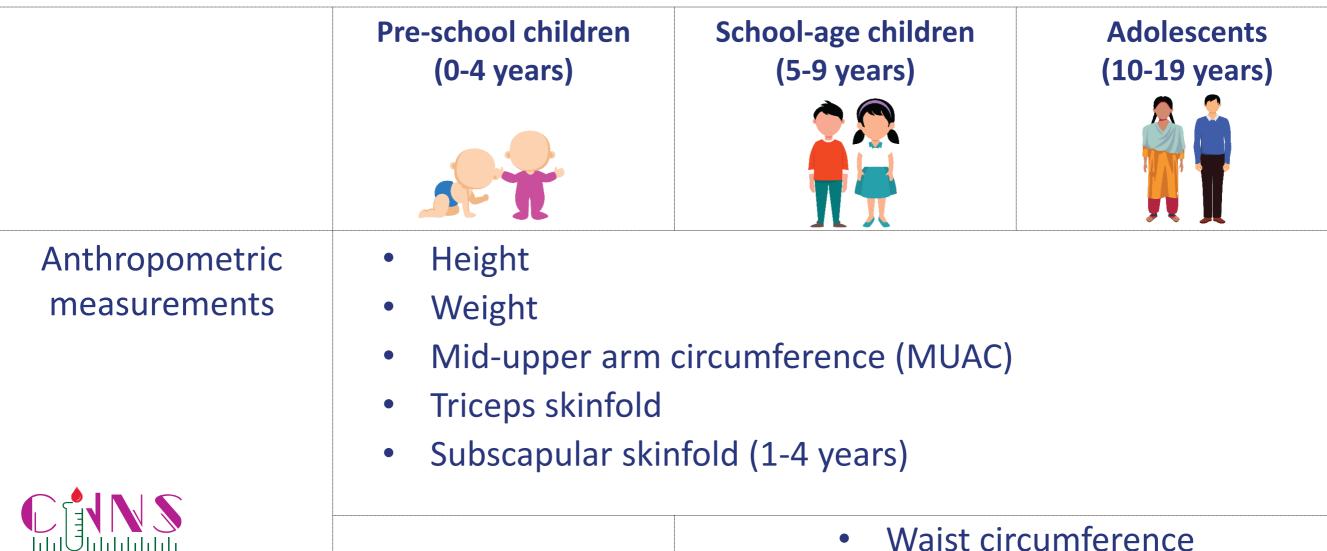
CNNS covered **2035 Primary Sampling Units (PSUs)** from more than **82%** of all districts from the Census 2011 (516 out of 628 districts) across 30 states:

- 160 Districts- one PSU
- 356 Districts- two or more PSUs





### Anthropometry data

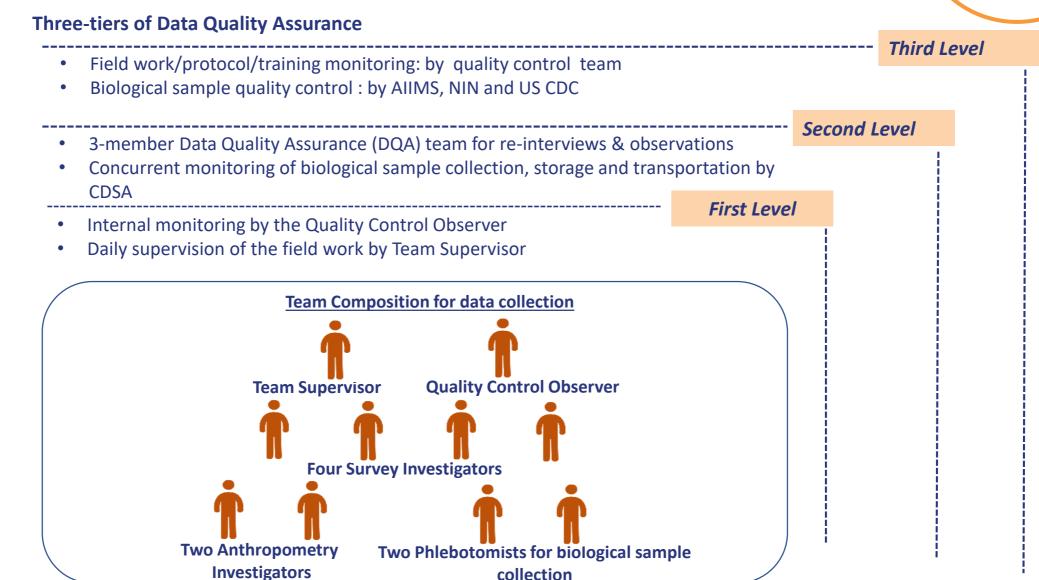


Birth to Adolescence

### Biochemical indicators - micronutrient deficiencies and NCDs

Indicator Group							
Anaemia and haemoglobinopathies	<ul><li>Haemoglobin</li><li>Variant haemoglobins</li></ul>						
Inflammatory biomarkers	C-reactive protein						
Protein	Serum protein and albumin						
Micronutrients	<ul> <li>Iron: Serum ferritin, serum transferrin receptor</li> <li>Vitamin A: Serum retinol</li> <li>Zinc: Serum zinc</li> <li>B-vitamins: Erythrocyte folate, serum B12</li> <li>Vitamin D: Serum 25 (OH) D</li> <li>Urinary Iodine</li> </ul>						
Non-communicable diseases		<ul> <li>Blood Pressure</li> <li>Blood glucose, HbA1c</li> <li>Lipid profile: Serum cholesterol, LDL, HDL, a</li> <li>Renal function: Serum creatinine, urinary pr</li> </ul>	• •				

### Monitoring and Supervision





### Quality Assurance Measures for Data Quality



**Evaluation of Interviewers** prior to employment

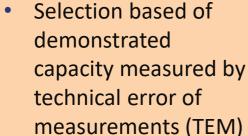
#### Survey team

- Written and oral test
- Mock interview
- Ethics test

#### Anthropometry team



Standardisation



#### **Quality Assurance Measures**



DQA team conducted consistency checks, and provided feedback on real time basis



No more than 4 interviews allowed in a day by an interviewer



Daily SMS based monitoring/ alerts system for biological sample (from PSUs, collection points and reference labs).



Sample transportation in thermal insulation bags maintaining temperature at 2-8° Celsius for up to 16 hours



Time and temperature monitoring of samples by digital data loggers

# Agencies engaged in the implementation of CNNS



Survey Implementation by MoHFW, Government of India and supported by UNICEF

Technical support: US Centre for Disease Control and UNICEF Regular review and technical guidance: Technical advisory group constituted by MoHFW

Quality assurance and external monitoring: AIIMS, PGIMER, NIN, KSCH and CDSA

Biological sample collection, transportation & analysis: SRL Limited Overall field coordination, training, quality monitoring, data management and analysis: Population Council

> Survey and anthropometric data collection: IIHMR, Kantar Public, Gfk Mode and Sigma Consulting

### Sample size in Goa



**CNNS covered 55 PSUs for data collection in Goa** 

Achieved following sample size by age groups:

	0-4 years	5-9 years	10-19 years	Total
Household and anthropometry data	1,036	1,063	1,021	3,120
Biological sample	339	398	393	1,130



### Period of data collection in Goa



CNNS data collection period: July 6, 2016 to September 13, 2016

- CNNS collected data during the rainy season of 2016
- NFHS collected data during the winter season and summer season of 2015

Survey	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
CNNS 2016							July to September, 2016					
NFHS 4 2015												



### Goa key findings: Anthropometry (1/2) No significant reduction in stunting, wasting and underweight in children under 5 years ■ NFHS CNNS 23.8% 21.9% 20.3% 20.1% 19.6% 15.8% Stunting (Low height for age) Wasting (Low weight for height) Underweight (Low weight for age)

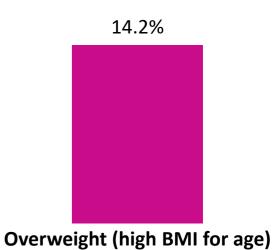
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# Goa key findings: Anthropometry (2/2)

Over **1/5** adolescents aged 10-19 years was thin for their age (BMI-Age <-2SD)

**1/7** children aged 5-9 years was stunted. The school age period does not provide an opportunity for catch up growth in height.

**14%** of adolescents aged 10-19 years were overweight or obese.



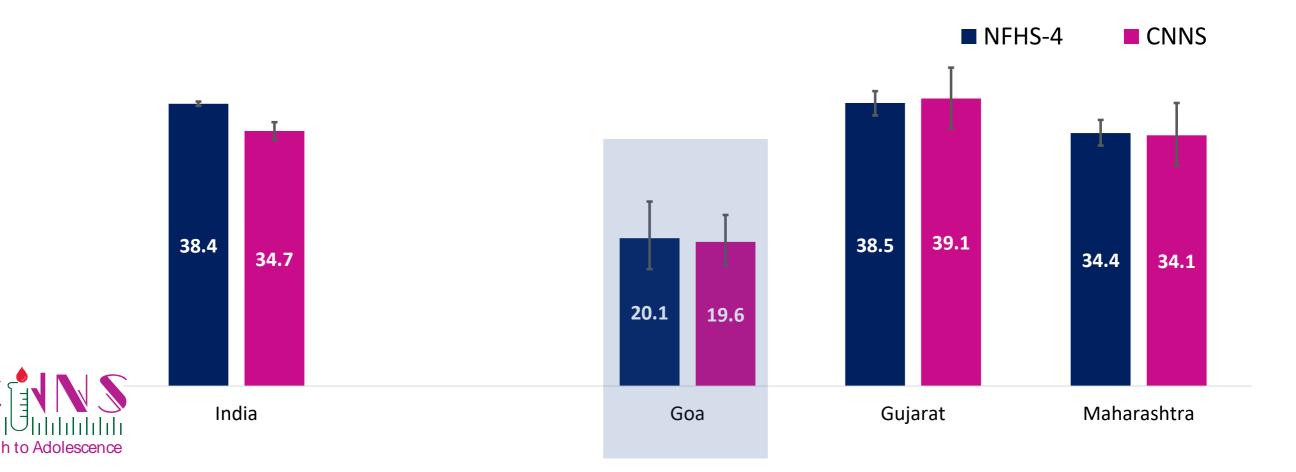




### Stunting unchanged among children under five

Prevalence of stunting in Goa was unchanged between CNNS and NFHS-4 – 20%

Prevalence of stunting remained unchanged in all western states



# Wasting among children under five unchanged

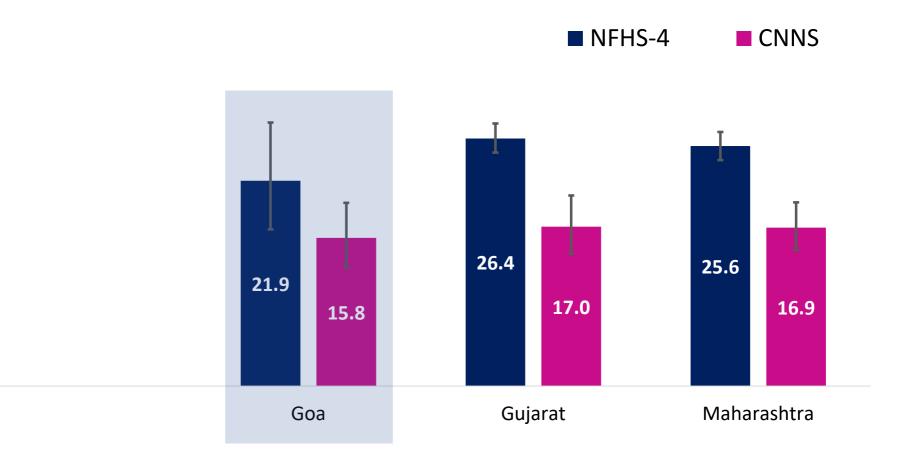
Prevalence of wasting did not decline significantly in Goa between NFHS-4 and CNNS – 22% vs 16%

Prevalence of wasting significantly declined in Gujarat and Maharashtra

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17.3

India



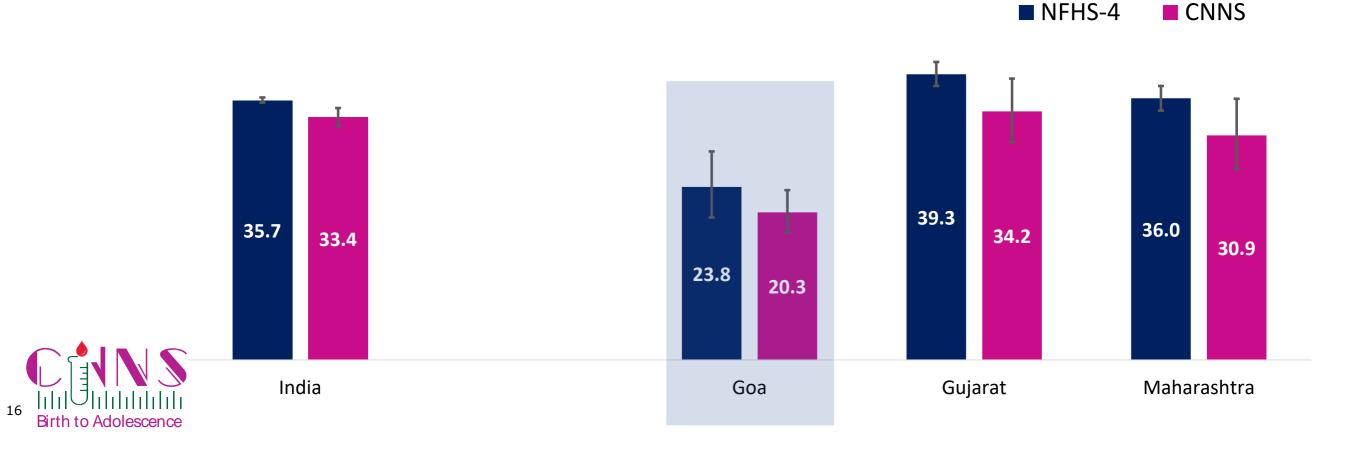
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## Prevalence of underweight among children under five unchanged

Underweight is a composite measure of chronic and acute malnutrition

The prevalence of underweight slightly declined between NFHS-4 and CNNS – 24% Vs 20%

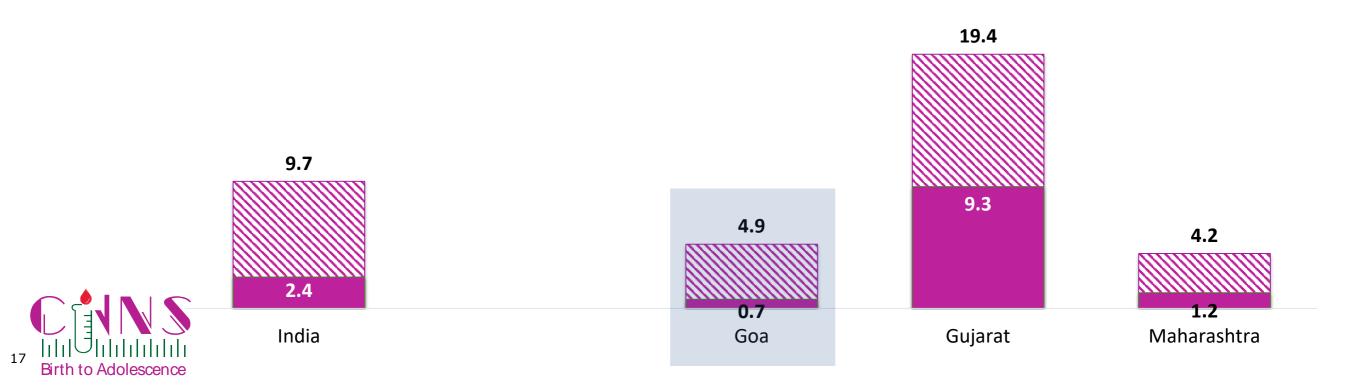
Prevalence did not significantly decline in any of the western states



### Triceps Skinfold Thickness (TSFT) for children under five

Low fat mass as reported by TSFT in Goa (5%) was much lower than Gujarat (19%) and half of the national average (10%)

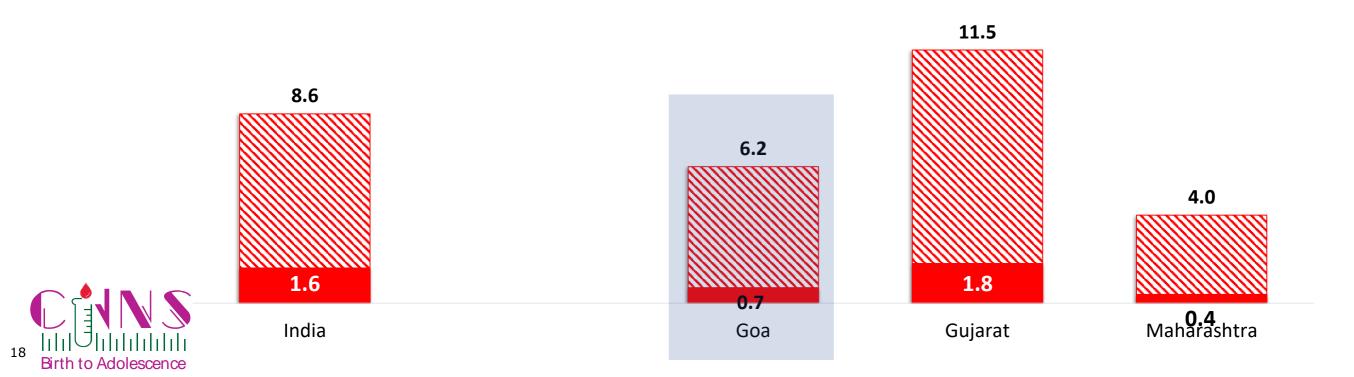
STSFT (-3SD to -2SD) ■ TSFT (< -3SD)

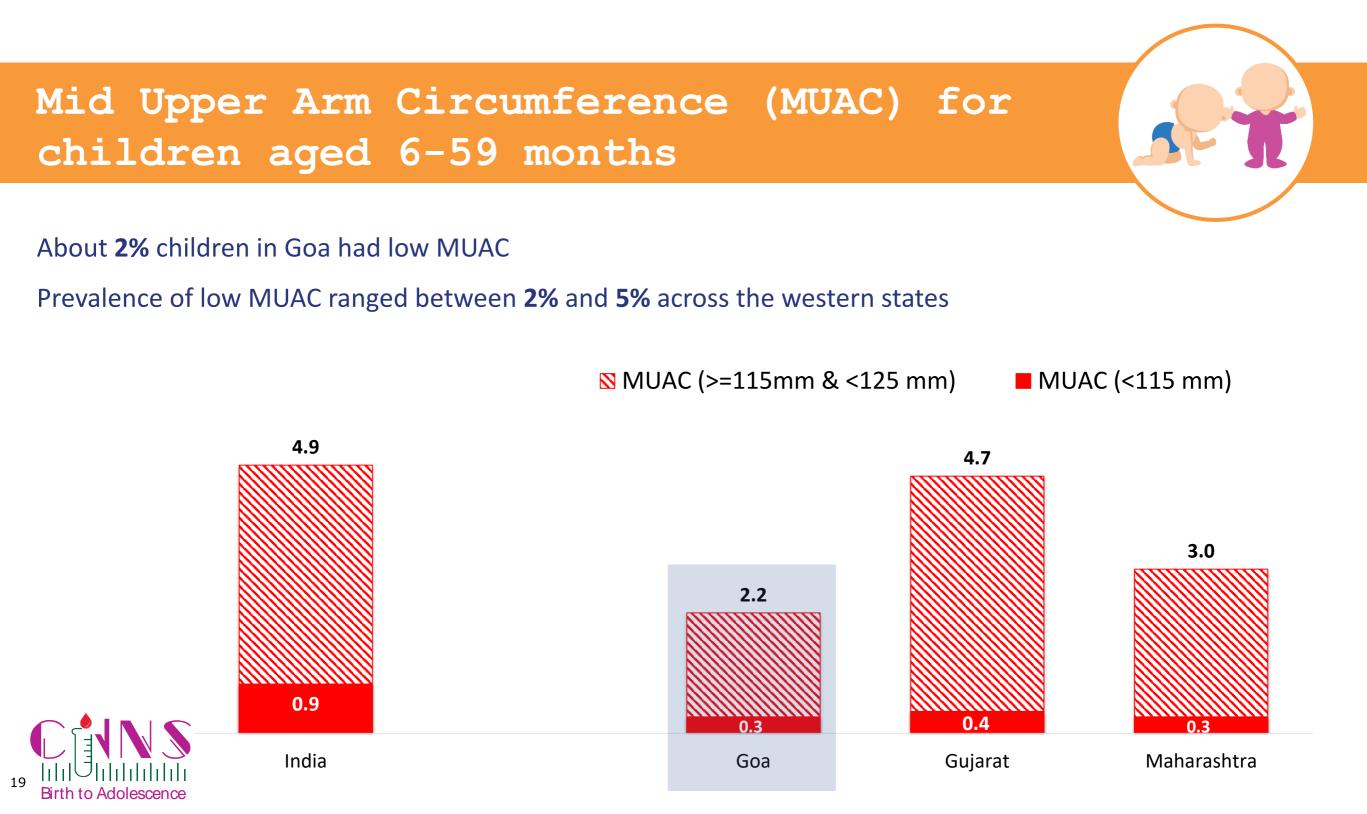


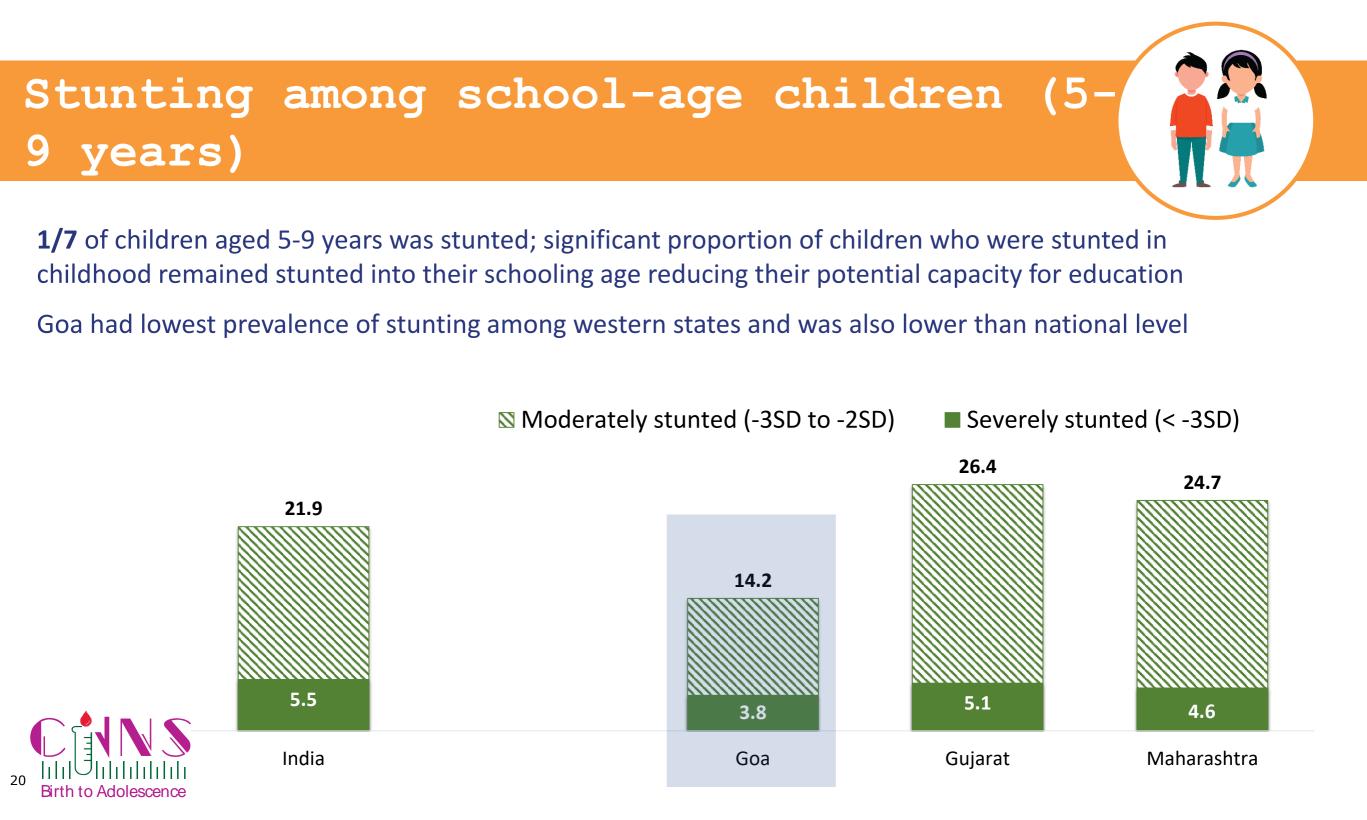
Subscapular Skinfold Thickness (SSFT) for children aged 1-4 years

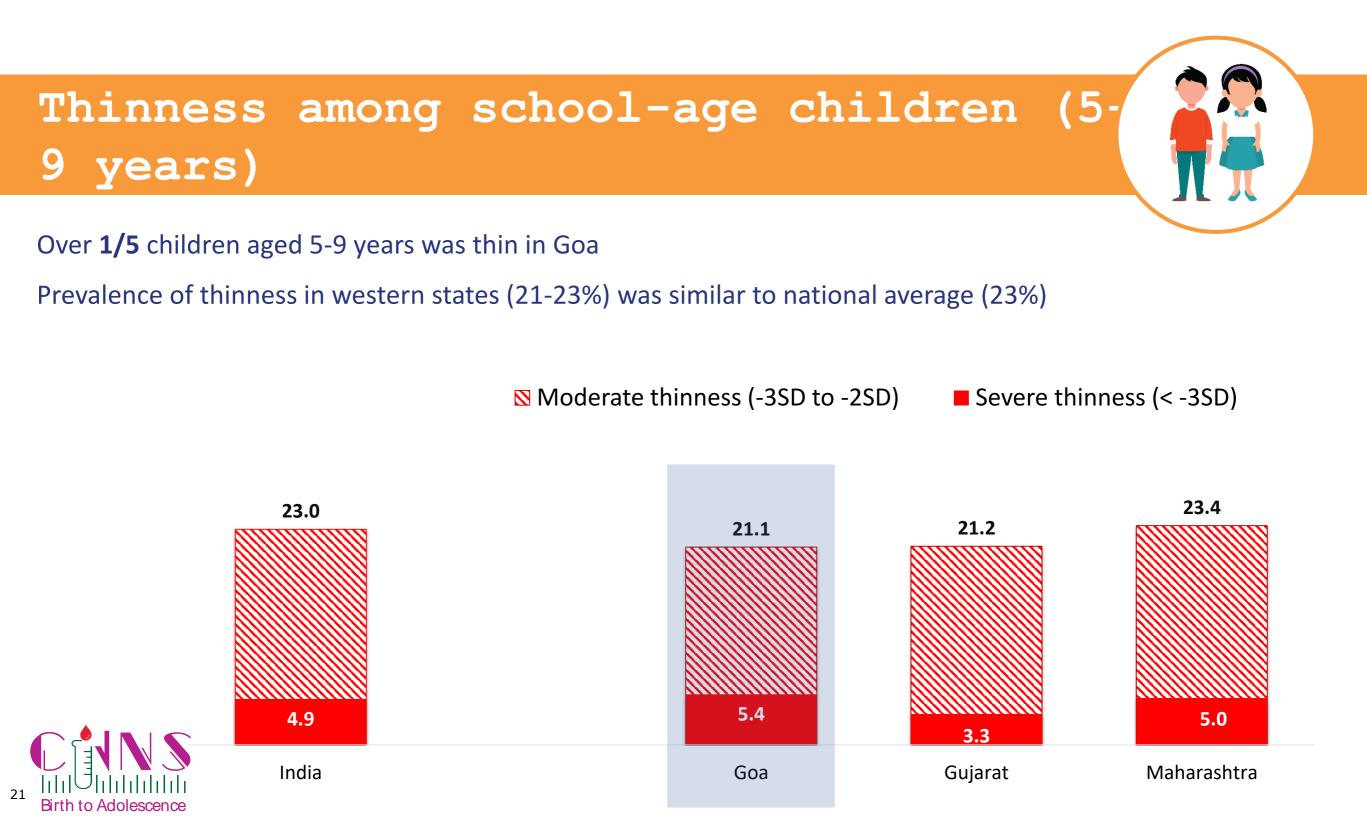
Thinness as reported by SSFT in Goa (6%) was lower than National average (9%) and Gujarat (12%) in the western region

SSFT (-3SD to -2SD) ■ SSFT (< -3SD)









## Overweight and obesity among school-age children (5-9 years) increasing

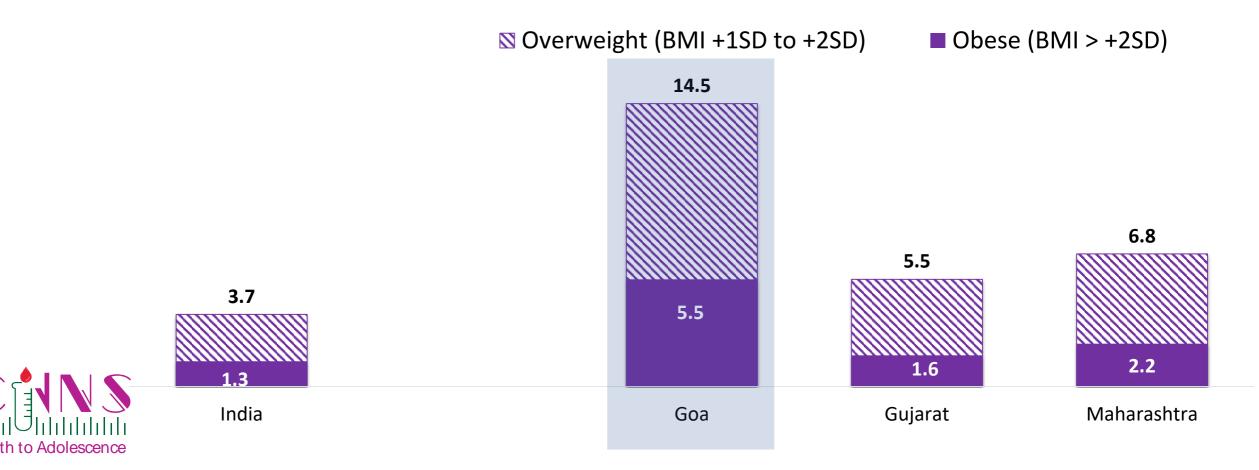


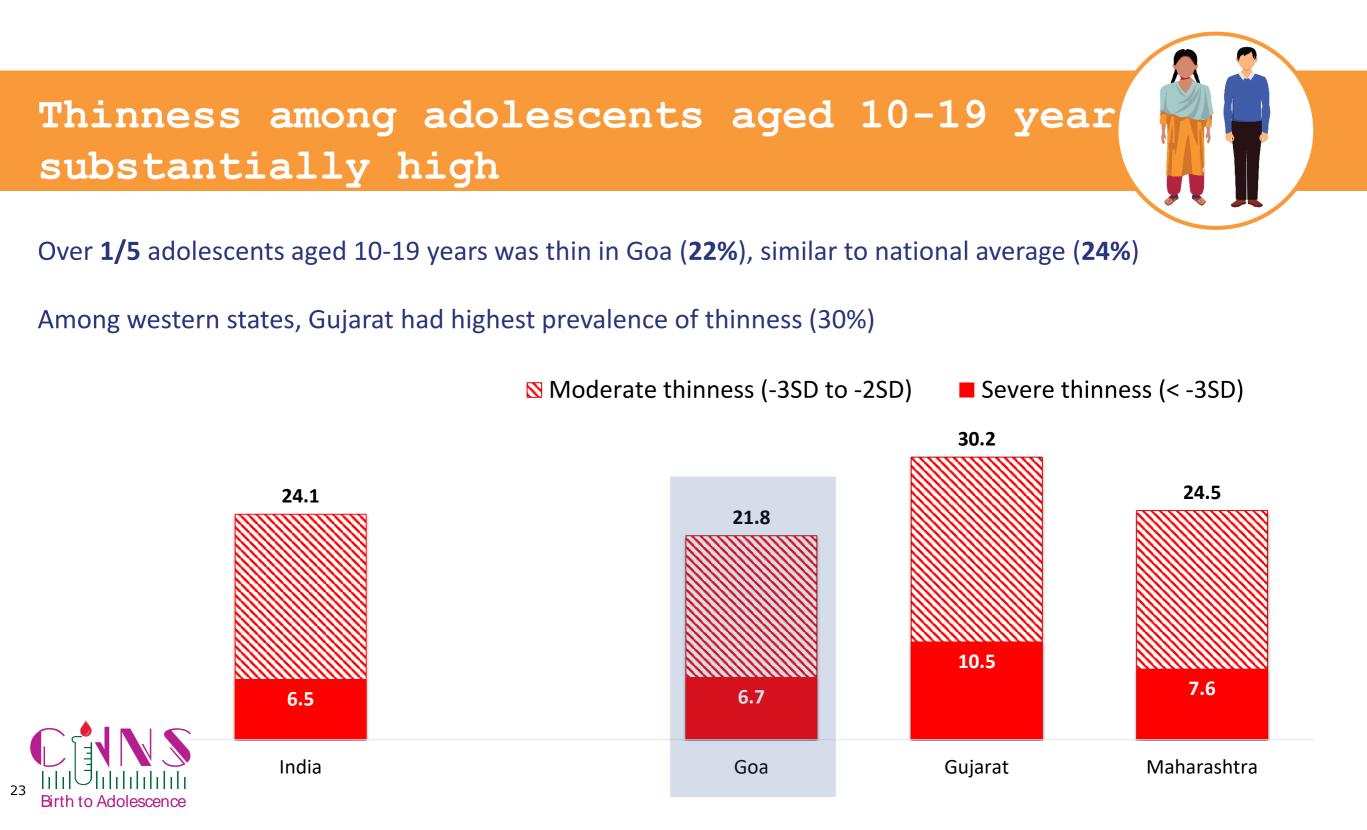
Overweight and obesity are on rise even among children aged 5-9 years

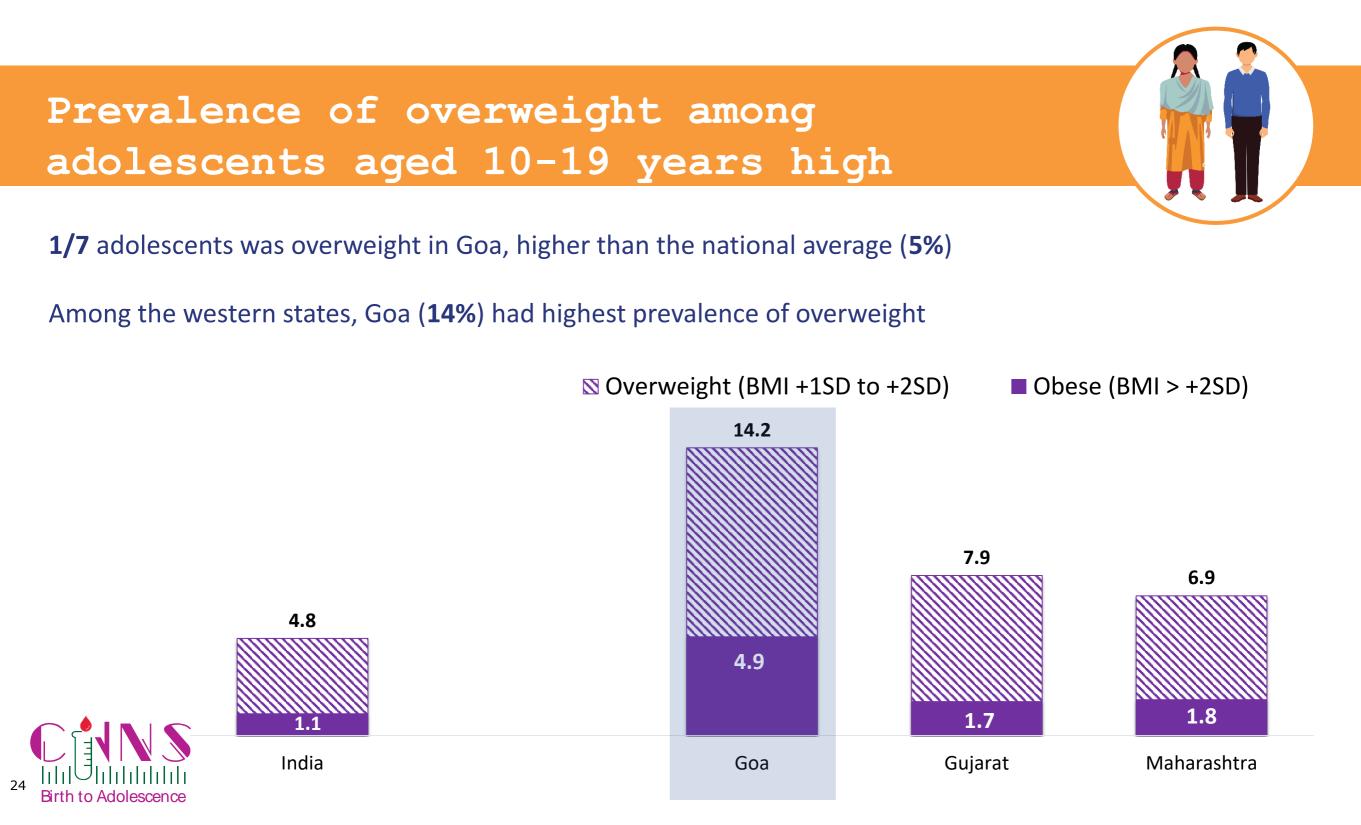
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Prevalence of overweight in Gujarat (6%) was slightly more than the national average (4%)

Among western states, Goa was one with very high prevalence of overweight in this age group

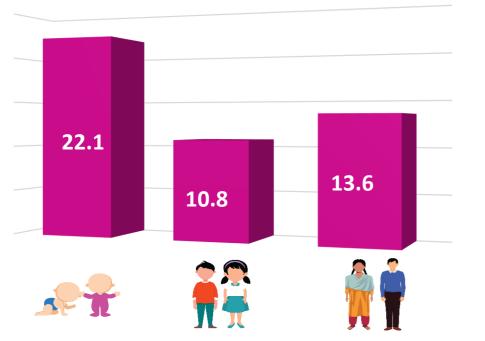




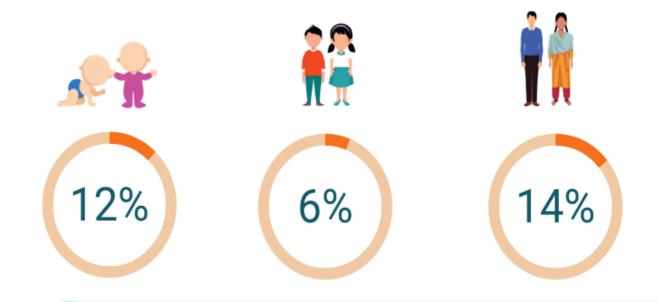


## Goa key findings: Anaemia and iron deficiency

#### Anaemia



In Goa, like in most states, anaemia was significantly higher among children aged 1-4 years compared to children aged 5-9 years and adolescents aged 10-19 years Iron deficiency





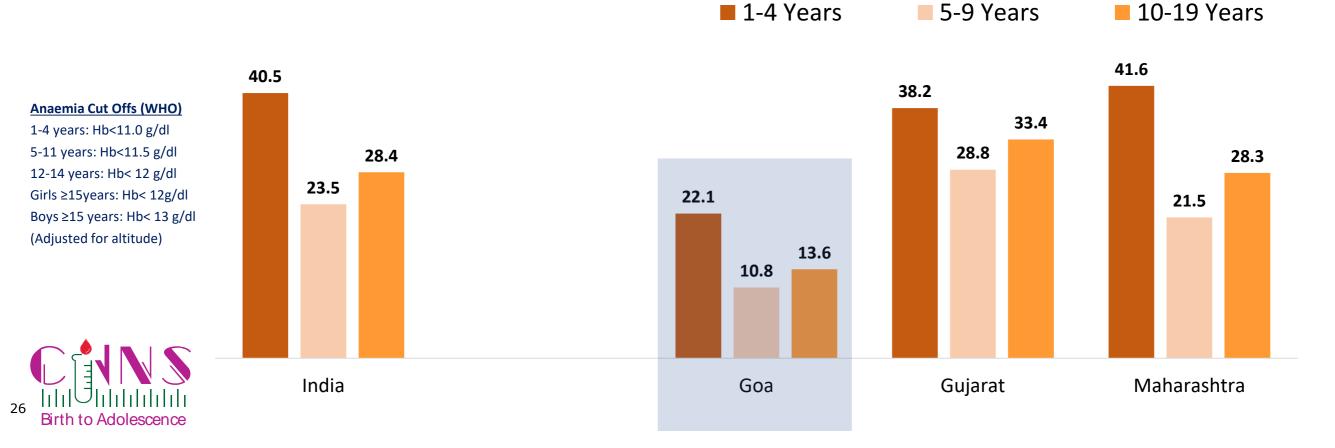
Findings indicate that children aged 1-4 years and adolescents age 10-19 years had higher iron deficiency (measured by serum ferritin) than school-aged children



## Prevalence of Anaemia among children and adolescents

In Goa, prevalence of anaemia among children and adolescents was half of national level and lowest among western states.

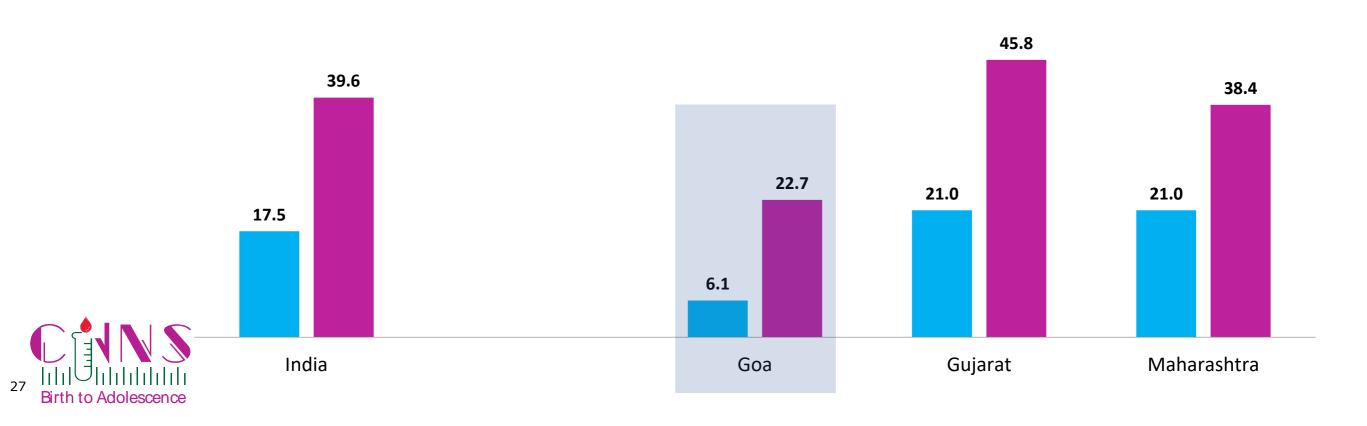
Prevalence of anaemia was highest among children aged 1-4 years, increased again in adolescence



### Prevalence of Anaemia among adolescents (10-19 years)

Overall, in the country, anaemia prevalence among adolescent girls (10-19 years) was twice that of adolescent boys

In Goa, as in many other western states, prevalence of anaemia among adolescent girls was significantly higher than adolescent boys (more than three times) Female



Male

Iron deficiency measured by serum ferritin among children and adolescents

In Goa, children aged 1-4 years and adolescents aged 10-19 years had iron deficiency at similar level (12-14%), but higher than school-aged children 5-9 years (6%)

Among western states, children and adolescents from Goa had lowest prevalence of iron deficiency



Goa key findings: Vitamin A and Vitamin D deficiency



Vitamin A deficiency was high (7%) in schoolage children 5-9 years indicating the need for policy review

Children aged 1-4 years and adolescents were found to have similar levels of Vitamin A deficiency as children aged 5-9 years



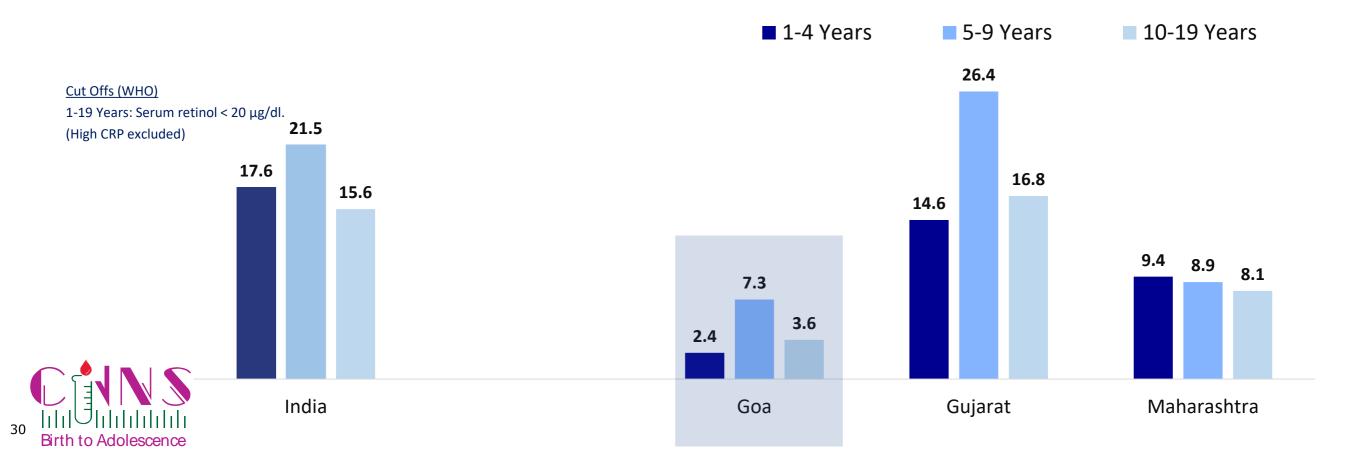
School- aged children 5-9 years were found to have higher level of Vitamin D deficiency than children aged 1-4 years and adolescents aged 10-19 years



### Vitamin A deficiency among children and adolescents

2-7% children and adolescents had Vitamin A deficiency in Goa

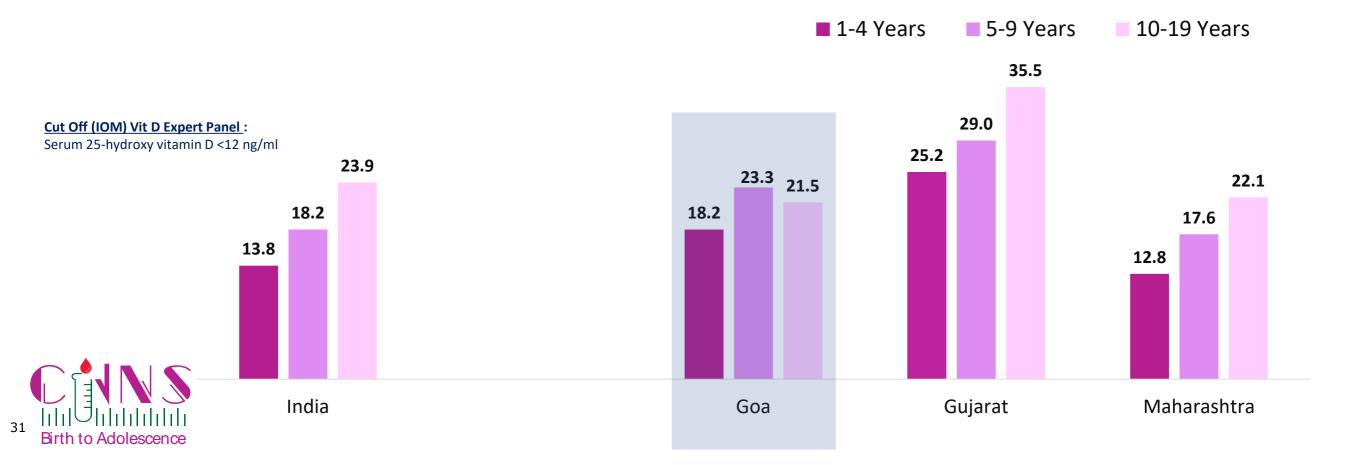
Gujarat had highest prevalence of Vitamin A deficiency among western states



# Vitamin D deficiency increases with age

18-23% of children and adolescents had Vitamin D deficiency in Goa.

In other western states, except Maharashtra, Vitamin D deficiency among children and adolescents was similar or higher than national average.



## Goa key findings: Non-communicable diseases





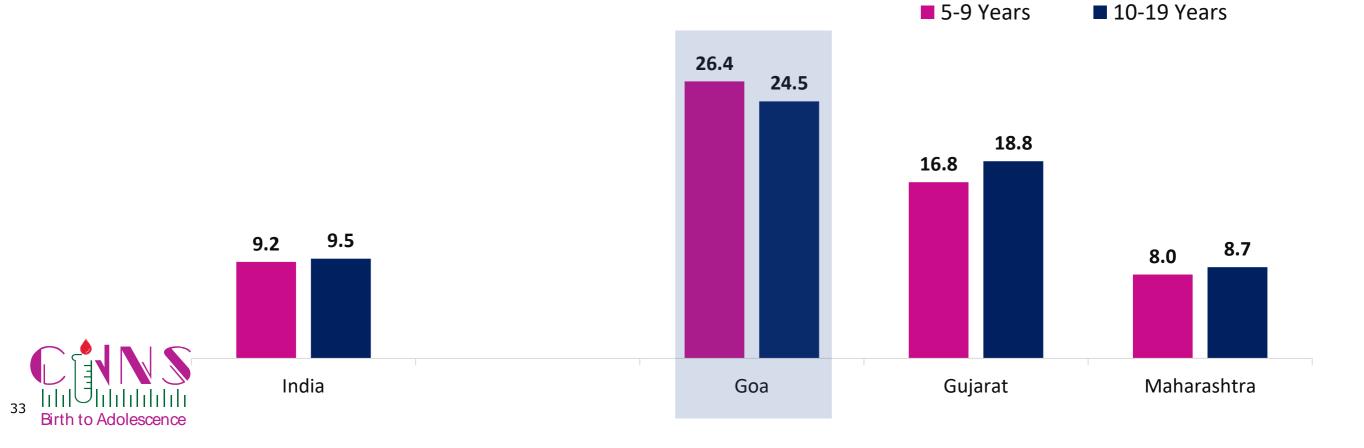
**1/4** school-age children and adolescents were found with high level of glycosylated haemoglobin (HbA1c).

Other indicators of risks of NCDs, such as level of cholesterol, triglycerides, LDL and HDL point to increased risks of NCDs among adolescents.

### Risk of diabetes among school-age children and adolescents

Based on Glycosylated hemoglobin (HbA1c), **1/4** children and adolescents had increased risk of diabetes in Goa (**25-26**%), significantly higher than country level (**9-10%**)

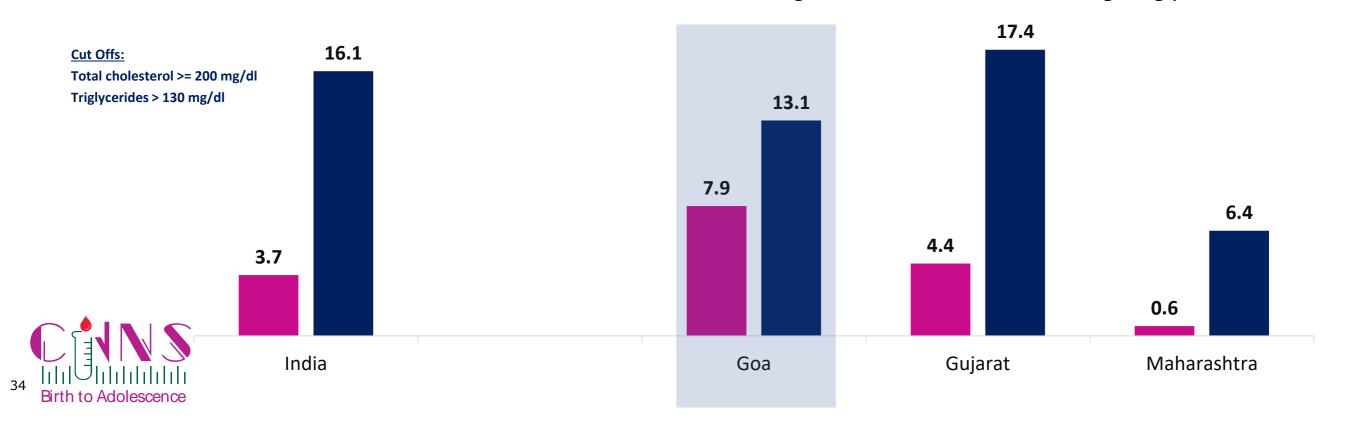
Among all western states, risk of diabetes was the highest in Goa



## High total cholesterol and high triglycerides among adolescents

Elevated risk of NCDs in Maharashtra among adolescents – **8%** had high level of total cholesterol and **13%** with high level of triglycerides

Prevalence of high total cholesterol and high triglycerides were lowest in Maharashtra among western states 
 High total cholesterol
 High triglycerides



# High LDL and low HDL among adolescents

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Risk of NCDs among adolescents in Goa – 15% had high level of LDL and 18% had low level of HDL

Among the western states, in Goa, prevalence of both high LDL and low HDL was high

High LDL Low HDL **Cut Offs:** 28.2 LDL >= 130 mg/dl HDL < 40 mg/dl25.4 24.7 17.5 15.3 6.0 3.8 2.9 India Gujarat Maharashtra Goa

### Preliminary Policy Discussions from CNNS

- Only about half of anaemia is caused by iron deficiency. Programmes must address all causes of anaemia but continue to address iron deficiency in children under five and adolescent girls (population with largest burden).
- Vitamin A deficiency is less prevalent than expected. Policy review is warranted. Interventions such as dietary diversification and fortification can be taken to scale to address the remaining burden.
- Vitamin D deficiency is an emerging public health issue among urban children and adolescents. Scaling up of fortification efforts can be considered. Further research is required to uncover the effects of pollution and other factors to design better programmes.
- Urinary Iodine data need to be examined in conjunction with salt consumption data for the population and level of iodine in salt at the household level.
- Control of NCDs such as diabetes and cardiovascular disease must start in the early ages to instil lifelong healthy habits as adult diseases start in childhood.



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