Government of India has started the National Program for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) to effectively tackle the growing burden of Non communicable diseases and has also set up targets and indicators to monitor the same. A National Survey for Monitoring the National Non Communicable Diseases Targets, is being conducted to get national estimates for these indicators and targets, so that the program can be monitored and subsequently improved.

This survey is currently being conducted all over the Maharashtra state by a trained team from B.J. Govt. Medical College & Sassoon General Hospital, Pune in collaboration with Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare MoHFW), Govt. of India. In this study, various health facilities at different levels both private & public will be studied regarding their preparedness to tackle non-communicable diseases emergencies & the capacity of the health care personnel. Also, a community based house-to-house survey will be carried out to collect data regarding blood sugar levels, blood pressure & various other anthropometric measurements, diet, exercise, risk factors, etc. The study findings are expected to result in policy change in the preventive steps to be taken against non-communicable diseases in the country.

The following team of six medical social workers, four field workers and two laboratory technicians are currently in the field collecting the above data from the community.
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