

## **HIV: Changing Scenario and Challenges**

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) has gotten perhaps the most feared infection on the planet and is a significant danger to human race in the century resisting every one of the techniques for treatment. It is a staggering disease with significant immunodeficiency. Epidemiological situation and information about this sickness are quick evolving. It was first perceived in Quite a while of America in 1981. Serosurveillance for human immunodeficiency infection (HIV) was begun in India in 1985. The principal instance of Helps in India was enrolled at Mumbai in May 1986. The accessible information propose an 'epidemiological climbing stage in Asia with fast expansion in number of HIV-contaminated people, especially among high hazard conduct people, teenagers and youthful grown-ups, antenatal moms and intravenous (IV) drug victimizers. At the turn of century, 20-50 million grown-ups are projected to be contaminated with HIV in Asia what's more, India is probably going to have biggest number as a solitary country. Thinking about the size of the issue, National AIDS Control Organization (NACO) was set up under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and began working in 1987.

#### **ABOUT STUDY**

An absolute number of 1,644,183 AIDS cases has been revealed by WHO till Jun 1997, an increment of around 18% over comparing figures till Jun 1996. Considering under analysis, fragmented revealing and deferral in detailing, it is assessed that roughly 9 to 10 million AIDS cases have happened and in excess of 30 million people have been tainted with HIV up until now. Epidemiological information proposes that number of new HIV cases is declining in Africa and Europe. The significant pockets of contamination in Asia are India, Thailand and Myanmar. Shockingly the unmistakable the study of disease transmission of HIV contamination and AIDS in India is inadequately reported. It has spread quickly in Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, North-Eastern states and Gujarat and less significantly in Northern and Central India. There is no report of any case from Arunachal Pradesh, Andaman and Nicobar island, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Lakshadweep and Tripura. As per NACO, a sum of 67,311 people has been accounted for to be HIV positive in India till Oct 1997. Somewhere in the range of 1986 and 1994, seroprevalence has risen quickly from 1.6 to 40% in business sex laborers and in STD facilities. As in Africa, hetero contact with business sex laborers is the most regular method of obtaining of HIV in India. It was additionally seen that ladies gain HIV for the most part from their contaminated companion and utilization of condom is restricted to 1-8% of couples as it were. The other normal modes are bonding of blood and blood items what's more, IV medication misuse. In this association, disposal of proficient blood benefactors gain a unique importance. Men who engage in sexual relations with men (MSM), a uniquely weak gathering in industrialized nations, are of generally less importance for transmission of HIV contamination in India. The vast majority of the MSM in India are hitched and work indiscriminately. The other danger factors for transmission of HIV disease unconventional to our nation are occupation (transporters and cleaners), prison detainees, patients going to explicitly communicated sickness (STD) and disease facilities, history of past genital ulcers, business blood benefactors, IV. drug victimizers. The metropolitan to rustic proportion is around 3:1. It creates the impression that patients in India are moderately youthful, for the most part having a place with poor financial status and they quick advancement to bring down CD4+ cell tally. Sadly these patients are regularly perceived at a later stage in the illness and as such there is restricted endurance advantage in treating these patients, especially when there is an asset smash in wellbeing offices. In this manner, there is prerequisite of more forceful screening to perceive these patients at the most punctual for thought for powerful enemy of retroviral treatment as well as prophylaxis. Sex, either hetero or gay, is intently identified with HIV and AIDS. The HIV contamination and STD share a typical danger conduct. In any case, contrasted with HIV, STD is more indicative and simple to diagnose. In the shortfall of fix or an antibody, prophylaxis is the solitary method of defending wellbeing against HIV contamination. It is smarter to be 'protected than to be 'grieved. Safe sex and not the 'No sex ought to be the attainable point. In this issue of diary, Kar and Chari have announced that 1.1% of cases going to STD facility were contaminated

with HIV. This is rather than high rate (10.2%) seen by Mehendale et al (1996) from Pune and by different specialists. Studies are expected to delve into subtleties of this inconstancy. As the contamination with HIV advances and significant immunodeficiency sets in, individual gets powerless to contamination with various microbes and to advancement of threat. It is essential to note that movement of HIV contamination is related with stamped changeability and till now there is no good boundary to thwart it. The data accessible as shrewd disease among HIV-tainted people is very deficient in non-industrial nations and especially in Asia. In any case, experience discloses to us that tuberculosis, especially aspiratory one, is the major HIV-related contamination. Oropharyngeal candidiasis and cryptosporidiosis are different contaminations predominant in India. In contrast, other diseases like cryptococcosis, toxoplasmosis, cytomegalovirus, herpes simplex, herpes zoster and histoplasmosis are less pervasive in our country. The danger of HIV contamination to medical services laborers after a slice or needlestick openness to tainted blood is roughly 0.3%. This danger increments if a bigger volume of blood is uncovered. Openness to other body liquids for example tears, spit and pee convey a much more modest danger. General safeguards and wellbeing gadgets are backbone in the anticipation of contamination after percutaneous openness. Post-openness prophylaxis with zidovudine (ZDV) and other antiviral medications do offer some insurance and should be considered after any sort of openness to HIV. Notwithstanding, such a methodology must be weighed against conceivable genuine symptoms of medications and cost engaged with establishing such a treatment. It is very obvious that monetary and social hardship, as is predominant in creating and immature nations, delivers a climate which makes a difference in engendering of HIV disease. It is additionally obvious that spread of HIV disease and AIDS will sustain neediness and financial backwardness. Accordingly preventive measures ought not be coordinated distinctly against HIV disease yet additionally against destitution and obliviousness. Major spaces of thirst should incorporate serosurveillance; reinforcing of STD and tuberculosis control programs; advancing utilization of condom and safe sex rehearses; screening of blood and blood items; lessening maternal transmission by building up antenatal consideration; widespread safety measures among individuals really focusing on HIV-contaminated patients and blood; advancement of less expensive and more secure antiretroviral chemotherapy; and financial restoration.