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A Hospital Based Bivariate Analysis of Nutritional Status and its Determinants among the Children Aged Y to 1Y Years in an Indian Island

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Background: Malnutrition in children is a major public health problem in developing countries and is one of the common causes of mortality and morbidity in children. We aimed to determine the nutritional status of children aged Y-1Y years of age using World Health Organisation(WHO) Z score for Weight for age (WFA)/Body Mass Index (BMI) for age (for children above \.\lambda months), and to evaluate association between underweight and various socio-demographic factors. Materials and Methods A total of FFF children aged Y-1Y years (YF-1FF months) were enrolled in the study. The children's anthropometric measurements were taken using the standard operating procedures; the socio-demographic particulars were obtained using a pretested validated questionnaire, after obtaining written consent from their parents. The anthropometric data was analyzed using WHO Anthro and Anthro plus Softwares. Underweight and severe underweight was diagnosed if WFA Z score <= -Y standard deviation [SD] and Results: Overall prevalence of under nutrition among the children YF-IFF months of age was Wo. A%. Among children in the age groups of YF-Q9 months, 5-119 months and 14-14 months, the prevalence of underweight/thinness was YY.9%, W1.4% and Y5.5%, respectively. Severe underweight/thinness in the same age groups was Y.1%, 10.7%, and 11.8%, respectively. The sociodemographic factors significantly associated with underweight were education status of mother, occupation of father, number of siblings, type of family and religion (p<o.oΔ). Conclusion: Mild to moderate under nutrition was common among the children of the island and affects boys slightly more than girls, however, severe underweight is more .prevalent in girls

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