

TITLE OF THE PROJECT:RSA OF RISKY BEHAVIOURS

TARGET AREA:KHANEWAL

TARGET GROUP:MSM

LOCATION:KHANEWAL

INTRODUCTION:

The HIV epidemic is changing rapidly in Pakistan Estimates in 2004 indicates a move from a low prevalence country to a concentrated in Pakistan. The numbers of new cases of HIV infection continues to rise. At the end June 2004,2189 cases of HIV AND 288 AIDS cases had been reported to NACP.Sex workers especially MSM are being more vulnerable to HIV/AIDS due to lack of prevention knowledge about HIV/AIDS. Present study is conducted to check and update the level of awareness among MSM about HIV/AIDS.

District knanewal was created in 1985.Out of three tehsils of khanewal districts namely kabirwala, jahania, and mian channu.district khenewal is spread over an area of 4349 square kilometers.

OBJECTIVES:

The main objectives of the project are:

- To identify key features of the social, cultural, and structural context, which influences sexual behavior, and sexual risk taking towards HIV/AIDS.
- Develop appropriate sexual risk behavior to minimize the adverse health consequences.
- Identifying features influencing sexual behavior.
- To empower MSM to carry out preventions of HIV/AIDS.

FINDINGS:

- 50% of MSM was unaware of HIV/AIDS
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- 63%has knowledge about STI as disease.

- None is tested for HIV/AIDS.

- 23%HAS HIV prevention knowledge.

- Majority of clients used different substances such as alcohols and heroin. Uses of substances jointly during sexual encounter are common.

- 33% has accurate knowledge about STIs transmission.

- 14% gain knowledge about HIV from NGOs.
- 14% gain knowledge about HIV from media.
- Use rate of condom is very low. .
- There is an urgent need to establish interventions in settings like their residential places, festivals, shrines, cycle ground and work places.