

<p>Title of the proect: Vulnerability among IDUs.</p>
<p>Target Area:Gujranwala Target Group:IDUs Project Area: Gujranwala.</p>
<p>Introduction: IDUs are among the most vulnerable groups regarding HIV/AIDS .The HIV/AIDS infection ratio is continuously increasing among the IDUs.This alarming situation demands the full attention of HIV/AIDS preventing organizations towards IDUs.</p> <p>In order to assess the HIV/AIDS vulnerability among the injecting drug users in Gujranwala as well as to establish a baseline regarding the current situation of injecting drug use a small scale study was planned to be carried in order to gauge the impact of the services provided to the IDUs.</p>
<p>OBJECTIVES: Main objectives of the project are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •To establish baseline information prior to initiate HIV prevention services for IDUs in the city. •To collect demographic profiles, information ,data related to injecting drug users. •To document drug history and patterns. •To assess their HIV/AIDS vulnerability through injecting drug use and sexual practices .
<p>Findings: Main findings of the project are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ·The age of the respondents were scattered between 18-40 years. ·27 out of 30 respondents belonged to Gujranwala. ·The major portion of the respondents were unmarried. ·Majority of the respondents were unmarried. ·The present monthly income of half of the respondents was between 1500-4500. ·23 out of 30 respondents admitted to give away their syringes to someone else for injecting drugs after they had used them. ·22 out of 30 said that they have been arrested by the police in the past. ·2/3 of the respondents said that they have sexual relationship with others. ·Only 12 out of total respondents had heard about HIV/AIDS.