

The Global Network's Maternal Newborn Health Registry – Thatta

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Summary:

At the Global Network research site in Thatta, we maintain a prospective, population-based active surveillance of pregnancies. All pregnant women in the research clusters are identified registered and their outcomes tracked for 6 weeks post-delivery. The primary purpose of this prospective, population-based observational study of approximately 12,000 women per year is to quantify and understand the trends in pregnancy services and outcomes over time in defined, low-resource geographic clusters. The goal is to provide population-based statistics on stillbirths, neonatal and maternal mortality as the basis of health care policy. The data from the registry also provide the mortality and morbidity outcomes for Global Network trials and help investigators plan future studies for the Global Network outcomes.