An Overview of Health Status in Andaman Islands

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Abstract:
Concern regarding health and health economics occupies enormous amount of significance given the fact that there is rising level of consciousness about the need to have a healthy population in order to be economically more productive. Andaman and Nicobar islands being a Union Territory is directly under the administration of the central government and has been pursuing the Health Policy of the central government right since the first health Policy was declared in the year 1983, after the famous Alma Ata declaration and clarion call of 'Health for All'. In the present study an attempt has been made by the researcher to analyze the trend in health status in Andaman Island on the basis of secondary data. For the purpose of study healthcare facilities available in the islands has been treated as the supply side factors which go into improving the health status, whereas the indicators of health status has been treated as the output which are directly related to the health care facilities available. As it shows to what extent such facilities were utilized to improve the health status. The major health indicators used for the purpose was CBR, CDR, IMR an MMR. The study reveals that the supply of health care facilities have improved over the years.