

RTI COVID-India**Introduction**

Namaste! My name is _____ from _____. I am a surveyor for the coronavirus in India study, conducted by researchers from AIIMS and the University of Southern California. You might remember we called you in May 2020 and asked if you would be willing to answer a monthly phone survey about the coronavirus and your family's health and economic situation. I am calling for that survey now. Before we get started, I will give you some more information about participation.

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Section A. Awareness about COVID-19: Symptoms and Beliefs

CVAintro. I would like to start by asking you some questions about what you know about the coronavirus.

CVA001. **[Core: Ask everyone, every wave]** Which of the following have you done in the last seven days? [\[Interviewer: Prompt each question and check all that apply\]](#)

1. Worn a face mask
2. Washed hands with soap or used sanitizer more than three times a day
3. Stayed in your house at all times
4. Avoided contact with people who could be high risk for transmitting coronavirus
5. Gone to a residence that is not your own (e.g. friend, neighbor, or relative)
6. Had visitors such as friends, neighbors, or relatives at your residence
7. Attended a gathering with more than 10 people, such as a reunion, wedding, funeral, or religious service
8. Had close contact (2 arm's length) with people who you do not live with
9. Went out shopping for groceries, vegetables, medicines, etc.
10. Traveled to and from work
11. Asked household help/maids to stop coming to your house
12. None of the above

CVA002. **[Core]** Do you know any of the symptoms of coronavirus? If so, what are they? [\[Do not prompt but check all that apply\]](#)

1. Fever or chills
2. Cough
3. Difficulty breathing/shortness of breath
4. Runny or stuffy nose
5. Sore throat
6. Chest pain
7. Sneezing
8. Skin rash
9. Muscle or body ache
10. Headache

11. Fatigue or tiredness
12. Abdominal discomfort
13. Ear pain
14. Lost sense of smell
15. Lost sense of taste
16. Other (specify)_____

Skip CVA003 – 5 in baseline and start asking these questions from Round 2

CVA003. [Ask if CVA002 is not equal to q] Do you know what you should do if you get symptoms of coronavirus?

1. No, I don't know
2. Stay home
3. Call doctor for advice
4. Visit local doctor for advice
5. Take fever and cough medicines
6. Other, please specify_____

CVA004. [Ask if CVA003 is = 3 or 4] Where would you go to seek medical care if you do have symptoms of coronavirus?

1. Registered medical practitioner in our community
2. Nearby public health facility or hospital
3. Nearby private clinic
4. Nearby private hospital
5. Traditional healer
6. Community health worker/ASHA

CVA005. Has anyone in your HH been diagnosed by a healthcare professional with coronavirus infection?

1. Yes
5. No

Section B. Health Check Up

[Ask only female member of LASI-DAD households]

CVBintro. Now I would like to ask some questions about your family's wellbeing and ability to access medical care.

CVB001. First I want to ask about routine health checkups, like antenatal care for pregnant women or visits to monitor chronic diseases. Has anyone in your household, including you, experienced the following in the past month?

- a. Had a visit cancelled or been turned away due to closures, or unavailability of staff?
 1. Yes
 5. No

- b. [\[Ask only if CVB001a=1\]](#) Could you tell me the age and gender of that person? If more than one household member had such experience, please list all their ages and genders.

___ age ___sex

- c. Cancelled a visit or avoided care because you could not travel to the facility or feared visiting a facility?

1. Yes 5. No

- d. [\[Ask only if CVB001c=1\]](#) Could you tell me the age and gender of that person? If more than one household member had such experience, please list all their ages and genders.

___ age ___sex

- e. Now I would like to ask about health care visits for sickness or injury. In the past month, has anyone in your household, including you: tried to get care for sickness or injury and been turned away due to closures or unavailability of staff?

1. Yes 5. No

- f. [\[Ask only if CVB001e=1\]](#) Could you tell me age and gender of that person? If more than one household member had such experience, please list all their ages and genders.

___ age ___sex

- g. Avoided care for sickness or injury because you could not travel to the facility or feared visiting a facility?

1. Yes 5. No

- h. [\[Ask only if CVB001g=1\]](#) Could you tell me age and gender of that person? If more than one household member had such experience, please list all their ages and genders.

___ age ___sex

CVB002. Have you or any other family member experienced any of the following symptoms in the past 2 weeks? [\[Interviewer: Prompt each symptom and check all that apply\]](#)

1. Fever or chills
2. Cough
3. Difficulty breathing/shortness of breath
4. Runny or stuffy nose
5. Muscle or body ache
6. Fatigue or tiredness
7. Ear pain
8. Sinus pain
9. Lost sense of smell
10. Lost sense of taste
11. None of the above

CVB003. Can you tell me if you experienced any of the following in the past seven days due to lack of money or resources? [1. Yes. 5. No. 7. Unsure]

- a. You were worried you would run out of food?
- b. You ate less than you wanted to?
- c. You ate different food because of cost considerations?
- d. You went without eating for a whole day?
- e. You could not eat what you usually have, because of unavailability?

CVB004. Have the elderly (aged 60+) in your household been affected in any of the following ways?

1. Not able to perform needed or usual household work
2. Not able to volunteer in the community
3. Not able to provide care to others
4. Not able to provide care to grandchildren
5. Not able to receive care from others
6. None of the above

CVB005. [\[Ask only at the baseline interview\]](#) Before the lockdown [March 24, 2020] what was your family's main source of food?

- a. Local market/vendors
- b. Supermarket/large store
- c. Government source/PDS/ Ration shop
- d. Mobile peddlers
- e. Other (specify)

CVB006. What is your family's main source of food right now?

- a. Local market/vendors
- b. Supermarket/large store
- c. Government source/PDS/ Ration shop
- d. Mobile peddlers
- e. Other (specify)
- f. We cannot find food

Section C. Economic Effects

[Ask only male member of LASI-DAD household]

CVCintro. I would like to begin by asking some questions about your family's economic situation. Some of these questions might feel personal, but it is important for us to understand how the coronavirus is affecting the lives of families like yours.

CVC001. [\[Ask only at the baseline\]](#) Before the lockdown announced by Prime Minister Modi on March 24, 2020, what was your family's main source of income? [\[Check all that apply\]](#)

1. Farming own/leased land
2. Self-employment/small business

3. Casual labor (daily/irregular wage)
4. Private sector job that pays a wage
5. Government job that pays a wage
6. Pension from employer
7. Government assistance (including old-age pension and other assistance)
8. Remittance (financial transfer from family)
9. Assistance from others (non-government) e.g. community, NGO
10. We had no source of income

CVC002. [Skip if C1=J] How much was the total monthly income of your household before the lockdown?

Rs. _____

CVC002a. – C2c. [Ask only if R does not give an exact answer to CVC002] Does it amount to less than [threshold value randomly chosen], more than [threshold value randomly chosen], or about equal to [threshold value randomly chosen]?

[Rupees 500; Rupees 3,000; Rupees 7,000; Rupees 15,000; Rupees 35,000]

CVC003. How has coronavirus affected your work and the work of other members of the household? [Mark all that apply]

1. I lost my job
2. Other HH members lost their jobs → Go to C3a
3. I or others HH members are working reduced hours
4. I or other HH members have no work or less work (for self-employed)
5. I or other HH members are not allowed to work on the farms (for farmers)
6. I or other HH members are asked to work more (or longer) hours
7. No effect
8. I/Others have been asked to stay home for a few days without pay
9. I/Others have been asked to stay home for a few days with pay
10. Asked to take sick leave
11. Others, please specify _____

C3a. [Ask only if CVC003=b] What are age and sex of the HH member who lost the job? If multiple HH members lost job, please give age and sex of each person who lost job.

Age___Gender___

CVC004. What is your family's main sources of income right now? [Check all that apply]

1. Farming own/leased land
2. Self-employment/small business
3. Casual labor (daily/irregular wage)
4. Private sector job that pays a wage
5. Government job that pays a wage
6. Pension from employer
7. Government assistance (including old-age pension and other government transfers)

8. Remittance (financial transfer from family)
9. Assistance from others (non-government) e.g. community, NGO
10. We have no source of income

CVC005. How many people aged 15 and older in your household are currently working for pay? By currently, I mean they have done work that earned money in the past 7 days. If you are working, please include yourself in this count.

- (a) _____ men/boys
- (b) _____ women/girls

CVC006. How many people aged 15 and older in your household are not working but looking for work? If you are looking for work, please include yourself in this count.

- (a) _____ men/boys
- (b) _____ women/girls

CVC007. Do you have any household members who had migrated for work and are trying to come back home because of the coronavirus pandemic?

1. Yes, they have returned.
2. Yes, they are still trying to come home.
5. No

CVC008. In the past month, did your household receive any cash benefits from government? If so, how much money did your household get from government schemes?

1. Yes
5. No

CVC008_amount. [[Ask if CVC008=1](#)] Amount received: _____ Rupees

CVC009. In the past month, did your household receive any cash benefits from NGOs or other charities? If so, how much money did your household get?

1. Yes
5. No

CVC009_amount. [[Ask if CVC009=1](#)] Amount received: _____ Rupees

CVC010. In the past month, did your household receive any cash gifts or remittances from family or friends? If so, how much money did your household get?

1. Yes
5. No

CVC010_amount. [[Ask if CVC010=1](#)] Amount received: _____ Rupees

CVC011. Did your household receive any free food or in-kind transfers from the government, charities, or family/friends? [[Check all that apply](#)]

1. Received from government
2. Received from NGOs or charitable organizations
3. Received from family/friends
4. Did not receive

CVC012. Not counting for the money from government, charities, NGOs, and family/friends, what is the best estimate of your household earnings in the past month? Please be sure to include all household members' earnings.

Rs _____

CVC012a. –c. [Ask only If R does not give an exact answer to C12] Does it amount to less than [threshold value randomly chosen], more than [threshold value randomly chosen], or about equal to [threshold value randomly chosen]?
[Rupees 500; Rupees 3,000; Rupees 7,000; Rupees 15,000; Rupees 35,000]

CVC013. Which of the following best describes the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on your ability to meet financial obligations or essential needs such as rent or mortgage payments, utilities, and groceries?

1. Major impact
2. Moderate impact
3. Minor impact
4. No impact
5. Too soon to tell

Rotate Section D and E3-5 (E1 and 2 are core): Every Round, half of the sample gets D, and the other half gets E3-5; Next Round, they get to answer the section they didn't answer in prior round.

Section D. Discrimination and (mis) information

CVDintro. Now I would like to ask a few questions about your sources of information about the coronavirus.

CVD001. Which information sources have you used to learn about the coronavirus in the past 7 days? [Do not prompt, Check all that apply]

1. Local health workers (ANM/anganwadi/ASHA)
2. Government officials
3. Newspapers
4. Friends, family, neighbors, and residential societies
5. Family doctor (western medicine practitioner)
6. Traditional medicine practitioner
7. Television or radio
8. WhatsApp groups
9. Other social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc)

CVD002. Have any of the following things happened to you due to people thinking you might have the coronavirus? [Check all that apply].

1. You were treated badly/without respect
2. You were chased out of your home or neighborhood
3. You were offered help
4. People acted as if they were scared of you
5. You were threatened or harassed
6. None of the above

Section E. Mental Health and Wellbeing

CVE001. **[Core]** Over the last two weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems?

- [1. All the time; 2. Frequently; 3. Occasionally; 4. Rarely]
- a. Feeling nervous or anxious
 - b. Unable to stop worrying
 - c. Feeling down, depressed or hopeless
 - d. Little interest or pleasure in doing things

CVE002. **[Core]** How has the coronavirus pandemic impacted your family's life? [\[Do not prompt, mark all that apply\]](#)

1. Unable to access healthcare
2. We lost work/jobs
3. We lost income
4. Facing discrimination
5. Impacted my social/religious activities
6. Disrupted education of me or my family members
7. Other (specify)

CVE003. How concerned are you about each of the following impacts of coronavirus?

- [1. Not at all concerned; 2. Somewhat concerned; 3. Very concerned; 4. Extremely concerned]
- a. Fear of infection/death in your family
 - b. Feeling lonely/cannot meet relatives or friends
 - c. Increased stress among household members

CVE004. What have you done to cope with the coronavirus pandemic? [\[Check all that apply\]](#)

1. Consult/seek consolation from friends and family
2. Picked up a hobby (e.g. reading, gardening)
3. Exercise/physical activities
4. Yoga, meditation, and other relaxation techniques
5. Volunteering/reach out to help others
6. Watch TV/video
7. Spirituality/prayer
8. Other (specify)
9. Nothing particular

CVE005. When do you think we can recover from the coronavirus pandemic? How likely do you think we will be able to get back to normal life in the next 6-months?

1. Very likely 2. Likely 3. Unlikely 4. Very unlikely

Thanks for your participation