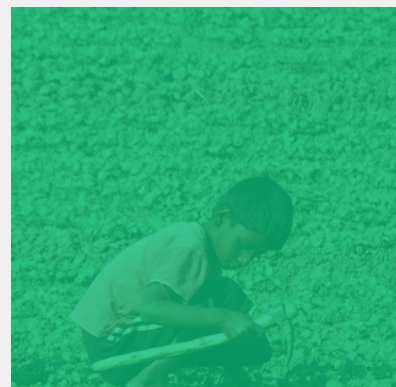
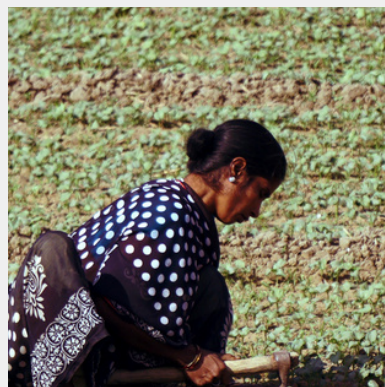
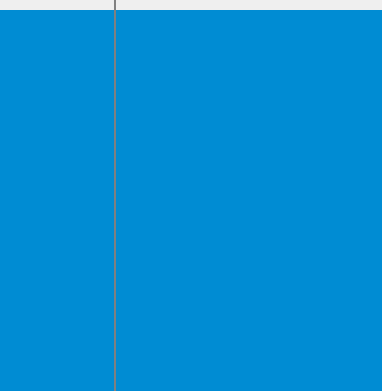
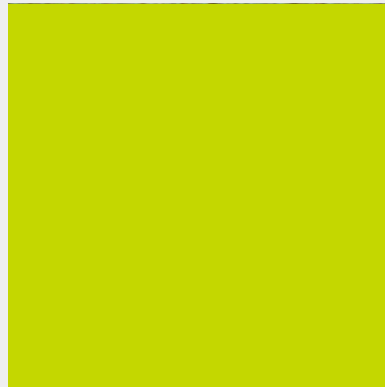


2021-22

Annual Report



Explore More



The Population Council Institute's mission is to improve the lives of millions of Indians, especially the less fortunate. We do this by conducting high-quality policy and program relevant research and evaluations that confront critical health and development issues in India.

Our mission achieving efforts include increased access to health services, lowering malnutrition prevalence, improving reproductive health, building resilience against environmental risks and achieving gender equality.

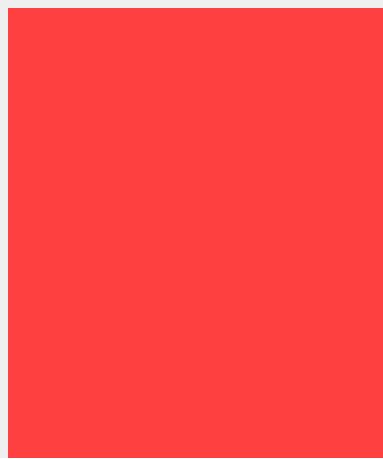
Through field-based, social science, and public health research, we work with the Indian government, multilateral agencies, private businesses, and program implementing organizations to design innovative solutions that lead to more effective policies and programs.



The Population Council Institute is locally registered as a non-profit, non-governmental entity in India as of January 2019.

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What we do

Program and Policy Research

We help diagnose problems and recommend most suitable options for program/ policy in the areas of population, health, gender and development in India.

Implementation Science

We work with communities, health system and other partners across India to create effective, sustainable, and systemic changes.



Program Evaluations

We conduct program evaluations on a range of population, health, and developmental issues using scientific methods to ensure robust and unbiased evaluation design, methodology, analysis, interpretation, and reporting results.



Capacity Building

We offer training on programme design, management, measurement, evaluations, and scientific documentation of the learnings.



Focus Areas



Health

Enable programmes to reduce social and economic barriers to health services, particularly sexual and reproductive health and women's health through the life cycle.



Nutrition

Contribute to ending malnutrition through implementation research and by designing and testing pilot interventions.



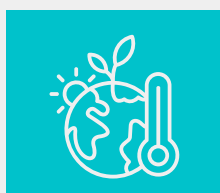
Education

Enable programmes to reduce social and economic barriers to health services, particularly sexual and reproductive health and women's health through the life cycle.



Non-Communicable Diseases

Contribute to ending malnutrition through implementation research and by designing and testing pilot interventions.



Climate Change

Strengthen resilience of vulnerable populations in adapting to climate change stressors through generation of research evidence and implementation of innovative solutions.



Gender

Achieve gender equality and empower women of all ages by designing and implementing evidence-based programs.

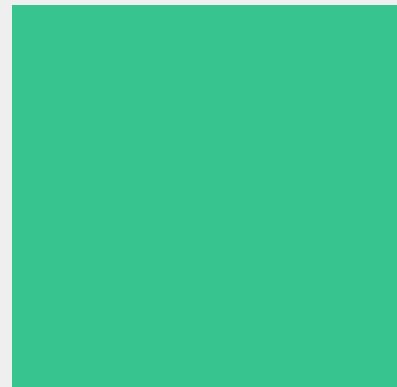
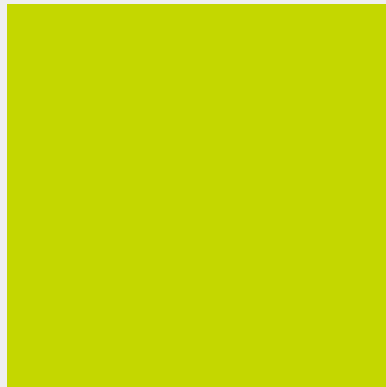
A word from the Executive Director

The Population Council Institute is dedicated to enhancing the health and wellbeing of people in India, particularly those facing economic challenges. Our approach involves conducting high-quality program relevant research and implement solutions on health, education, environment and development. In the year 2021-22, we worked on critical health areas in fight against COVID-19 pandemic. Our dedicated team with support from partners helped in conducting various research activities ranging from empowering health security, preparing the COVID-19 vulnerability tool, and engaging partners to discuss on adolescent sexual and reproductive health.

During the past year, a rapid implementation research study was carried out by the Population Council Institute in collaboration with health workers, SEWA grassroots community mobilisers and key stakeholders in Delhi, Gujarat, and Madhya Pradesh to examine the content, context, and processes of Lok Swasthya SEWA Trust's (LSST) first community-based digital intervention. Key enablers for the successful implementation of the intervention included a strong community presence, strategies to engage women in group discussions, and reaching women at their convenience.

In addition, our research team used publicly available data to construct a COVID-19 vulnerability index, aimed at identifying vulnerable regions in India based on population and infrastructure characteristics. This index served as valuable tool for planners and program managers, enabling more effective resource allocation and risk mitigation strategies to enhance preparedness and response to the epidemic. A collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO) saw the Population Council Institute engaging with district stakeholders including district health officials and program managers, adolescent sexual and reproductive health counselors, and other professionals working on adolescent health and development. This collaboration sought input on potential data for district and sub-district decision making for program implementation.

As always, our annual report only provides a glimpse of the breadth of our work and achievements in the past year. The Population Council Institute is grateful to our generous donors, dedicated partner organizations, supportive government departments, and engaged local stakeholders. We are honored to collaborate with individuals around the world who share the vision of The Population Council Institute. Thank you for your unwavering support and commitment. We are pleased to present our annual report for 2021-22.



A glance at last year

Empowering people towards health security

COVID-19 Vulnerability Tool: A vulnerability index methodology for the management and response to the COVID-19 epidemic in India

Focus on adolescent sexual and reproductive health to help decision making in India



Empowering people towards health security

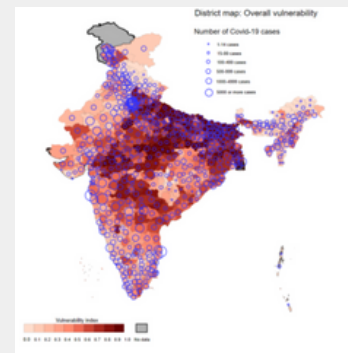
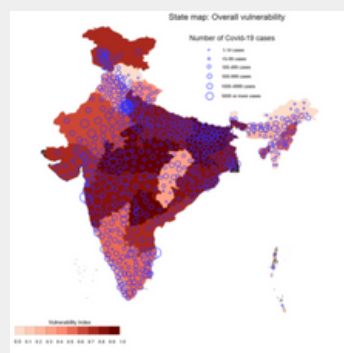
The study examined Lok Swasthya SEWA Trust's (LSST) response to COVID to inform and improve ongoing responses by community-based women's group programs. A rapid implementation research study was conducted by PC institute with health workers, SEWA grassroots community mobilisers and key informants in Delhi, Gujarat, and Madhya Pradesh to examine the content, context, and processes of LSST's first community-based digital intervention. The study entailed in depth interviews with key stakeholders across the implementation channels. Community presence, intervention strategies to engage women in group discussions and reaching women at their need and convenience were identified as key enablers to successful implementation of the intervention. Barriers to implementation included limited access or ability to use mobile phones, difficulty engaging or reaching women over a period of time and reaching the most vulnerable. There was also apprehension in discussing sensitive (non-COVID) health topics.



COVID-19 Vulnerability Tool: A vulnerability index methodology for the management and response to the COVID-19 epidemic in India

In 2020, COVID-19 was spreading rapidly in India and other parts of the world. Despite the Indian Government's efforts to contain the disease in the affected districts, cases have been reported in 627 (98%) of 640 districts. Using publicly available data, the researchers of the institution reported a vulnerability index for identification of vulnerable regions in India on the basis of population and infrastructural characteristics.

The vulnerability indices reported in the study are intended to spatially identify vulnerable regions in India according to five different domains of vulnerability. The index aims to help planners and policy makers to effectively plan resource allocation and risk mitigation strategy for better preparedness and response to the epidemic. The index calculates vulnerability for 5 domains at state and district levels for 30 states, 6 union territories and 640 districts (as per census 2011 administrative boundaries). The 5 domains of vulnerability are: socio-economic, demographic, housing & hygiene condition, non-availability of health care and epidemiological. A number of districts in nine large states-Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Telangana, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Odisha, and Gujarat-located in every region of the country except the northeast, were found to have high overall vulnerability (index value more than 0.75). These states also had high vulnerability according to most of the five domains.



Map 1: Overall COVID-vulnerability index in states and union territories of India & number of confirmed COVID-19 cases as of June 17, 2020
Map 2: Overall COVID-vulnerability index in districts of India & number of confirmed COVID-19 cases as of June 17, 2020

Focus on adolescent sexual and reproductive health to help decision making in India

WHO and PC Institute collaborated to engage with district stakeholders (district health officials/program managers, adolescent sexual and reproductive health counselors, head of Rastriya Kishore Swasthya Karyakram (RKSK), and other stakeholders working on adolescent health and development) for their input on possible data sets for districts/sub-districts and identifying and exploring the availability of district-level datasets/reports. National and Sub-national data sources were identified, such as Census 2011, National family Health Survey (2015-16), Health Management Information Systems (2019-20), UDAYA study with adolescents in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, and the Zero and Low Parity Women (ZLPW) study in Bihar. Data sources were mapped to key indicators across 8 domains of: (i) Adolescents by Age And Sex, (ii) State Level Factors From UDAYA Study, (iii) Sexual And Reproductive Health, (iv) Nutrition And Health, (v) Social Deprivation, (vi) Program Coverage, (vii) Service Statistics, and (viii) Family Planning and related indicators.



Board of Directors



Dr Niranjana Saggurti, PhD, is a demographer, statistician, and public health researcher with more than 20 years of experience in program and policy-oriented research and evaluations. He specializes in sexual and reproductive health in India, and currently provides technical and strategic oversight to the Council's research, evaluation, and implementation science work. Previously, Dr Saggurti worked as a Senior Program Officer with the Measurement, Learning and Evaluation team at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Currently, he is on several core committees of the Indian government, including India FP2020, Ending PMTCT, RMNCAH Coalition; and is a technical advisor to several research-based non-profits in New Delhi. Dr Saggurti has published more than 150 papers in peer-reviewed journals, and has implemented numerous interventions, evaluated their effectiveness and sustainability.



Ms. Sujatha Rao is a former Union Secretary of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India. Ms. Rao has served as a civil servant for 36 years, out of which, she has spent two decades serving the health sector in different capacities the state and national level. Ms. Rao was Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee of the Global Fund for HIV/AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM) 2007-09; Member of the Global Advisory Panel of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; Founding member of the Public Health Foundation of India;

Member of the Advisory Board of the Ministerial Leadership Program of the Harvard School of Public Health and member of the High Level Panel on Global Risk Framework of the National Academy of Sciences, USA. An MPA from Harvard University, USA 1991-92, she was a Takemi Fellow at the Harvard School of Public Health 2001-2002 and Gro Harlem Brundtland Senior Leadership Fellow at HSPH in 2012. She is the author of the book entitled 'Do We Care? India's Health System'.



Anil Paul, a management graduate, is a result-oriented, seasoned corporate strategist and management professional. Paul has held senior management positions for over 30 years in the public and non-profit sectors. In addition to his board responsibilities, he serves as Director of Administration, Finance & Human Resources with Population Council, India. He has led the operations at the Population Council for over two decades and has provided leadership during major organizational changes and restructuring at the local level.





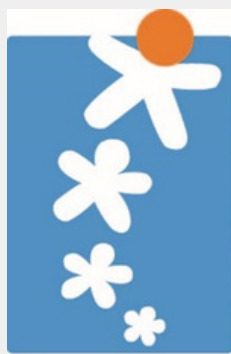
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Financial Accounts

POPULATION COUNCIL INSTITUTE
BALANCE SHEET As at 31st March 2022

(Amount in Thousand)

Particulars		Note No.	As at 31st March 2022	As at 31st March 2021
I. EQUITY AND LIABILITIES				
1 Shareholders' funds				
	(a) Corpus	1	78	78
	(b) Reserves and surplus	2	4,912	3,791
2 Current liabilities				
	(a) Short term loans		-	-
	(b) Trade payables		-	-
	(c) Other current liabilities	3	43	2,499
TOTAL			5,033	6,368
II. ASSETS				
Non-current assets				
1 Fixed assets				
	(i) Tangible assets	4	-	-
	(b) Long-term loans and advance		-	-
2 Current assets				
	(a) Investments		-	-
	(b) Cash and Bank Balances	5	4,808	6,171
	(c) Trade Receivables		-	-
	(d) Other current assets	6	225	147
	(e) Short-Term Loans and Advances	7	0	50
TOTAL			5,033	6,368

Notes forming part of the financial statements

This is the Balance Sheet referred to in our report of even date

For Mani Gupta & Associates
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POPULATION COUNCIL INSTITUTE
STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS For the year ended 31st March 2022

(Amount in Thousand)			
Particulars	Note No.	For the year ended 31st March 2022	For the year ended 31st March 2021
Revenue From Operations	8	3,042	6,848
Other income	9	151	109
Total Revenue		3,193	6,958
Expenses:			
- Project Implementation cost	10	1,897	3,115
- Depreciation and amortization expense		-	-
- Other expenses	11	36	22
-Administrative Expenses	12	140	136
-Financial Expenses		-	11
Total expenses		2,072	3,284
Profit before exceptional and extraordinary items and tax		1,121	3,674
- Exceptional items		-	-
Profit before extraordinary items and tax		1,121	3,674
- Extraordinary Items		-	-
Profit before tax		1,121	3,674
- Tax expense:			
(1) Current tax		-	-
(2) MAT Credit		-	-
Profit (Loss) for the year		1,121	3,674
Basic		-	-

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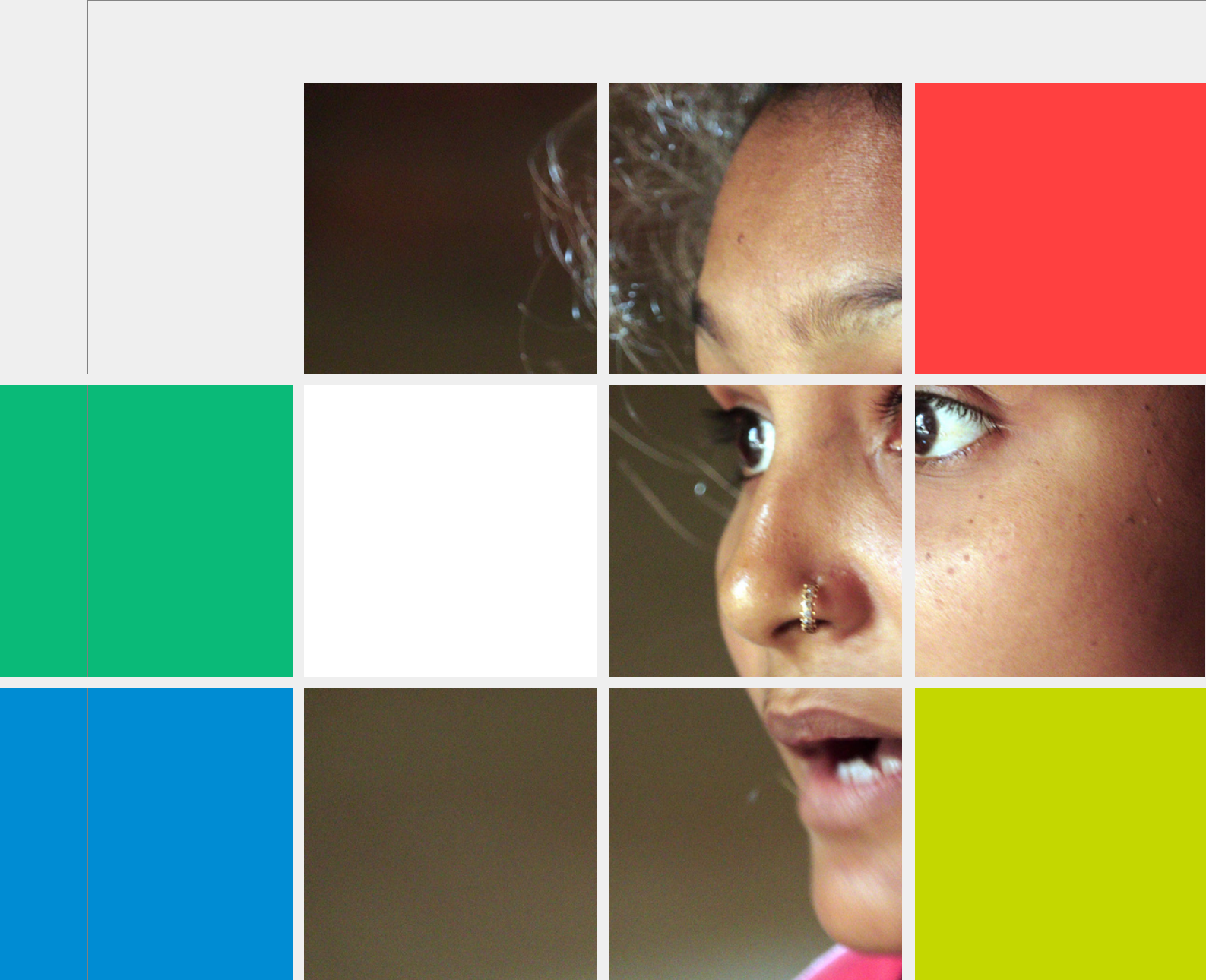
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