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# Magnitude and Outcome of Self Medication of Abortion Pills: Our Experience at a Tertiary Care Teaching Hospital

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#### **Abstracts**

**Introduction:** Medical end of pregnancy has been legitimized in India for more than 40 years, yet the greater part of all premature births are hazardous. Restorative fetus removal pill is well compelling in early long stretches of pregnancy. Despite all the control, it has been seen by the general public that, therapeutic premature births are to a great degree safe alternative. In any case, it is protected just when it is utilized under therapeutic supervision. Self-organization for fetus removal is exceptionally unsafe whenever disregarded or hid. Our investigation goes for discovering the extent and result of self-prescription of premature birth pills.

**Material and Method:** This is an imminent observational examination led in Institute Of Medical Science and SUM healing facility Bhubaneswar, Odisha from January 2017-December 2017. This investigation included aggregate 204 numbers of cases with a background marked by self prescription of mifepristone and misoprostol who exhibited to the clinic with some intricacy. The information was factually broke down.

**Results**: In our examination period, add up to 204 instances of ladies with a background marked by self-drug of restorative premature birth pill, presented to healing center with some intricacy. The most continuous complaintwas sporadic draining and held result of origination (54.9%). The dominant part of patients were inside the age gathering of 20-30 yrs (66.2%) and 55.39% cases were second gravida. 63.7% cases had taken deficient dose. Laparatomy was required in 5 cases (2.3%). Blood transfusion was required in 45 cases (22%). 68.6% cases required minor careful mediation like suction and clearing.

**Conclusions**: Medical fetus removal pill is a viable strategy for end of early pregnancy yet it is sheltered just on the off chance that it is taken under therapeutic supervision. Self prescription and over the counter (OTC) moving of these pills ought to be confined.

**Keyword:** restorative premature birth pill, self medicine, perilous fetus removal.

#### Introduction

Medicinal premature birth pills have changed the opportunity of lady in her choice for abortion<sup>(1)</sup>. Medical fetus removal implies the end of pregnancy with therapeutic fetus removal pills

(MAP) which is today exceedingly liked to careful techniques. In India 6.4 million premature births are performed yearly and 8-20% of every single maternal passing are because of dangerous fetus removal<sup>(2,3)</sup>. According to WHO hazardous

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premature birth is what isn't given through affirmed offices or potentially individual<sup>(4)</sup>. WHO-CCR in human proliferation, All India Institute of Medical Science in a joint effort with service of wellbeing and Family Welfare Govt of India and Indian Council Of Medical Research have arranged the rules for medicinal fetus removal in India. This rule advocates the utilization of combo-pack of 1 Tab Mifepristone (200mg) in addition to 4 tablets of Misoprostol(200µgm each) for end of pregnancy up to 63 days of gestation<sup>(5)</sup>. only enlisted restorative specialists (RMP) as endorsed by MTP act are approved to recommend MAP for therapeutic fetus removal. The RMP ought to approach a place affirmed by the Government for careful and crisis reinforcement if necessary. Regardless of every one of these rules MAP are generally being sold without therapeutic remedy by the scientist over the counter. Selfmedicine of these medications in India is on the ascent particularly in the rustic regions where access to restorative administrations is poor (6,7). Such unsupervised terminations can prompt unsafe impact on the soundness of ladies.

This investigation expects to discover the greatness of self admission of MAP, its efficacy, disadvantages and the elements that lead ladies to pick such hazardous strategies for fetus removal that can risk their wellbeing.

#### **Material and Methods**

This is an imminent observational examination led in Institute Of Medical Science and SUM clinic Bhubaneswar, Odisha from January 2015-December 2015. Total 204 cases were dissected in the investigation. The patients who accompanied entanglement after organization of MAP without any medicinal solution were incorporated into the examination. Point by point history with respect to demography, dose of medication consumption and gestational age at which MAP was taken were recorded. Every one of the cases was assessed for the explanation behind end and gripe at the season of affirmation. All patients were inspected and examined completely. Each case was overseen as

required. The information was broke down factually.

#### Result

Add up to number of 204 patients inside a time of one year was incorporated into our investigation. Greatest no of patients that is 135(66.2%) have a place with 20-30 years old gathering. just 14(6.8%) patients were unmarried.51.4% patients were beneath registration. Our statistic profile demonstrates 55.3% cases have a place with second gravida and the 109 cases (53.4%) took the MAP at 8-12wks of incubation.

Table 2 demonstrates lion's share of cases that is 63.7% (130) cases did not take the entire portion of the MAP. Table 3 demonstrates the fundamental gripe for which the patient announced and it uncovers that unpredictable draining and held results of origination is the most widely recognized introduction (54.9%). 4 cases announced with septicaemia.

3.9% cases did not react to the MAP. In the management(Table - 4) suction and departure was done in 140(68.6%) cases. 45 cases (22%) cases required blood transfusion. laparatomy was done in 4cases of ectopic pregnancy because of its burst after admission of MAP.

One patient required hysterectomy due to burst uterus.14.7% cases required recurrent therapeutic treatment.

Table-1 Demography

Demography	No. of Cases	Percentage
	(N=204)	(%)
Age		
<20 years	35	17.1
20-30 years	135	66.1
30-40 years	34	16.6
Marital status		
Married	190	93.1
Unmarried	14	6.8
Education		
Below matriculation	105	51.4
Matriculate and above	99	48.5
Gravida		
Gravida-1	62	30.3
Gravida-2	113	55.3
Gravida-3 and more	29	14.2
Gestational age		
<8wk	68	33.3
8-12wk	109	53.4
12wk	27	13.2

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Table-2 Dose of Map Taken

Dose	No. of Patients (N=204)	Percentage (%)
Complete dose	74	36.2
Incomplete dose	130	63.7

**Table-3** Presenting Complain

Complain	No. of Patients (N=204)	Percentage (%)
Irregular bleeding with retained products	112	54.9
Heavy bleeding	62	30.3
Pain abdomen	18	8.8
Signs of sepsis	4	1.9
Non expulsion of products of conception	8	3.9

Table-4 Management

Procedure	No. of Patients (N=204)	Percentage (%)
Suction evacuation	140	68.6
Blood transfusion	45	22.0
Repeat medical therapy	30	14.7
Laparotomy for ectopic	4	1.9
Hysterectomy for	1	0.4
rupture uterus		
Sepsis management	4	1.9

#### **Discussion**

In India MTP act was passed in 1971 to anticipate dangerous and illicit premature birth. Yet, even after quite a while there are risky abortions.2002 change to the MTP demonstration endorsed the utilization of consolidated mifepristone and misoprostol routine as lawful therapeutic strategy for end of early pregnancy. The rules for restorative premature birth in India have been set up by WHO – CCR in human proliferation, All India Institute of Medical Sciences as a team with Ministry of Health &family Welfare, Government of India and Indian chamber of Medical Research. (8)

Just the Obstetrician and gynecologist and enlisted therapeutic professional as characterized by MTP act, can recommend the MAP and the patients ought to have the capacity to comprehend the guidelines .The patient directing in regards to the development and necessity of surgery whenever required ought to be finished. Intensive clinical examination and examination is required before recommending the MAP.MAP. However, the principle issue with the MAP is that it is

accessible over the counter (OTC). The ladies of provincial region and uneducated patients are buying this pill over the counter and taking MAP with no medical supervision.

There were 204 numbers of cases in our examination out of which 51.4 % cases are underneath register Majority cases are hitched (93.1%).

In 13.2% cases MAP was utilized for premature birth after 12 wks of development.

The accessibility of MAP through scientific experts is extremely widespread in India. Studies propose that at whatever point there is an undesirable pregnancy, numerous ladies in India endeavor to end the pregnancy all alone, by acquiring MAP over the counter without a prescription<sup>(9)</sup>.

Most regular gripe for coming to doctor's facility was unpredictable draining and held result of origination (54.9%). Bleeding, sepsis, and medication disappointment were discovered more in ladies taking self medicine than with specialist's prescription<sup>(10,11,12)</sup>. Disastrous conditions like burst ectopic pregnancy, cracked uterus were additionally seen in our investigation in 1.9 and 0.4% cases separately.

Consequently restorative fetus removal needs strict cautiousness and quick access to medical help to control grimness and mortality.

#### Conclusions

This examination being led in a therapeutic school which is a tertiary dimension healing facility, the outcome reflects just a hint of a greater challenge. Substantial scale examines are required to evaluate the weight of the issue in the general public. However, this examination can mindful us with respect to the accidental self organization of misoprostol and mifepristone and its inconvenience. To limit this issue the patients and the scientific expert should realize that MAP ought to be utilized just under medicinal supervision.

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