**ASHA/JHA Guide:**

**SOCIO- DEMOGRAPHIC AND INTERVIEW INFORMATION:**

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| * 1. FGD ID:   2. FGD date:   3. FGD start time:   4. FGD end time: | * 1. Interviewer code:   2. Note taker code:   3. Group type |

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**OBSERVATION NOTES:**

**ASHA/JHA GUIDE:**

**Theme 1: weighing babies at hospital**

1. Do you weigh babies? If No, why?

Then in that case how do you obtain the information about baby’s weight? Probe: to know how and from whom, where they obtain that information

1. **Who actually weigh new-born babies?**
2. **If a baby is born in the hospital who weigh them? IF NOT \_ skip to them 2**

**Probe:**

* How many days / hours after birth you weigh such babies?
* And how frequently do you weigh babies?
* What machine do you use?
* Is it possible to weigh babies, within 24 hours after birth? Why not ( if not)
* What are the main reasons babies for not weighing babies within 24 hours?
* In general What difficulties do you face to weighing babies ?

**Theme 2: Home deliveries**

1. What are the circumstances under which women deliver at home?
2. Who conduct delivery at home: who ( e.g Dayi/ Aya, ANM etc) all involved? Are you called for home delivery? Your role in home delivery?
3. How do you come to know about home deliveries? Do you visit women who delivered at home? What exactly do you do when you visit such cases?
4. Do families allow you to weigh babies born at home?
5. **If a baby is born at home- who weight them ?**Do you weigh babies born at home? When?

**Probe:**

* How many days / hours after birth you weigh such babies?
* And how frequently do you weigh babies?
* What machine do you use?
* Is it possible to weigh home born babies, within 24 hours after birth? Why not ( if not)
* What are the main reasons babies for not weighing babies born at home?

1. What weight would a baby be considered small (low birth weight baby)?
2. What health problems can small babies have?
3. Why LBW babies are born? Probe for reasons
4. In the past one year, how many LBW babies were born in your area?

And how those babies were taken care? What happened to such babies?

**Theme 3: LBW Baby care**

**Home born LBW:**

1. If a baby born at home is less than 2000 gms ( LBW)- what do you? What info do you provide to family?
2. How LBW babies are cared at home? Are there any special care provided to such babies? **Probe:** Feeding, warmth?

Probe:

1. Do they give bath to such babies? How often?
2. Do they much such babies? How often, who massage? With what they masses ( learn about the oil and other things)
3. How such babies are feed? Who feed them? Probe: ask about breast feeding practices , particularly in case of LBW
4. If mothers face any problems to breast feed pre-term babies?

**Hospital Born LBW**

1. How LBW babies are care at your hospital? Are there any special care provided to such babies? **Probe:** Feeding, warmth?
2. Do they give bath to such babies? How often? What kind?
3. How such babies are feed? Who feed them? Probe: ask about breast feeding practices , particularly in case of LBW

**Them4 : Pre-team babies:**

1. Now I would like to ask about pre-term babies

* Why pre term deliveries happen?
* Where do they normally happen? At home? Or at hospital?
* What problems can babies born too early (pre-term) have?
* What care is actually provided early born (pre-term babies? **Probe:** Feeding, warmth?
* What are the challenges in providing care for early babies (pre-term?
* If mothers face any problems to breast feed pre-term babies?
* In the past one year how many such ( pre-term) babies were born in your area?

**Theme 5: feeding practices:**

1. Tell me about the existing baby feeding practices in this area

* What is the first thing they feed ( right after the birth)
* Is there any inhibition to feed colestrum?
* When do they start breast feeding? How long do they continue?
* When do they start giving alternative food-“ gutti”- other milk supplement? Who do they give such supplements?
* Do they feed water to small babies? How, when and why?
* What are the problems that mothers face to breast feed their babies? explain

**Theme 6: Experience with and reaction to KMC**

1. Have you ever heard of keeping a small or early baby close to mother’s body with the skin of the baby in contact with that of the mother?

**Probe:** Where? What did you hear? Do you know what this is called?

1. Do you know how it is done? For how long? Where?
2. Is it easy for mother to do it? Why? Why not?
3. What do you think are the benefits of keeping a baby like this?
4. Is this practice promoted in this area? **If yes: what were the challenges faced to bring it into practice?**

**If any respondent is unaware/partially aware about KMC then show picture and Explain KMC as outlined below**

**Theme 7: Reaction to KMC**

The woman in the picture has had a small baby (low birth weight). She is in hospital after delivery, she is keeping the baby close to her body with the skin of the baby in contact with that to her skin continuously in a day ( min one hour at stretch) to keep them warm. This helps in breastfeeding and for the overall growth and development of the baby. This practice is referred as Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC)

29. Do you think people in the community would approve of this practice?

30. Do you think this is something that could be promoted in this area? What challenges do you foresee to promote this?

31. Is it possible for you to ensure that it is practiced by mothers (after them being discharged from the hospital) of low birth weight babies? If yes, how? If no, why not?

32. Is it possible for you to refer mothers of Low birth weight babies to the nearest facility to initiate KMC practice? What challenges to you foresee to do that?

33. Have you undergone any training regarding this practice? Please give details (when, where, who trained etc.)

34. Would you be interested to undergo training regrading KMC?

35. We want to give this practice a name that people will easily understand, what would you call this? What about ‘LOCAL TERM’?.

**Theme 8: Site specific questions on identification and referral (CHWs)**

1. How do you know a baby has been delivered? On which day do they usually find out?
2. How often do you makes visits after delivery?
3. How many times do you make home visits after the discharge (post-delivery)? What problems do you face during those visits?
4. For what reasons would a newborn be referred to a facility? What is the referral process? How well does the referral system work?
5. Explain the referral process followed particularly for small/Low birth weight babies?

**Theme 9: Site specific questions related to optimizing the planned interventions**

**Birth Planning:**

1. How people in this area plan for child birth? Probe:

* How do they decide which facility to go/ not go,
* Who (ASHA, JHA and other health workers) do they consult?
* Scanning: how many time and where?
* How many children do they want? – **{ pay attention to know if gender and related issues influence in this case}**

**High risk pregnancies:**

1. What according to you is a high risk pregnancy? How do you identify women in high risk pregnancy?
2. What services/ care do you provided to such cases?

**STAFF NURSE (SNCU) GUIDE:**

**Theme 1: Care of small and early babies**

1. How many LBWs were admitted in past one month? Currently how many LBWs are there in SNCU?
2. What protocols do you follow to admit babies in SNCU?
3. What protocols do you follow to discharge babies from SNCU?
4. Do you weigh babies? Please explain the process of weighing babies

* How frequently you weigh babies?
* What machine do you use?
* What challenges associated with weighing babies?
* Under what weight would a baby be considered small (low birth weight baby)?

1. What care is actually provided within facilities (SNCU) for small babies? **Probe:** Feeding, warmth?
2. What are the challenges in providing care for small babies?
3. How about early/ pre-term babies? What care is actually provided in facilities for early born (pre-term)? **Probe:** Feeding, warmth?
4. Where does mothers stay (which ward) when babies are in SNCU?
5. Are there any protocols for mothers to see their babies in SNCU?
6. Who from the family stay with the baby and new mother?
7. How families respond to the care that is being provided (at the facility) to small babies?
8. Who do you handover babies while discharging babies? Who (doctor, nurse) from facility are present while babies are being discharged?

**Probe:**

* Who else other than mother is usually present? **Probe** to know ASHA is present!
* What advice is provided to family while handing over?

**Theme 2: Breast feeding practices:**

1. What challenges mothers face to breast feed small babies?
2. Who in SNCU provide support to the mothers to breast feed babies?
3. What according to you are the challenges associated with the breastfeeding?
4. How often babies are breastfed? And where? **Probe** to know if mothers are allowed/not allowed in SNCU?

**Theme 3: Experience with and reaction to KMC**

1. Have you ever heard of keeping a small or early baby close to mother’s body with the skin of the baby in contact with that of the mother? **Probe:** Where? What did you hear? Do you know what this is called?
2. Do you know how it is done? For how long? Where?
3. Is it easy to do it? Why? Why not?
4. What do you think are the benefits of keeping a baby like this in the facility?
5. What do you think are the problems to ensure this is practiced in this facility?

* **Probe to** learn problems for the baby, mother, and nurse ( health worker)

1. Is this practiced in this facility? **If yes:** have there been any challenges? How to overcome these challenges?
2. Do you think we can be ensured that this practice continues at home after being discharged from the facility?
3. Have you undergone any training regarding this practice? Please give details ( when, where, who trained etc)
4. Do you think PHCs and CHCs have the required expertise/experience and logistics to implement this practice in this area? **Probe:** Training, space, equipment, time, supervision, administrative support etc.
5. We want to give this practice a name that people will easily understand, what would you call this? What about ‘LOCAL TERM?’.

**Theme 4: Site specific questions related to optimizing the planned interventions**

**Birth Planning:**

27. How people in this area plan for child birth? **Probe:**

* Which facility to go/ not go,
* Who (health care workers) to consult?
* Where to go for scanning
* How many children do they want? – **{ pay attention to gender and related issues}**

**High risk pregnancies:**

28. What according to you is a high risk pregnancy? How high risk pregnancies are identified? Who does that work

1. Why LNW babies are born ( know reasons)?
2. Why pre-term deliveries happen?

**Home deliveries**

1. What are the circumstances under which women deliver at home?
2. Who conduct delivery at home: who ( e.g Dayi/ Aya, ANM etc) all involved? Are you called for home delivery? Your role in home delivery?
3. Are you aware of any home deliveries where pre-term babies were born?
4. Did you come across any case where a woman delivered at home has given birth to a LBW baby?