

## **Trends of Mortality Indicators in Nagaland: A Time Series Analysis**

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**ABSTRACT** Health is one of the vital aspects of human life. In the present modernized era, people are more conscious about their health. Since the last 62 years after independence, India has developed significantly in the health sector and as a result the country succeeded in many ways in controlling various diseases. Nagaland, being a poor tribal hill state also succeeded in many ways in controlling infant mortality rate, birth rate, death rate etc. Basic objective of the present study is to study the trend of infant mortality rate, birth rate and death rate in relation to various factors associated with their changes in Nagaland in comparison to the country as a whole, mostly during the period 1997-2008. This study is based entirely on secondary data. Infant mortality rate in Nagaland showed an increase over the years as against a declining trend seen in the country. However, infant mortality rate was recorded a bit low in Nagaland as compared to the rest of the country. Increase in infant mortality rate was reported in Nagaland mostly because of improper and unhygienic delivery at home for most of the cases. The percentage of pregnant women who received all types of care, pre and post natal, in Nagaland was recorded the lowest among the North Eastern States.