# The prevalence of hypertension and pattern of associated Cardiovascular and Metabolic risk factors in rural people of Bangladesh 

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#### Abstract

Objective: In this study our main goal is to evaluate the prevalence of hypertension and pattern of associated Cardiovascular and Metabolic risk factors in rural people of Bangladesh. Method: This cross-sectional study was carried out at tertiary medical college and hospital from July 2019 to June 2020. A total of 100 who screened for hypertension according to JNC-7 (systolic blood pressure e" 140 mmHg and diastolic blood pressure e" 90 mmHg or taking antihypertensive medications considered for the study population. Sample were collected through purposive sampling as per inclusion criteria. Results: During the study, newly detected cases of HTN was $10 \%$ followed by $90 \%$ were known cases, control HTN were $62 \%$, uncontrolled HTN was $11 \%$ and $5 \%$ were systolic HTN. According to ECG, $75 \%$ had myocardial ischemia and $25 \%$ cases had old MI. $50 \%$ cases belong to overweight group followed by $40 \%$ cases had normal BMI, . $20 \%$ cases were under weight, $9.8 \%$ were obese. Also, strong correlation observed among IHD and raised LDL; 0.002, low LDL; 0.001, over weight; 0.002, incidence of DM; 0.001 .

Conclusion: From our result we can conclude that, the decreased levels of risk variables identified in this study mean that primary preventive actions are a success. However, medical examination standards needs to be updated for detection of obesity and altered level of glycemic status and lipid profile.


Keywords: Hypertension (HTN), cardiovascular diseases, lipid profiles.

## Introduction

Hypertension is one of the most important NCDs in the world, which leads substantially to cardiovascular disorder (CVD), heavy stroke,
renal failure, and early mortality. ${ }^{1-3}$ It is also characterized as the global burden of disease and rated 3rd in a disability-adjusted life-years (DALYs). ${ }^{4}$

Almost 17 million fatalities have taken place globally as a result of CVDs, 9.4 million fatalities are caused by hypertension alone and $80 \%$ of fatalities associated with CVD in the developing world, according to the World Health Organization (WHO). ${ }^{5-7}$
The worldwide hypertension prevalence is anticipated to rise by 2025 from $26 \%$ in 2000 to $29,2 \%$, which is predicted to represent over $29 \%$ of the world population. ${ }^{5}$ Though in wealthy nations, high blood pressure is more widespread, its prevalence increases in low- and middleincome nations (LMIC). ${ }^{8}$ Asian countries are suffering an ever-growing hypertension burden, including CVDs, especially in Southeast Asia. ${ }^{9-11}$ Hypertensive diseases, which affect over 35 percent of adult populations, have become a major problem for health in the Asian area, says the WHO. ${ }^{12}$
First reported in 1976 was HTN prevalence as $1.10 \%$. ${ }^{13}$ The prevalence of HTN, as $11.3 \%$, $18.6 \%$ and $20.1 \%$, was shown in one metaanalysis, population-based investigation, and a recently published survey. In Bangladesh the resulting illnesses, which equate to 9,6 million persons aged 25 years or older, represent $7 \%$ of fatalities. ${ }^{14}$

## Objective

- To assess the prevalence of hypertension and pattern of associated Cardiovascular and Metabolic risk factors in rural people Bangladesh.


## Methodology

Types of study: It was a cross-sectional study.
Place and period of the study: The study place was carried out at Tertiary medical College Hospital, Bangladesh. Where data were collected from July 2019 to June 2020.
Study Population: A total of 100 who screened for hypertension according to JNC-7 (systolic blood pressure e" 140 mmHg and diastolic blood pressure e" 90 mmHg or taking antihypertensive medications considered for the study population. Sample were collected through purposive sampling as per inclusion criteria.
Method: Both qualitative and quantitative (Mixed Method) data were collected by using a pre designed questionnaire. The questionnaire was prepared reviewing literature and consulting with medical research experts.
Data Analysis: All collected data were coding and input in SPSS-25 for further analysis. Both descriptive and inferential statistics done. Descriptive statistics included frequency distribution, percent, mean, standard deviation; graph, tables, figures and inferential statistics.

## Results

In table-1 shows age distribution of the patients where most of the patients belong to 36-56 years age group $50 \%$, followed by $45 \%$ cases belong to 15-35 years age group, $6.5 \%$ cases belong to 5777 years age group and $1.5 \%$ cases belong to >77years age group. The following table is given below in detail:

Table-1: Age distribution of the patients

| Age group | \% |
| :--- | :---: |
| 15-35 years | 45 |
| 36-56 years | 50 |
| 57-77 years | 6.5 |
| >77 years | 1.5 |
| Total | 100.0 |

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In figure-1 shows gender distribution of the patients where maximum patients were male. The following figure is given below:


Figure-1: Gender distribution of the patients

In table-2 shows distribution of the patients according to prevalence of hypertension (HTN) where newly detected cases of HTN was $10 \%$ followed by $90 \%$ were known cases, control HTN
were $62 \%$, uncontrolled HTN was $11 \%$ and $5 \%$ were systolic HTN. The following table is given below in detail:

Table-2: Distribution of the patients according to prevalence of hypertension (HTN)

| HTN | \% |
| :--- | :---: |
| Newly detected HTN | $10 \%$ |
| Known case of HTN | $90 \%$ |
| Controlled HTN | $62 \%$ |
| Uncontrolled HTN | $11 \%$ |
| Systolic HTN | $5 \%$ |

Multiple response was observed.

In table-3 shows distribution of ischemic heart disease according to ECG, $75 \%$ had myocardial
ischemia and $25 \%$ cases had old MI. The following table is given below in detail:

Table-3: Distribution of ischemic heart disease according to ECG where according to ECG

| ECG | HTN group |
| :--- | :---: |
| Myocardial Ischemia | $75 \%$ |
| Old MI | $25 \%$ |

In figure-2 shows distribution of patients according to BMI where $50 \%$ cases belong to overweight group followed by $40 \%$ cases had
normal BMI, $.20 \%$ cases were under weight, $9.8 \%$ were obese. The following figure is given below in detail:

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Figure-2: Distribution of patients according to BMI.

In figure-3 shows distribution of the patients according to hypertension where $45 \%$ had stage- 1
hypertension and $55 \%$ had stage- 2 hypertension. The following figure is given below in detail:


Figure-3: Distribution of the patients according to hypertension

In table-3 shows distribution of the patients according to lipid profile and glycemic status where $50 \%$ had raised LDL and $58 \%$ had low

HDL. $61 \%$ had DM. The following table is given below in detail:

Table-3: Distribution of the patients according to lipid profile and glycemic status

| Lipid profile | \% |
| :--- | :---: |
| Raised LDL | $\mathbf{5 0 \%}$ |
| Low HDL | $\mathbf{5 8 \%}$ |
| Raised TG | $\mathbf{4 2 \%}$ |
| Glycemic status | $\mathbf{\%}$ |
| DM | $\mathbf{6 1 \%}$ |
| Impaired glucose tolerance (IGT) | $\mathbf{1 8 \%}$ |
| Impaired fasting glycemia (IFG) | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ |

In table-4 shows correlation among risk factors of IHD where there was a strong correlation was observed among IHD and raised LDL; 0.002, low

LDL; 0.001 , over weight; 0.002 , incidence of DM; 0.001 . The following table is given below in detail:

Table-4: Correlation among risk factors of IHD

| Risk factors | P value |
| :--- | :---: |
| Family H/o IHD positive | 0.004 |
| Gender: |  |
| Male | 0.005 |
| Female | 0.001 |
| DM | 0.001 |
| Overweight | 0.002 |
| Tobacco Consumption | .506 |
| Smoking | .320 |
| Raised LDL | 0.002 |
| Low HDL | 0.001 |
| Raised TG | 0.201 |

## Discussion

High cholesterol prevalence ( $0.6 \%$ versus $1.3 \%$ ) was substantially lower than projections in one research. ${ }^{15}$ We observed that $50 \%$ had increased LDL and $58 \%$ had reduced HDL in our research. $61 \%$ had high blood glucose fasting levels.
One research shows significant prevalence of CVD risk factors such as smoking (17.9\%), preobese ( $29.9 \%$ ) and pre-hypertension Data of the southern portion of the nation (79.9 percent). This study shows low prevalence of pre-obesity ( $15.2 \%$ ), increased hypertension in stage 1 and stage 2 ( $39.2 \%, 26.8 \%$ and $26.8 \%$ respectively), as well as smoking ( $8.8 \%$ ). ${ }^{16-17}$
In both research studies, the reasons for increased prevalence for pre-obesity and distinct hypertension categories compared to the current study may have happened as various age groups are explored. Study in India showed that hyper cholesterol and pre-hypertension and hypertension were greater in percentage compared to this study. Living and lifestyle disease are both CVDs. Around one-third of the people serving in the military services are in age groups ( $>30$ years), who are more likely to acquire CVDs. ${ }^{17}$
In our research individuals of the same age group, pre-obese, high lipid profile level and hypertension status have been detected. The significant burden of pre-obese condition underscores the need for an overview, as proposed
for Asians by BMI for determining obesities, of the optimal weight for age parameters employed in the military. The IHD and elevated LDL have shown a strong link; 0.002, low LDL; 0.001 excess weight; 0.002 , incidence of DM; 0.001 .
Most of these disorders remain concealed and are not discovered until catastrophic occurrences such as acute coronary syndrome, stroke etc. arise. The immense burden of CVD risk requires frequent public health monitoring of the CVD risk factor instead of opportunistic screening.

## Conclusion

From our result we can conclude that, the decreased levels of risk variables identified in this study mean that primary preventive actions are a success. However, situations such as pre-obesity, a relatively altered level of lipid profile and glycemic status require insights into medical examination standards, with revisions to obesity and hypertension recommendations aimed at tackling the disease in the bud.

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