

Box 1: Fistula Module questions asked in the 2018 NDHS data

S/N	Questions	Denominator
1.	Sometimes a woman can have a problem of constant leakage of urine or stool from her vagina during the day and night. This problem usually occurs after a difficult childbirth but may also occur after a sexual assault or after pelvic surgery. Have you ever experienced a constant leakage of urine or stool from your vagina during the day and night?	No=26535 Yes=50 N=26585
2.	Have you ever heard of this problem?	Yes=13469 No=13066 N=26535
3.	Did this problem start after you delivered a baby or had a stillbirth	50
4.	Did this problem start after a normal labor and delivery, or after a very difficult labor and delivery?	40
5.	What do you think caused this problem?	10
6.	How many days after (cause of problem from 3 or 5) did this leakage start?	45
7.	How old were you when you experienced this problem?	50
8.	Have you sought treatment for this condition?	50
9.	Why have you not sought treatment?	Nil
10.	From whom did you last seek treatment?	41
11.	Did you have an operation to fix the problem?	41
12.	Did the treatment stop the leakage completely? IF NO: did the treatment reduce the leakage?	41
13.	Are there any (other) women in your household who suffer from obstetric fistula?	Nil
14.	How many (other) women in your household suffer from obstetric fistula?	No observation

Questions 1, 3-14 were answered by participants that had experienced vaginal fistula; **Question 2** was answered by all women