

Additional file1. Historical information on intrapartum stillbirths, neonatal deaths, Apgar scores at 5 minutes and BA birth asphyxia

Source	Year	Total No: studied	Intra Partum Stillbirths	Neonatal deaths	Apgar at 5 minutes 1-2	Apgar at 5 Minutes 3-4	Apgar at 5 Minutes 5-6	Apgar at 5 Minutes 7 or more
This current program in Liberia	2024	6444	12 0.19%	31 0.48%	16 0.25%	43 0.67%	149 2.3%	6217
Lori et al Liberia [21]	2014	1656	37 2.23%	53 3.20%	17 Ap <4 at 5 min 1.03%			
Anokye Ghana [24]	2019	200	12 6.0%			27 13%		101 51%
Ugwu Nigeria [3]	2012	864		229 26.5%	250 Severe BA 28.9%	269 Moderate BA 31.1%	321 Mild BA 37.2%	
Yisma [25] Ethiopia	2013	420	13 3.10%		57 13.6%			
Ashish Nepal [26]	2016	4476	136 0.53%					
Getachew Ethiopia [27]	2020	348			40 BA 11.5%			
Ersdal [6] Tanzania	2012	5845	93 1.59%	56 of 5689 neonates died within 24 hours 0.9%				
Zbelo. [13] Lesotho	2024	55 without FHM 55 with FHM	9 16.4% 1 1.8%	5 9.1% 1 1.8%	6 10.9% 1 1.8%			42 76.4% 52. 94.5%

The rates of intrapartum stillbirths in the patients monitored as part of our programme 0.19% (Table 2) and neonatal deaths 0.48% (Table 3) are far lower than those reported in a previous study from Liberia [21] and in other low resource countries. A lower prevalence of birth asphyxia is also reported in our study

