



Fact Sheet: COTPA Compliance Status in Amritsar

Objective: To assess and measure level of compliance to various provisions of COTPA, a robust survey using scientific protocols was conducted by School of Public Health, PGIMER, Chandigarh in collaboration with Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Punjab and The Union South-East Asia (The Union) in February-March, 2016 in district Amritsar covering both urban and rural areas of the district.

Study Design: A cross sectional quantitative study

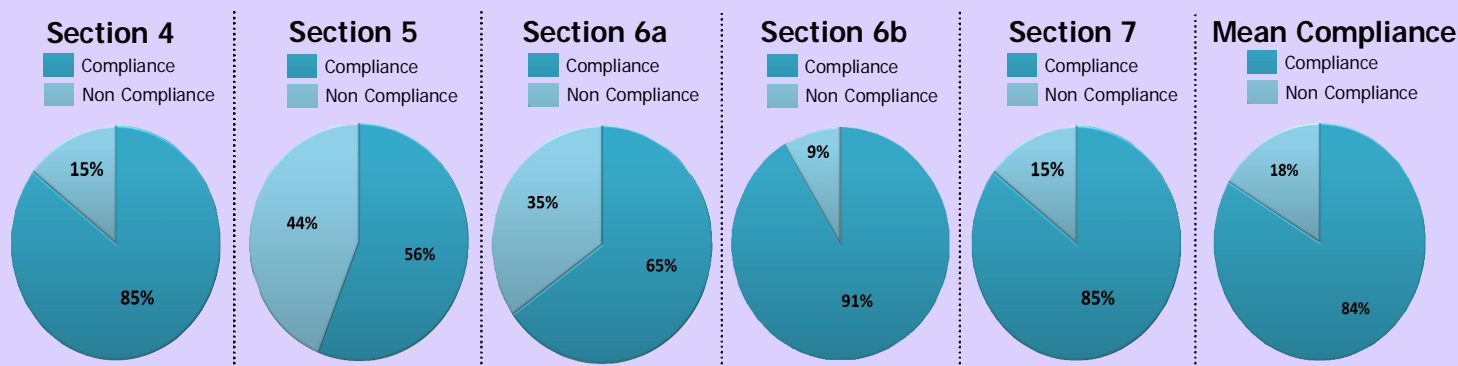
Study Period: Two months (February-March, 2016)

Mean Compliance of District Amritsar

Sections	Mean Compliance
Section 4 of COTPA (Smoke Free)	84.7%
Section 5 of COTPA (Ban on TAPS)	55.7%
Section 6a of COTPA (Prohibition on Sale to and by minors)	65.3%
Section 6b of COTPA (Prohibition of Sale around Educational Institution)	79.1%
Section 7, 8 & 9 of COTPA (Display of PHW)	84.7%
Mean Compliance	83.9%

Places Visited

Sections	Samples
Section 4 of COTPA (Smoke Free)	160
Section 5 of COTPA (Ban on TAPS)	70
Section 6a of COTPA (Prohibition on Sale to and by minors)	70
Section 6b of COTPA (Prohibition of Sale around Educational Institution)	32
Section 7, 8 & 9 of COTPA (Display of PHW)	269



Observation: These observations validate that District Amritsar in Punjab enforced various provisions of COTPA achieving high level of compliance but It could not become High COTPA Compliant District. High COTPA Compliance District means the district where over 75% compliance with respect to mean of major compliance indicators for every sections of COTPA. There is a need to further strengthen enforcement of Section 5, 6a. It is recommended that efforts need to be done through enforcement by all departments, awareness building, multi-stakeholder engagement and monitoring to ensure that Amritsar progresses to become High COTPA Compliant in future.

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