APPENDICES I

INTERVIEW GUIDE
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Meta-narratives of HIV positive intra-venous drug users from Manipur: catharsis for intervention-an anthropological analysis

(The data procured will be used in Ph.D. thesis only and keep confidential at every stage of the research)

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Code No.: Sex: Age: Marital status:

No. of family members:

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Community:

Address: 1. Place of birth:

2. Place of residence:

Section-I (Early life/Personal/Social activities)

1. Would you narrate to me in detail about various social gatherings in your society that involves community participation?

2. Are you an enthusiastic participant in social activities involving many people?

3. What would you prefer—celebrating with a small group of friends or in large?
4. How would you describe your relations with others-
   a) very friendly
   b) friendly
   c) indifferent
   d) any other

5. What customs, rituals or traditions in your opinion require some kind of progressive transformation in your community?
   a) Marriage
   b) Group living culture of the youths
   c) Taboos
   d) Ritual ceremonies

6. Describe the nature of that 'progressive transformation'?

7. How do you describe the prevalent social norms/traditions/cultural practices?
   a) Prohibitive
   b) encouraging
   c) restrictive in your community
   d) any other

8. Do you use drugs in any social functions?

9. Do you use drugs in any celebration?

10. What is the mostly likely punishment for drug users in the society?

11. Have you ever stolen things to buy drugs?

12. What are the means of time pass in those days?
   a) Games
   b) Roaming with friends
   c) Helping domestic work
   d) Engaging in study

13. How did you celebrate any festival?
   a) With friends
   b) Using drugs
   c) Drinks
   d) With the family

14. Did you think that you were the most privileged class of people in those days?

15. Do you think youth are prone to drug addiction in your society?
Section-II (Peers and Family)

Sub-section-Peers

16. Do you think competition with your peers have led you to addiction?

17. Do you have faith in God?

18. How do you describe your relations with your sibling?

19. How many friends you had in your teens?
   a) 1
   b) 2-5
   c) 5-15
   d) 15 and more

20. How will you rate yourself as a student?
   a) Good
   b) Average
   c) Naughty
   d) Popular

21. Can you recollect for me, when you went on your first date?

22. Was that an everlasting relationship that resulted in marriage or life long companionship? If not, then how did you cope up with your first heart break?

23. What was your response towards the other sex, often your initial love life went into loop?

24. Narrate to me in detail your peer group activities at school/college?

25. What all places did you frequent with your friends?

26. What have you learnt from your friends?

Sub-section-II (Family)

27. Did you ever talk to your father under the influence of drugs?

28. How will you rate your family
   a. Happy family
   b. Good
   c. Average
   d. Always in trouble
29. How would you describe your relations with your parents?
30. Which member of your family, you feel you are most close to? Are you married? If married I understand most marriages in your society are self-arranged how you would describe your relation with your spouse?
31. Did you ever experience any family feud?
   a. Divorce
   b. Quarrel
   c. Shame
   d. Financial bankrupt
32. Do you think that the parents were not responsive to your needs and demands during your teens?
33. Were you ever confronted or made to feel guilty within the family?
34. Where you burdened aspiring/struggling to meet your parent’s expectations? How often you share your problems with your parents in those days?
35. How often you talk to your father or mother for your demands?
36. Did your father or any other in your family take drinks?

Section-III (Impact of media/other sources of mass entertainment)

37. Did you ever say no to drugs?
38. Did your friends insist while you wanted to leave the habit?
39. Did you find it difficult to stop drug use due to your lifestyle/company/peer pressure/blackmail?
40. How frequent were attempts to get out of the habit?
41. What did you do to keep yourself occupied, so that you do not feel/ urge to take your regular drugs?
42. When did you realize that you cannot do without your regular intake of drugs?
43. Were you ever punished for using any other Nisa (other forms of stimulants other than Heroin in Manipur) than drugs?
44. How many people/persons of your age in your locality used drugs in the form of injection/chasing?
Section-IV (Drug Use/Addiction)

45. When did you first use needle/syringe for injection of drugs?
   a) 10 years ago
   b) 5 years ago
   c) 3-2 years ago
   d) Recently

46. Who introduced you to drugs?
   a) Friends
   b) Elders
   c) Stranger
   d) Relatives

47. When did you start using drugs?
   a) At the age of 14
   b) At the age of 14-17
   c) At the age of 17-21
   d) At the age of 21-15

48. How did you get infection-
   a. Through injection of drugs
   b. Through sexual contact with sex worker/infected partner
   c. Through contaminated blood transfusion
   d. Through MTCT

49. How often did you share your syringe while injection of drugs?
   a. Once
   b. 2-5 times
   c. Often
   d. Never

50. Do you think that drug addiction have any relation with love/romance?

51. What was the role of mass media/entertainment/TV/fashion/luxury/show off in your drug addiction?

52. What had prompted you to addiction?
   a. Group living lifestyle
   b. Competition
   c. Love/romance
   d. Depression
53. Where did you first start using drugs?
   a. School
   b. College
   c. Social gathering
   d. Public place
54. What had prompted you to use it?
55. Was there any formal initiation that got you involved with drug practices? How many people got injected at that time?
56. Can you recollect, you’re experienced on that day?
57. Do you recollect that as a special day in your life?
58. Can you still remember the first day you had drugs, any fond memories of it?
59. How often you used drugs then and thereafter?
60. After your first experience, do you recollect ever having experienced a feeling of guilt, remorse, regret?
61. Did you convince yourself before experiencing for the first time that you were doing it just for fun and you having so much control on yourself?
62. When did you find DRUG most enjoyable?

Section –V (Procurement Practices)
63. Where did you get money for buying drugs?
64. Who give you the money?
65. What kind of pretext that you took money from your parents?
66. How often you earn money for yourself?
67. Which occasion you find the use of drugs most favorable?
   a. Festival celebrations
   b. Party
   c. Dating
   d. Alone
   e. Any other
(INTERVIEW GUIDE: Parents/family/siblings of the IDUs)

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Name:
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Age:
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No. of family members:
Community: ST/SC/General
Occupation:
Address:
Educational Qualification:
Family income:

1. Did you fulfill all the demands made by your children?
2. How often you give money to him?
3. Did you keep a close look on his friend circle?
4. Did you ever check the time they return home?
5. Did you keep a watch on his behavior change and performance in the school?
6. How often you spend time with your children?
7. Did you try to make a good relationship with your children?
8. Did you set any academic/personal goal for your children?
9. Do you encourage him to perform well in academics?
10. Do you think the educated mothers can give more awareness to children?
11. When did you know that your child is using drugs?
12. What initiatives you did to stop him?
13. Have you ever taken the help of counselors to de-addict him/her?
14. Did you discuss such matters with your relatives and friends?
15. Did you ever talk to his friends to stop using drugs?
(INTERVIEW GUIDE: NGO functionaries)

Performa No................ Date:
Date of registration:
Name of the NGO/Institution:
Designation:
Location of the NGO/Institution:
Educational Qualification:
1. Major area of work:
2. Who are your clients?
3. What sort of information you give to them?
4. What are the age groups of your clients?
5. How many of your clients have overcome drug addiction?
6. Do you think that there is a relationship between drug addiction and the socio-economic background of the drug users?
7. Do they come for help on their own?
8. Are you able to achieve your targets?
9. Which personality trait of your clients you give more emphasis to stop drug use?
10. How many of them had succeeded in their attempt?
11. What are the areas of difficulties in counseling?

INTERVIEW GUIDE: Manipur AIDS Control Society / NGO counselor

Performa No............... Date:
Name:
Sex:
Age:
Designation:
Address:
Qualification:

1. What are the objectives of the Manipur Aids Control Society?
2. Where do you get funding?
3. Are you able to manage with the funds available?
4. How far do you meet your objectives?
5. What are the strategies for prevention and care of HIV/AIDS?
6. Do you think there is socio-economic implication in your programme implementation?
7. How many NGO are incorporating in prevention and care work?
8. Do you think the socio-economic background of the person is crucial in pursuing control/management of HIV/AIDS?
9. What is the rate of infection of HIV in the state?
10. What are the approaches you do for prevention?

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