

Survey on Consumer Awareness of Nutrition, Food Safety and Hygiene during COVID-19

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Objectives:

- To assess the knowledge of basic nutrition, cooking best practices, food safety and hygiene principles of a sample of the country that will be representative of different:
 - Districts of the country as well as nationally
 - · Age groups and stages of the life cycle
 - Gender
 - Socio economic groups
- 2. To compare knowledge levels to a simple assessment of people's dietary practices, nutritional behavior and status, and overall health.
- 3. To identify factors associated with different levels of knowledge and awareness.
- 4. Changes of hygiene behavior due to COVID-19 in different settings of Bangladesh

Methodology: A cross sectional study design will be followed to conduct the study.

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