

Immunization

A2 : Immunization Schedule

Table 4.1: National Immunization Schedule

Age	Vaccination schedule after Td introduction
At birth	BCG, OPV-zero dose, Hep B-birth dose
6 weeks	OPV-1, Pentavalent-1, Rota-1, fIPV-1, PCV-1
10 weeks	OPV-2, Pentavalent-2, Rota-2
14 weeks	OPV-3, Pentavalent-3, Rota-3, fIPV-2, PCV-2
9 months	Measles-1/MR-1, Vit A, JE-1*, PCV-B
16-24 months	DPT first booster dose, OPV-booster dose, Measles-2/ MR-2, JE-2*
5-6 years	DPT second booster dose
10 & 16 years	Td
For pregnant woman	Td-1 : early in pregnancy Td-2 : 4 weeks after Td-1 Td-B: if pregnancy occur within 3 years of last pregnancy and 2 Td doses were received

Immunization of Pregnant women/ mother against Tetanus and Diphtheria:

The use of Td is recommended during pregnancy to protect against maternal and neonatal tetanus & diphtheria during prenatal care. Vaccination during pregnancy also serves to boost immunity and increase the duration of protection to those pregnant women who had not received the full set of recommended booster doses.

Tetanus Toxoid (TT) vaccine has been replaced with Tetanus and adult diphtheria (Td) vaccine. Diseases like Tetanus and diphtheria can lead to hospitalizations or even cause death. The use of Td rather TT is recommended during pregnancy to protect against maternal and neonatal tetanus & diphtheria during prenatal care.

A pregnant woman is said to be fully immunized for Td, if she gets Td during her ANC visits (Td-1: early in pregnancy, Td-2: 4 weeks