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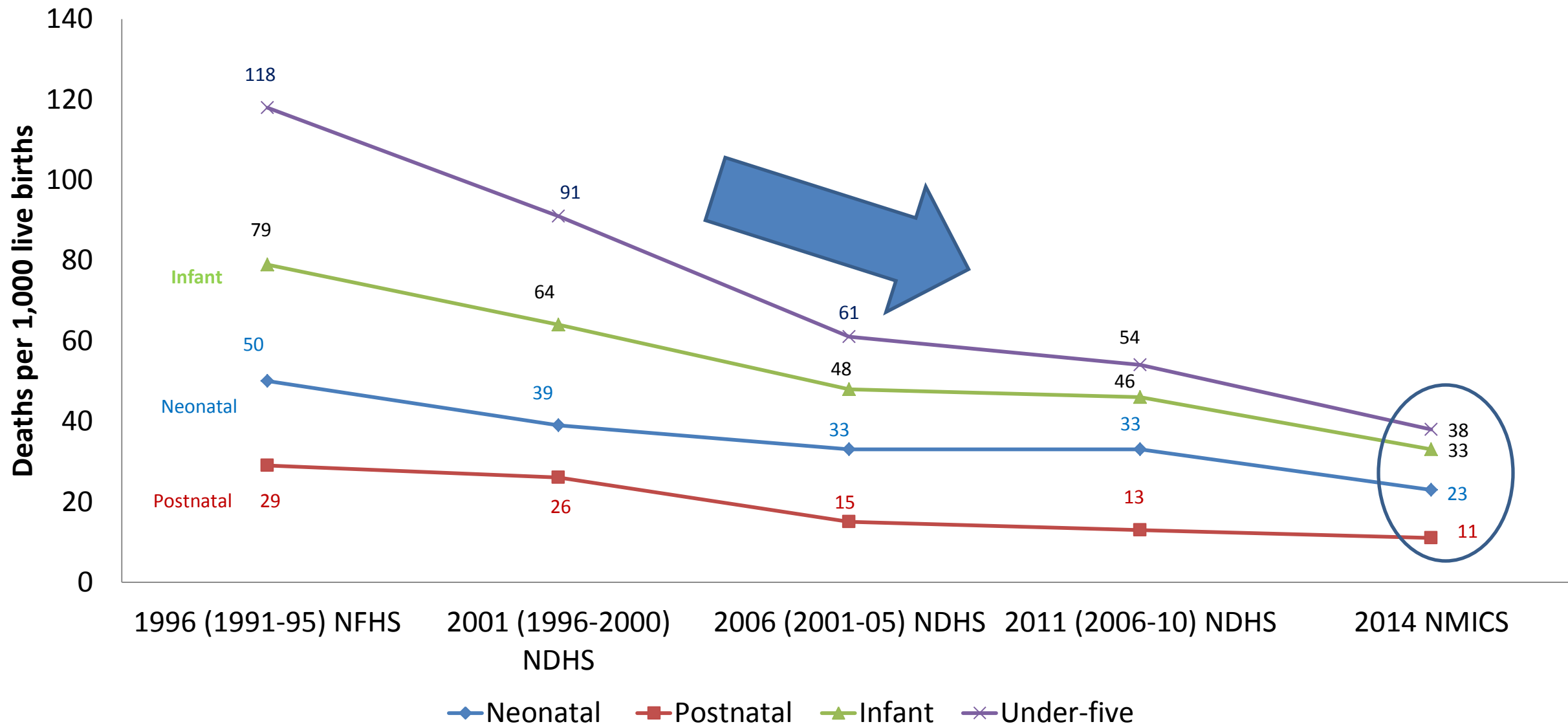
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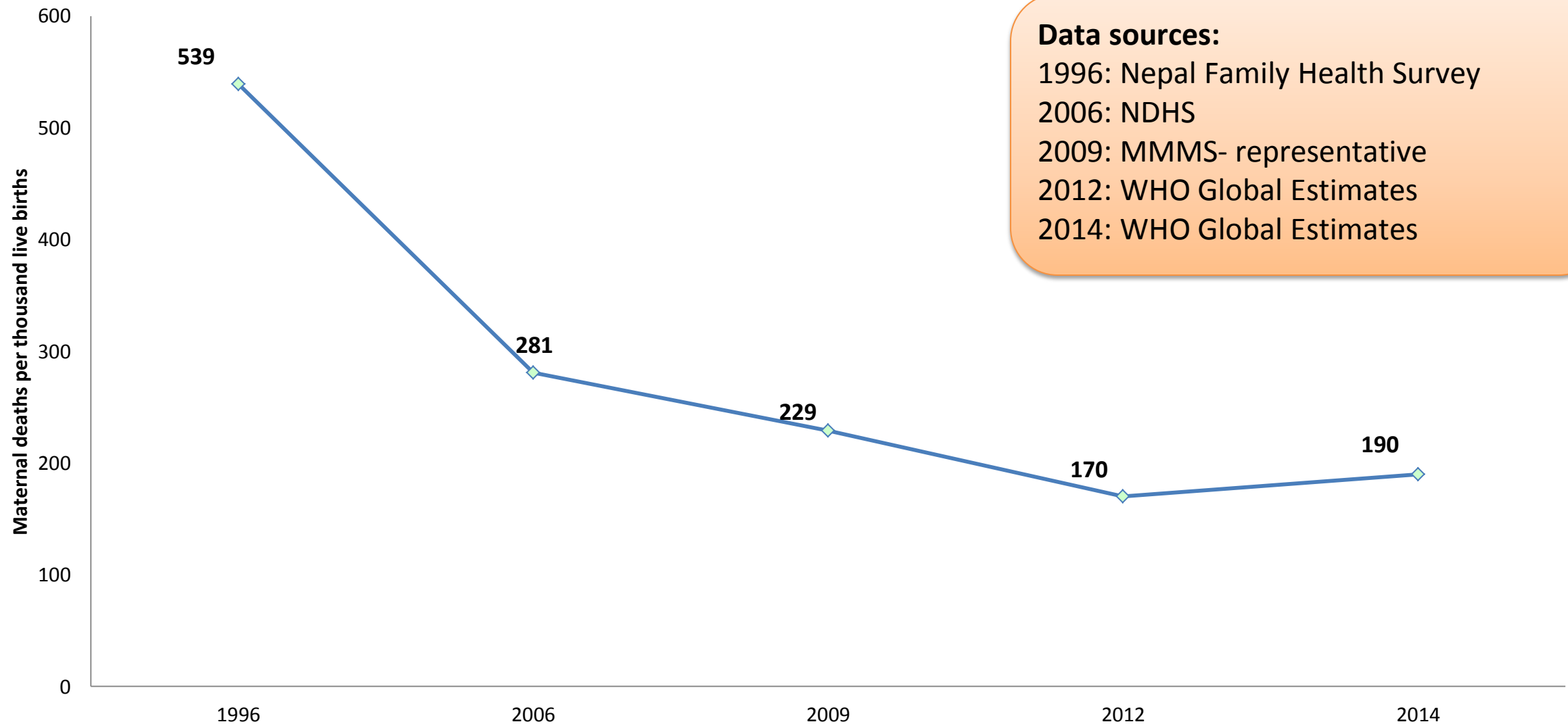
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PROGRESS

Together We Made Progress in Reducing: Under-five, Infant, Neonatal and Postnatal Deaths



We have Made Impressive Progress in Reducing MMR



Key Achievements

- Service accessibility in progress: HFs (CEOC sites:87, BEOC sites: 161, Birthing centers: 1478, VCT: 263, PMTCT: 95, ART: 53)
- Remarkable progress in reducing TFR: TFR: 2.3, Adolescent Fertility Rate: 71/1000
- Sustained elimination of Leprosy: 0.83/10,000
- Declining HIV prevalence: 0.23% (2013)
- Accredited BSL 3 Laboratory
- Full immunization vdc 600/, four fully immunized district.

More Doctors Recruited and Deployed in FY 2013/14

Doctors appointed	198
MBBS	169
BDS	25
MD	2
MDS	2
Tenure extension	18

Priority:

Implement the Policy Directions of National Health Policy 2014

- Ensure the inclusion of priority areas of National Health Policy 2014 into relevant strategies, plans and AWPBs
- All centres, divisions and concerned authorities are to align the activities as per NHP-2014
- The prioritised areas like population based health institutions, one village one doctor and ensuring equity will demand the higher budget envelope in NHSP-3

CHALLENGES AND WAY FORWARD

Quality of Care: Need Our Focus

Quality of care at the point of service delivery

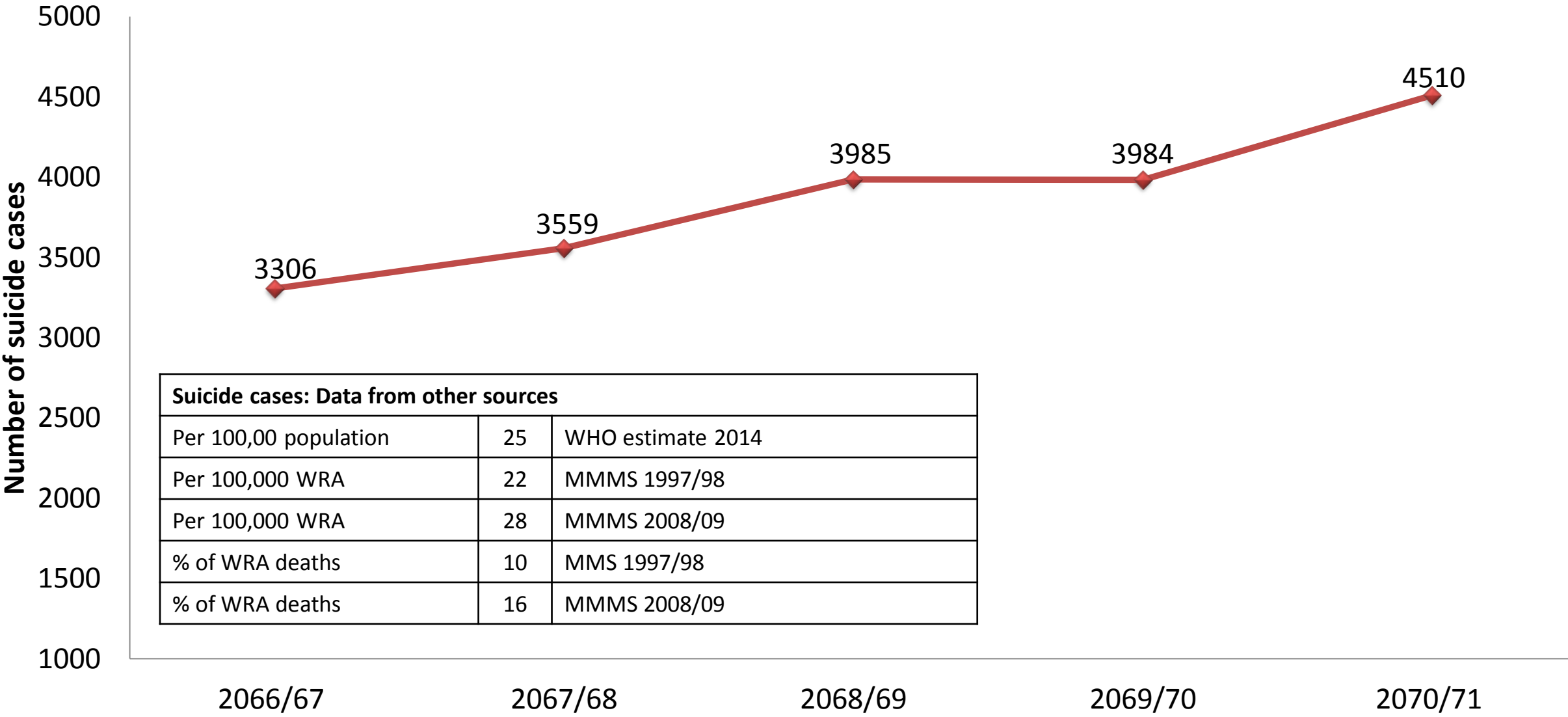


Availability and readiness of quality services

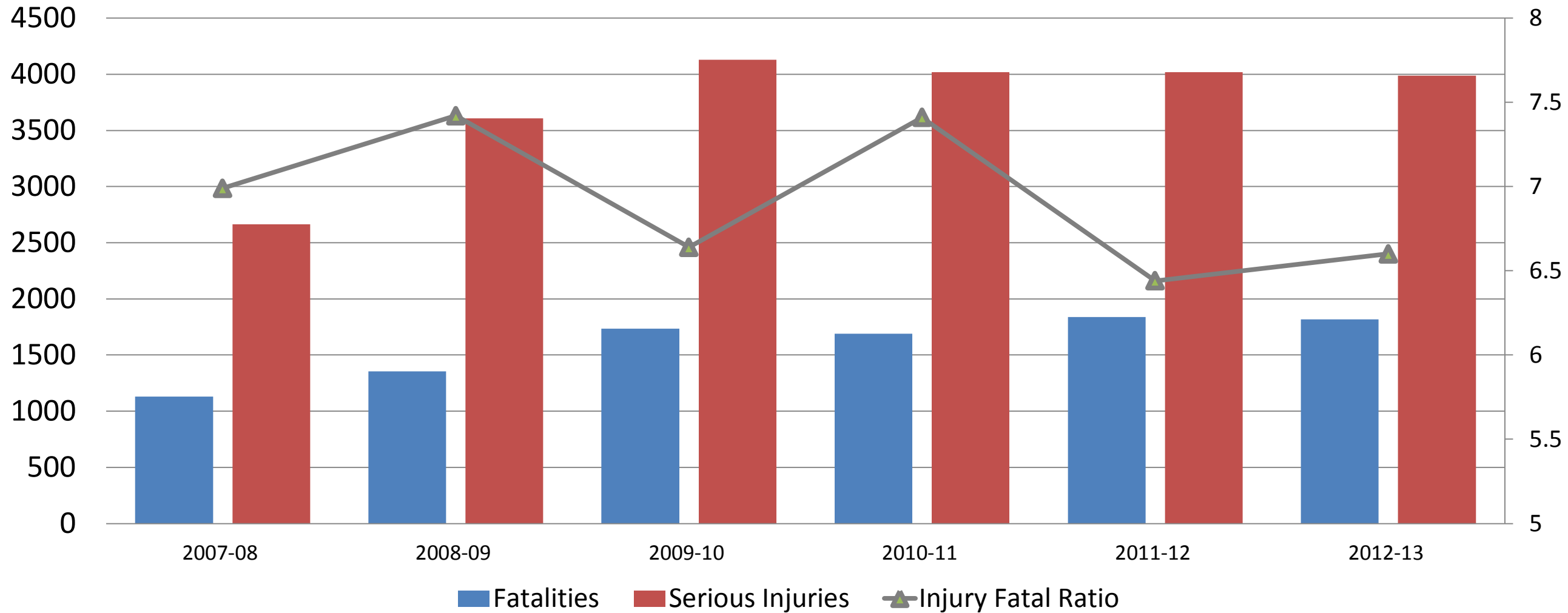
- Maternal deaths in health facility increased from 21% in 1998 to 41% in 2009
- 82% institutional maternal deaths were emergency admissions (MMMS 2009)
- 22% of health workers' post is vacant/not fulfilled
- Lower level facilities are 'underutilized' and referral hospitals are 'overcrowded'
- 32% of public hospitals; 91% of PHCCs; and 16% of HPs meet infrastructure standard (HIIS 2013/14)
- Procurement and supply of commodities, drugs, equipment and services are generally 'delayed' for some reasons
- Quality at point of production vs. point of service delivery

Suicide: A preventable killer: Alarming facts

How does health sector respond?



Road Traffic Accidents



Reference : Status Paper on Road Safety in Nepal 2013

<http://data.opennepal.net/content/road-traffic-accident-records-2013>

Information Systems: Needs be Strengthened

Routine Information System:

- No linkages between information systems
- Limited reporting from non-government and private health facilities
- Institutionalization and scaling up of Birth and death registration(CRVS); MPDR; Integrated disease surveillance system

Harmonization of surveys:

- Household: NDHS, MICS and Other national level surveys (eg NLSS)
- Health facility Survey: SPA, SARA, STS

Some progress on harmonizing these: Nepal health facility survey (NHFS 2015)

Evaluation of the Pilots before scale up

Reflections from Regional/Annual Review

Infrastructure

Challenges

- Health facilities are not proportionately distributed to population (Geography and population coverage)
- HR, Equipment, furniture and infrastructure not in a package

Way forward

- Up-grade and/or build new health facilities at strategic locations (Population and geography) complying new standards (HR, furniture, equipment, heating, cooling, oxygen plant) within 3 to 5 years
- Review and redefine role of MoHP, DUDBC and committees at different levels, MoHP to take a lead role

Human Resource

Challenges

- Deployment and retention of skilled human resources in remote areas
- Vertical trainings, need of knowledge and attitude based trainings, Quality of training
- HR database

Way forward

- Develop and implement appropriate incentive and motivational package for retention and work of HR in remote areas
- Develop and implement integrated training package with calendar
- Strengthen and implement HURIS and TMIS

Procurement & Supply Chain Management

Challenges

- Lack of specific procurement regulations.
- Interrupted supply of drugs, vaccine and diagnostics for laboratories (e.g., Vaccine: Measles and Rubella). Old equipment and lack of maintenance plan
- Absence of professional skilled human resources for store management and logic supply chain

Way forward

- Ensure the sector specific procurement regulations, MoHP to take a lead role in having such regulations.
- Develop and implement procurement plan, repair and maintenance plan including medical equipment.
- Inclusion of profession cadre for logistics, O&M of DOHS (LMD)

Ensuring Quality of Care

Challenges

- Overcrowding of referral hospitals. Readiness of health facility to deliver services.
- Focusing on more vulnerable population and target approach
- Anti Microbial resistance and its effect on treatment protocol

Way forward

- Develop strategy to reduce overcrowding at referral hospitals by strengthening health facilities at strategic locations
- Expansion and standardization of urban health clinics according to population density
- Review and redefine treatment standards, protocols and guidelines inline with AMR findings

Sector Management & Governance

Challenges

- Institutional capacity to implement the policy direction
- Weak harmonization of planning and expenditure
- Inter and intra ministry and department coordination. Lack of clarity in renewal process of the hospitals.
- Clearing out outstanding irregularities

Way forward

- Initiate structural reform of MoHP to implement NHP-2014 and NHSP-3
- Initiate the institutional reform and establish planning section at DoHS
- Involve health institutions of other ministrie(MOGA,MOHA,MOF) in capacity development and implementation of priority programs
- Build the capacity of managers and finance officers. Process has been started. Need to continue in NHSP-3

Health Sector Financing

Challenges

- Sustainability /Effectiveness of different demand side financing schemes (eg. Amaa)
- Direct funding commitment and reporting :
Low implementation
- Timely release of authorization and fund

Way forward

- Effective monitoring of Aama and different incentive schemes
- Ensure the progress and financial reporting

Healthy lifestyles and environment

Challenges

- Low coverage of BCC activities and social mobilization
- Inadequate resources for the social mobilization, advocacy and BCC activities
- Changing life style and dietary habit

Way forward

- Maximize use of local media with clear guidance from centre
- Align all programme specific promotional activities with NHEICC
- Develop coordination mechanism with other sectors(MOE, Industry) for promotion and prevention activities

Public Health Emergencies

Challenges

- Health sector preparedness plan for major outbreaks and emergencies
- Retrofitting of hospitals
- Unavailability of Isolation ward at different hospitals

Way forward

- Capacity building of MoHP –Make HEOC operational
- Allocate adequate budget for retrofitting major hospitals (Central Jail, regional, zonal)
- Review and implement health sector preparedness plan for major outbreaks and emergencies
- Operationalize isolation wards in the selected hospitals

Availability and Use of Evidence in Decision-Making

Challenges	Way forward
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Strengthening e-technologies to improve reporting and use of information (FCHV SIM, LMIS, HMIS, HuRIS)▪ Change in annual performance review process at all levels▪ Monitoring of drug related morbidity and mortality▪ Low reporting coverage of the private and non-governmental health facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Establish functional linkage among different information systems▪ Refine and implement integrated review mechanism and system▪ Activate Pharmacovigilance committee at major hospitals▪ Reporting from private facilities mandatory for renewal

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