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
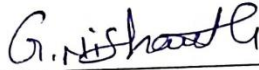
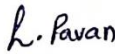
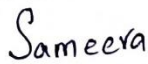
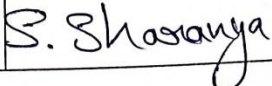
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# INTRODUCTION

## CHAPTER-1

Young adulthood is a particularly important time for the promotion of healthy eating, because several behaviors are developed and established during this period. However, as characterised as a transitional life stage which may include many significant changes, such as leaving the family home, commencing college, entering the work force, partnering, or becoming a parent, many people lack interest in following a healthy and balanced diet, or struggle to prioritise this.

Young adults include people from different background in a relatively large age range, and the great majority of college students are part of this group. They are beginning to take responsibility for their own dietary habits as they undergo a critical period in the consolidation of eating habits and behaviours. A review study demonstrated that most college students have unhealthy eating behaviours, including high intake of fast foods, snacks, sweets, soft drinks and alcoholic beverages, and low intake of fruits, vegetables, fish, whole grains and legumes.

The frequent poor dietary behaviours among young adults are among the key factors contributing to a weight gain trajectory and increased risk of non-communicable diseases (NCDs), such as heart disease, cancer and diabetes (type-2). NCDs are estimated to cause 41 million deaths each year, equivalent to 71% of deaths globally. According to the World Health Organization (WHO) the risk of developing NCDs could be reduced through an increase in intake of > 400g of fruits and vegetables per day, which would also help to ensure an adequate daily ingestion of dietary fibre. Despite initiatives designed to increase fruits and vegetables intake, people across the globe struggle to meet this recommendation.

While the health benefits of a high fruits and vegetables consumption are well known and considerable work has attempted to improve intakes, increasing evidence also recognizes a distinction between fruit and vegetables, both in their impacts on health and in consumption patterns. A recent review suggests enhanced health benefits from a high consumption specifically of vegetables due to their protein and fibre content, yet intakes remain low. Additionally, studies have highlighted ethical, environmental and cost advantages to diets with a higher vegetables composition. Notwithstanding, evidence demonstrates that the intake of fruits and vegetables tends to be higher due to their sweet taste, softer texture and easier manner of eating (usually raw and as a snack or dessert). A systematic review demonstrated that interventions to increase fruit and vegetable intakes more often target fruit and typically report greater success in fruit consumption compared to that of vegetables. Even so, few studies on



food choice and eating behavior have investigated vegetable intake as a separate variable. This is an important limitation of existing knowledge, since the factors that influence fruits consumption may not be applicable to vegetables. The majority of interventions aiming to increase the intake of vegetables as a separate and distinct group have focused on younger children.

Sufficient intake of fruit and vegetables (F&V) has been related epidemiologically with reduced risk of many non-communicable diseases. Currently, much interest is focused on the vital role of antioxidants which impart bright colour to F&V and act as scavengers cleaning up free radicals before they cause detrimental health effects. Moreover, fibers found in F&V have been shown to reduce intestinal passage rates by forming a bulk, leading to a more gradual nutrient absorption hence preventing constipation. They can be fermented in the colon, increasing the concentration of short chain fatty acids having anticarcinogenic properties and maintaining gut health. Several studies have highlighted the CVD risk-reducing potential of F&V whereby their intake were strongly associated with lower cardiovascular risk factors such as lower blood pressure (BP), cholesterol and triacylglycerol thus preventing premature cardiovascular disorders. Recently Habauzit et al. reported that fruits containing a high amount of anthocyanins, flavonols and procyanidins, such as berries, grapes and pomegranate are effective at decreasing cardiovascular risk while citrus fruits and apples had a moderate effect on BP and blood lipid level. An increased consumption of carotenoid-rich F&V maintains the cholesterol level in blood since they reduce oxidative damage and cause an increase in LDL oxidation resistance. An increased consumption of cruciferous vegetables was also reported to cause a decrease in the risk of intestinal, bowel, thyroid, pancreatic and lung cancer.

F&V have also been suggested to prevent osteoporosis in adults mainly for their rich sources of calcium and other vitamins which are vital in bone health. The high fiber content of F&V may play a role in calcium absorption and reduce the 'acid load' of the diet enhancing bone formation and suppressing bone resorption which consequently result in greater bone strength. Moreover, phytoingredients in F&V such as goseberry, curcumin, and soya isoflavones have shown to be protective against lens damage which occurs due to hyperglycemia and certain flavonoids such as quercetin can prevent oxidative stress in the pathogenesis of glaucoma. Also, a high intake of F&V was inversely associated with the risk of COPD and respiratory symptoms. Higher total fruit and vegetable intake is also associated with lower risk of cognitive decline hence proved beneficial for mental health. Based on available evidence, a clear relationship between F&V and diseases has been well established however no protective effect of overall fruit and vegetable intake (FVI) against lung diseases were found. Green leafy vegetables, rather than fruit, were suggested to have a genuine protective effect against lung cancer. Risk of proximal colon cancer, rectal cancer and aggressive and non-aggressive urothelial cell carcinomas are not associated with FVI and no protective role were seen on the risk of endometrial cancer in post menopausal women. The accepted recommendation is to consume a variety of F&V because studies demonstrate that a combination of F&V have more

potential benefits rather than a single fruit or vegetable . However further studies are warranted.

### **Design and Participants**

This study reviewed data from 71 The majority of participants were female (69.8%), and the mean age of the students was 21.6 years old. Almost 95% of the studies (n = 67) were designed as cross-sectional. The other designs were mixed (cross-sectional and longitudinal) , microlongitudinal (21 days) , time series analysis and retrospective survey .The majority (70.4%) of the studies focused on evaluating elements of the whole diet of participants. Thirteen studies were specific regarding the consumption of fruits and vegetables , while only three studies were exclusively focused on vegetables . Five studies investigated adherence to the Mediterranean diet and its relation with the consumption of specific food categories, such as vegetables . The most usual instrument for assessing food consumption was the food frequency questionnaire (FFQ), used by twenty-eight studies . Two of them combined the FFQ with 24-h recalls . Another study also chose 24-h recalls for assessing food consumption, while three studies used diet story questionnaires . Thirty-one studies declared having used questionnaires, adapted or designed specifically for the study purposes . Seven studies used prospective methods for evaluating food consumption diary. Another three studies employed a 7-day food record, one of them combined with a FFQ , and two studies a 3-day food record.

### **Vegetable Definition**

Most studies (60.6%) did not define what was being considered as vegetables in their investigations. The term was only presented in the tables or text referring to the group, without specifying whether participants were told what to consider as a vegetable, or whether different types of vegetables consumed were grouped in this category. From the studies which mentioned what was considered in the analysis, eight divided vegetables into raw or fresh vegetables (including salads), and cooked vegetables . Another six studies declared that the intake of both raw and cooked vegetables was considered to calculate “vegetable consumption”. One study only considered salad and raw vegetables in their analysis. Four studies divided vegetables into different categories: green, yellow, other vegetables, and salads , sautéed leafy greens, leafy greens, nonleafy cooked vegetables and nonleafy raw vegetables; fresh, frozen, canned and stewed ;and fresh, tinned, legumes and potatoes ,Finally, eight studies included different forms of vegetables to create a single variable in their analyses: green-, red- or yellow-coloured vegetables; vegetables without tubers, roots and bananas, fresh, canned or juice; vegetables and juices; raw, cooked, canned or frozen; coloured and other types of vegetables, mushrooms and sea vegetables; fresh, cooked or frozen, as well as green salad and did not count potatoes; and vegetable side dishes or salads .It is clear that the complexity of defining vegetables either by botanical or culinary descriptors makes it difficult to provide an aggregated analysis.

No study mentioned the degree of food processing related to the vegetables consumed i.e., whether the vegetables were fresh, minimally processed (e.g., washed, sliced, peeled), juiced, or preserved in brine or sugar. Additionally, there was no discussion regarding the type of production of these vegetables (organic or conventional), if they were originated from genetic modified crops, or the type of commercialization, for instance, whether they were part of fair trades, locally produced, or imported from other countries.

# REVIEW OF LITERATURE

## CHAPTER-2

Sufficient intake of fruits and vegetables has been associated with a reduced risk of chronic diseases and body weight management but the exact mechanism is unknown. Vegetable consumption is a predictor for improved health outcomes, such as reduced obesity and likelihood of food-related noncommunicable diseases. Young adults are a key population, being in a transitional stage-of-life: Habits gained here are taken through the lifespan. This review establishes insight into the consumption of vegetables among young adults during their college/university years, and factors associated with increased consumption. Seventy-one papers were extracted, published between 2000 and 2015. Search terms related to consumption; vegetables; and college/university setting and sample. A diverse range of definitions, guidelines, and study approaches were observed. Findings identify that the majority of students do not consume World Health Organization recommendations. Being female was the most frequent predictor of higher intake of vegetables, and no consumption patterns were identified by countries. Living at family home; body mass index; happiness and stress level; perceived importance of healthy eating; socioeconomic level; breakfast consumption; stage of study; openness to new experiences; sleep pattern; nutrition knowledge; activity level; alcohol usage; and energy intake were identified as influential factors. Public policies and new strategies to encourage vegetable consumption among college students are indispensable, especially targeting young adults. The relationship between vegetable consumption and measures of adiposity was assessed in cohort studies. Seven databases were searched from inception until 2015. The quality of individual studies was assessed using the Joanna Briggs Institute Critical Appraisal of Cohort Studies tool. The Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) system was applied to determine the quality of the body of evidence. Ten studies were included. Six measured change in vegetable intake over time. Two showed that increasing vegetable consumption resulted in weight loss of 0.09–0.1 kg over four years ( $p < 0.001$ ). Increased vegetable intake was also associated with a reduced risk of weight gain and overweight or obesity (Odds ratios (ORs) ranged from 0.18 to 0.88) in other studies. Four studies measured vegetable intake at the baseline only. One showed that intakes  $>4$  servings/day reduced the risk of weight gain (OR 0.27 (95% confidence interval (CI) 0.08–0.99) and another found an inverse association with waist circumference in women ( $-0.36$  cm per vegetable serving/day). This review provides moderate quality evidence for an inverse association between vegetable intake and weight-related outcomes in adults. When these findings are coupled with no apparent harm from vegetable consumption, the evidence-base can be used with acceptable confidence to guide practice and policy. In order to more effectively promote fruit and vegetable intake among children and adolescents, insight into determinants of intake is necessary. We conducted a review of the literature for potential determinants of fruit and vegetable intake in children and adults.

## Material and Methods

### CHAPTER-3

The Scoping review included quantitative data from observational investigating vegetable consumption among young adults in a college setting papers were included if vegetable consumption was assessed as a primary focus or part of a diet where data on vegetable consumption could be analysed separately Data were evaluated for significance to determine which factor are associated with increased vegetable consumption among the targeted Group.

This study adopted an effective bibliographic research strategy aimed at reducing bias in the selection of articles for review A literature search was conducted in October 2018 in the following data bases, scopus, MEDLINE/pub med (via national library of medicine) and scientific Electronic library in line (scielo) An additional search using the snowball method was performed, scrutinizing the references in the review studies obtained from the initial search to insure a comprehensive data collections the terms is used in the search comprised four categories that were combined using the Boolean ruling operator “AND” as follows (a) consumption (food consumption or food intake or eating) (b) type of food (vegetable) (c) setting (college or university or “higher education” or faculty) and (d) sample (student or freshman or sophomove or young adult or millennial or late adolesc or emerging adult or “new adult”) The combinations were adopted to use more general or more specific terms based on the limitations of each data base for the scopus and scielo data base search was performed considering the tittle, abstract and keywords, while in medline/pubmed the terms were searched in the full text due to the low number of references (n=20) when searching just title and abstract. preliminary searches were helpful for adjusting search terms and their combination in order to find the largest possible number of article related to the topic.

Studies published related Portuguese, Spanish and English were included. This was possible due to the international team of authors which enable full assessment of studies published these three languages. it was felt that inclusion of the widest possible range or studies published enhance the value of the review, representing finding from a wide diversity of cultures and settings exclusion criteria comprised qualitative studies, studies focusing on eating disorders(eg.bulinia)or specific groups(eg.athlets, pregnant women),biomarkers and supplementation, studies with patients (eg.menopause women, anaemics, people with (veliac diseases) specific minerals association with vegetables consumption; validation and reliability of questionnaires, hypothetical scenarios and case-control studies intervention studies were not included to ensure that this review focused on establishing a base line account and to avoid repetition of the recent systematic review by appletion .

Duplicates were removed, followed by irrelevant titles. The abstracts of the remaining papers were reviewed, and potential studies were considered based on the inclusion/exclusion criteria the studies which analysed the intake of food or food groups ,or the dietary patterns of college

students were read and judiciously analysed in full text. Studies were not considered if they presented data on aggregated fruit and table consumption; if they presented data of consumption in scores where it was impossible to estimate consumption; if they were not developed with college students shows how the database search and articles selection process resulted in 71 articles being included in this review.

The data of selected studies were extracted to a Microsoft excel spreadsheet for analysis, including study details (i.e. authors, location, years of publication, and design), study population, sample and participant demographics, food intake assessment instruments, definition of vegetables, data on vegetable consumption and associated factors with increased vegetable intake. The information extracted from each study is presented in the summary tables. The percentage of male and female participants and mean age across all studies was calculated. The common results were grouped and presented separately according to the type of data provided (line, frequency of overall intake, frequency of intake according to portions/servings, average intake of portions/serving per week, consumption in grams/day and comparison of consumption with relevant guidelines). Mean daily vegetable intake was calculated across studies presenting the consumption of vegetables in frequencies of intake. A few studies are presented in more than one table.

# RESULT

## CHAPTER-4

### Vegetable Consumption

Vegetable Consumption: Vegetable Consumption is Summarised in file tables, according to the type of Outcome measure Provided the studies. In the first. from 30 Studies are Presented table, data with the frequency of Vegetable intake. Mean frequency of daily Vegetable intake was 40.21%. Varying from 11-2% to 72.4% The highest frequency of daily of Vegetable intake was observed in Finland, where 72.4% of female and 57-31 of males eat Vegetables daily in a study. Conducted only with female participants ate fresh or Cooked Vegetables daily these 29.5% more than One a and from day Other Studies also demonstrated a high frequency of intake such as in Lithuania where 60.0%. Eat Vegetables 4-7 times a Week, and in Italy where 42.1%. of participants Eat Vegetables at least Once a day, and 16%. 56 million a week. "Vegetable Consumption" One Study Only Considered Salad and raw vegetables in their analysis.. four studies divided vegetables into different Categories green, yellow other Vegetables, and Salads Sauté leafy greens, leafy greens, nonleafy cooked Vegetables and nonleafy raw vegetables fresh, frozen, Canned and stewed and fresh, tinned. Legumes and potatoes finally, eight studies included different Vegetables, fresh, Cooked or frozen, green forms of , as well as. salad and did not count potatoes. and Vegetables Side dishes or Salads. It is clear that the Complexity of defining Vegetables either by botanical or Culinary descriptors makes it. difficult to provide aggregated analysis. One Study mentioned the degree of food, Processing i.e, whether related to the vegetables Consumed the Vegetables Were fresh, minimally Processed (eg. Washed, sliced, peeled), juiced or preserved in brine or there was of production Sugar Additionally, no discussion regarding the type OF these Vegetables. (organic Convention) if they were originated from genetic modified Crops, or the type of Commercialization on the other hand, Some studies demonstrate frequencies of daily intake as low as 11.2%. in Saudi Arabia 12.4%. in South Africa and 14-32 in Brazil Brazilian Studies showed the lowest frequencies of Vegetables Intake et al's Zimbabwe' B study 28.41. and 25.5% of college students answered never eating Yaw Vegetables | Salads and Cooked Vegetables, respectively in Cansian et al's study 125.21. of participants answered never or rarely eating sautéed leafy greens Associated factors with increased intake were being female regular health self-rate lower BMI and lower blood pressure (both gender in later years of study being a quota not Student (an affirmative action approved by Law which reserves 50% of Spots in Brazil federal Universities for students Coming, from Public Schools, low-income families and who are of African or indigenous descent the Importance given living for eating healthy and at family home. The mean age of participants was 19-211.13 years, 92.9% were living in Urban areas and. most them (92.4%) were single; with significant between anemia and those with normal hemoglobin level

Socio-demographic Students data the studied by hemoglobin level.

| Studied Variables                | Hemoglobin level       |                        | Total<br>N=211<br>(%) |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                  | Normal<br>N=141<br>(%) | Anemia<br>N=70%<br>(%) |                       |
| Age in year<br>(Mean+SD)         | 19.1+0.64              | 19.3+1.72              | 19.2+1.13             |
| Residence                        |                        |                        |                       |
| Rural                            | 11(7.8)                | 4(5.7)                 | 15(7.1)               |
| Urban                            | 130(92.2)              | 66(94.3)               | 196(92.9)             |
| Perceired Socioeconomic Standard |                        |                        |                       |
| Moderate                         | 103(73.0)              | 51(72.9)               | 154(73.0)             |
| High                             | 38(27.0)               | 19(27.1)               | 154(27.0)             |
| Malital status                   |                        |                        |                       |
| Ever married                     | 11 (7.8)               | 5(7.1)                 | 16(7.6)               |
| Never married                    | 130(92.2)              | 65(92.9)               | 195(92.4)             |

Pearson's chi Square test,  $p < 0.05$

^ p value of student-t test,  $p < 0.05$

Less than half of participants (46.0%) had normal weight; 33.0%. Were anemic (their mean BMI = 21:31 1-66, mean ttb / . =  $10.9 \pm 1.39$ )

**Distribution of BMI by hemoglobin level among studied group of Students.**

| BMI          | Hemoglobin level |                | TOTAL<br>N(%) |
|--------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|
|              | Normal N<br>(%)  | Anemian<br>(%) |               |
| Under weight | 59               | 28             | 87/100.0/41)  |

|             |                |               |                   |
|-------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
|             | (67.8/418)     | (32.2/400)    |                   |
| Normal      | 65 (67.0/46.1) | 32(/330/45.7) | 97 (100.0/46).    |
| Over weight | 15 (65.2/10.6) | 8(34.8/11.4)  | 23(100.0/10)      |
| Obesity     | 2(50.0/14)     | 2(50.0/2.9)   | 4(100-0/1.9)      |
| Total       | 141            | 70            | 211 (100.0/100.0) |
|             | (66-8/1000)    | (33-2/100-0)  |                   |

Nearly two fifths (41.2%) were Under Weights 32.2% of them were anemic (mean BMI = 16.2 +1-55, mean +16% = 113+ 0.51) Hb% =113±0.51)

One tenth (10.9%) of participants were Over weight 34.8% of them were anemic (mean) BMI = 27.4 + 0.81 (mean Hb % = 10.9±0.80). Although minority a them were Obese (19%), 50.0% were anemic (mean BMI = 34.0± 0.10, mean Hb/. = 116 +0-10) Generally Speaking the prevalence the of anemia was 32.2%. With insignificant difference between BMI and Hb%. Nearly two thirds of participants (67.3%). were menstruating by age of 13-15 years; getting menses every 27-30 days (53.1%.) and 58.8%. had regular menses; with in significant difference between anemic and those with normal hemoglobin level.

### Reproductive history of participants by hemoglobin level.

| Variables Value | Hemoglobin level |        | Total | p |
|-----------------|------------------|--------|-------|---|
|                 | Normal           | Anemia | N=211 |   |
|                 | N=141            | N=70   | (%)   |   |
|                 | (%)              | (%)    |       |   |

### Age of menarche in years

|       |          |          |          |        |
|-------|----------|----------|----------|--------|
| 10-12 | 39(27.7) | 19(27-1) | 58(27.5) |        |
| 13-15 | 97(68.8) | 45(64.3) | 142      | p=0.29 |
|       |          | (67.3)   |          |        |
| >15   | 5(3.5)   | 6(8.6)   | 11(52)   |        |

### Regularity of menstruation. 87 (412) Irregular 53 (376) 34 (486) 87 0-12)

|           |          |          |           |        |
|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|--------|
| Irregular | 53 (376) | 34 (486) | 87 (41.2) | P=0.12 |
|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|--------|



Regular 88 (62.4) 36(514) 124 (58-8)

**Interval between a Successive means**

(20 days 46 (326) 26 (37-1) 72 (34-1)  
 21-30 days 78 (55.3) 34 (48-6) 112 P=0.11  
 (53.1)  
 31 -40 days 16(11.3) 6(8.6) 22(10.4)  
 >40 Days 1(0.7) 4(5.7) 5(2.4)

for ever married women (N=16)

Gravidity 0.0 ±0.00 1.6 ± 2.19 1.6±2.19  
 (mean ±SD)

Number of 0.0 ±0.00 2.0 ± 274 2.0 ± 274

sd)

/100-0/1.5) 211 (1000/1000

were anemic (mean bmi-162+1-55, mean

16 (11-3) 6(8.6) 92 (10.9)

31-40 days 1 (07) 4(57) 5(24)

540 days

gravidity (mean ±-for ever married 0.0+ 0.00 domen (n=16) 1.6 ± 2.19 1.6±2.19 living children

(mean ±SD)

current use of contraceptives

|             |          |          |           |         |
|-------------|----------|----------|-----------|---------|
| No          | 8 (72.7) | 5(100.0) | 13 (81.3) | p=0.432 |
| Yes         | 3(27.3)  | 0 (0.0)  | 3 (18.7)  |         |
| Pills       | 2 (6.67) | 0(0.0)   | 2(66.7)   |         |
| safe period | 1(33.3)  | 0(0.0)   | 1(33.3)   |         |

pearson's chi square test P<0.05

More than One third (37.5%) of married participants were pregnant, 3 months period since last delivery or abortion and did not lapse in 60.0% of Cases whereas, Contraceptive users were 18.7%. 66.7% of them were Using Contraceptive pills, with insignificant difference between anemic and those with normal hemoglobin level.

A Significant association (p = 0.002) has reported between the presence of anemia and rate of Consumption of fresh vegetables and fruits among the studied group.

Consumption of red meat Once per day has been reported in 26.5% of day per the participant While 29.4% and 27.5% were consuming legumes and fast food once per week respectively, with insignificant difference b/w anemic and those with normal hemoglobin level - One fourth (25%) the participants Consuming soft drinks more than once per day mean while milk products were consumed by 30.8% Once per day; with different b/w anemic and those with normal hemoglobin level:

"Physical and dietary habit by hemoglobin. Level

| Dietary Habits | Hemoglobin Normal (%) | Anemian (%) | Total N=211 (%) | p-value |
|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------|
|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------|

**Fresh Vegetables and fruits.**

|           |           |          |           |         |
|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------|
| More than | 13(9.2)   | 5(7.1)   | 18 (5)    |         |
| Once /day | (23/16.3) | 12/17.1) | 35 (16.6) | p=0.002 |
| -3-4      | 22(15.6)  | 17(24.3) | 39(18.5)  |         |

Times/Week

|                 |          |            |            |         |
|-----------------|----------|------------|------------|---------|
| -               | 4(2.8)   | 11(15.7)   | 15(7.1)    |         |
| Once/week       |          |            |            |         |
| -less than      | 79(56.0) | 25(35.7)   | (04 (49.3) |         |
| Once/week       |          |            |            |         |
| <u>Red meat</u> | 13(9.2)  | 6(8.6)     | 19(9.0)    |         |
| more            |          |            |            |         |
| than            |          |            |            |         |
| Once / day      |          |            |            |         |
| - Once /day     | 35(24.8) | 21 (30.0)  | 56 (26.5)  |         |
| -3-4            | 35(24.8) | 12(17.1)   | 47(22.3)   | P=0.717 |
| Times/week      |          |            |            |         |
| -               | 23(16.3) | 14(20.0)   | 37         |         |
| Once / week     |          |            | (17.5)     |         |
| Less than       | 35(24.8) | (7 (24.3). | 52.        |         |
| Once / week     |          |            | ( 24.6)    |         |
| Legumes         |          |            |            |         |
| More            | 9(6.4)   | 1(1.4)     | 10(4.7)    |         |
| Them            |          |            |            |         |
| Once /day       | 12(8.5)  | 5(7.1)     | 17(8.1)    |         |
| -3-4            | 26(18.4) | 16(22.9)   | 42         | p=0.476 |
| Times/week      |          |            | (19.9)     |         |
| -               | 43(30.4) | 19(27.1)   | 62         |         |
| Once/week       |          |            | (29.4)     |         |
| -lessthan       | 51(36.2) | 29(41.4)   | 80         |         |
| Once/week       |          |            | (37.9)     |         |

## FAST FOOD

|            |           |           |                 |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|
| more than  | 13(9.2)   | 6(8.6)    | 19(9.0)         |
| Once/day   |           |           |                 |
| Once/day   | 27 (19.1) | 10 (14.3) | 37              |
|            |           |           | (17.5) P =0.729 |
| -3-4       | 35/24-8)  | 15(21.4)  | 50              |
| Times/week |           |           | (23.7)          |
|            | 38(27.0)  | 20(28.6)  | 58              |
| Once/week  |           |           | (27.5)          |
| Lessthan   | 28(19.9)  | 19(27.1)  | 47              |
| Once/week  |           |           | (22.3)          |

## SOFT DRINKS

|            |          |          |                |
|------------|----------|----------|----------------|
| _more      | 34(24.1) | 19(27.1) | 53             |
| Than       |          |          | (25.1)         |
| Once/day   |          |          |                |
| Once/day   | 30(21.3) | 16(22.9) | 46             |
|            |          |          | (21.8) p=0.451 |
| -3-4       | 31(22.0) | 8(11.4)  | 39             |
|            |          |          | (18.5)         |
| 1          | 26(18.4) | 14(20.0) | 40             |
| Once/week  |          |          | (19.0)         |
| -less than | 20(14.2) | 13(18.6) | 33             |

Once/week (15.6)

MILK PRODUCTS

More 21(14.9) 6(8.6) 27

Than (12.8)

Once/day

Once/day 49(34.8) 16(22.9) 65

(30.8) P=0.153

-3-4 25(17.7) 19(27.1) 44

(20.9)

- 13(9.2) 9(12.9) 22

(10.4)

Less than 33(23.4) 20(28.6) 53

Once/week (25.1)

\*pearson's chi-square test, p<0.05

Half of the participants (50.2%) were drinking tea immediately postprandial, only 10% were taking nutritional supplements and 7.6% were taking iron or folic acid supplements with insignificant difference between anemic and those with normal hemoglobin level.

**Habits accustomed by studied participants by hemoglobin level.**

| Dietary Habits | hemoglobin level |        | total | p-value |
|----------------|------------------|--------|-------|---------|
|                | normal           | anemia | N=211 |         |
|                | N=141            | N=70   | (%)   |         |
|                | (%)              | (%)    |       |         |

### Post prandial tea drinking

No 66(46.8) 39(55.7) 105  
(49.8)p =0.371\*

Yes 75(53.2) 31(44.3) 106  
(50.2)

### Nutritional supplements

No 127(90.21) 63(90.0) 190 p=0.987\*

Yes 14(9.9) 7(10.0) 21(10.0)

### Iron or folic acid supplements

No 128(90.8) 67(95.7) 195 p=0.202\*  
(92.4)

Yes 13 (9.2) 3(4.3) 16(7.6)

### Anemia severity classification

| Grade | Hb level(g/bl)           | Description |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------|
| 1     | 10-lower limit of normal | mild        |
| 2     | 8-<10                    | moderate    |
| 3     | 6.5-<8                   | severe      |

|   |                  |                  |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| 4 | Life threatening | Life threatening |
| 5 | Death            | Death            |

According to the national cancer institute and the national institutes of health anemia can be classified into five grades.

Anemia will correct within 2to4 months if appropriate iron doesages are administrated ans underlying cause of on deficiency is corrected

Continue iron therepy an additional 4 to 6 months (adults) after the hemoglobin normalizes to replenish the iron stores

Treatment of Mild and Moderate

| GROUP                 | DOSAGE / DAY  |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| CHILDREN 2-5 YEARS    | 20-30 mg iron |
| CHILDREN 6-11 YEARS   | 30-60 mg iron |
| ADOLESENTS AND ADULTS | 60-mg iron    |

HEMOGLOBIN LEVEL CHAT

| MALE`S                   |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Age 12-18 years<br>14.5) | 13. To 16.0( mean       |
| Age > 18 years<br>14.5)  | 13.6 to 17.7 (mean      |
| FEMALES                  |                         |
| Age12-18 YEARS           | 12.0 TO 16.0(MEAN14.0)  |
| Age> 18 Years            | 12.1 to 15.0(mean 14.0) |
| CHILDREN                 |                         |
| Birth                    | 13.5 to 24.0(mean 16.5) |

|                    |                          |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| <1 month           | 10.0to 20.0(mean 13.9)   |
| 1-2 months         | 10.0 to 18.0(mean11.2)   |
| 2-6 months         | 9.5 to 14.0( mean 12.6)  |
| 6 months – 2 years | 10.5 to 13.5(mean 12.0)  |
| 2-6 years          | 11.5 to 13.5(mean 12.5)  |
| 6- 12 yaers        | 11.5 to 15.5 (mean 13.5) |

#### NORMAL HEMOGLOBIN LEVELS

| AGE                     | NORMAL HEMOGLOBIN LEVEL (G/DL) |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| NEW BORN                | 13.5-24                        |
| <1 MONTH                | 10-20                          |
| 1-2 MONTHS              | 10-18                          |
| 0.5 TO 2 YEARS          | 10.8-13.5                      |
| 2 TO 6 YEARS            | 11.5-13.5                      |
| 6 TO 12 YEARS           | 11.5-13.5                      |
| FEMALE: 12- 18 YEARS    | 12.0-16.0                      |
| MALE:12 -18 YEARS       | 13.0-16.0                      |
| MALE: > 18 YEARS        | 13.6-17.1                      |
| FEMALE: >18 YEARS       | 12.1-15.1                      |
| MEN AFTER MIDDLE AGE    | 12.4-14.9                      |
| WOMEN AFTYER MIDDLE AGE | 11.7-13.8                      |



| S.NO | NAME OF THE STUDENT | CLASS/ VILLAGE               | BREAK FAST              | LAUNCH                  | DINNER                    | WEIGHT | HB VALUE |
|------|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------|----------|
| 1    | JYOTHI LINGAM       | B.COM 1ST YEAR JADCHERLA     | TOMATO RICE WITH CURD   | RICE AND WITH RADDISH   | RICE AND LEAFY VEGETABLES | 49     | 14.3     |
| 2    | MD.ZABI             | MCCS 1ST YEAR E/M MBNR       | FRIED RICE TOMATO CURRY | RICE WITH CHICKEN       | CHAPATHI CHICKEN          | 76     | 13.5     |
| 3    | HARSHA              | B.COM 1ST YAER MBNR          | DOSA/ GROUNDNUT CHUTNY  | RICE WITH BEETROOT      | BEETROOT AND CARROT       | 50     | 13.2     |
| 4    | K.GANAPATHI         | B.COM 1ST YEAR JADCHERLA     | RICE RADDISH            | RICE WITH LADY'S FINGER | RICE AND LADYS FINGER     | 54     | 10.6     |
| 5    | M.SAI KUMAR         | B.COM 1ST YEAR JADCHERLA     |                         | RICE WITH BEAN CURRY    | BEAN AND TOMATO           | 46     | 14       |
| 6    | B.TEJA              | B.COM 1ST YEAR JADCHERLA     | CHAPATHI AND BEAN       | RICE WITH BRINJAL       | CABBAGE                   | 42     | 15.4     |
| 7    | BHANU PRAKASH       | B.COM 1ST YAER TIMMAJIPET    | VADA                    | TOMATO CURRY            | RICE AND BRINJOL          | 51     | 15.3     |
| 8    | T. KISHOR           | B.A 3RD YAER JADCHERLA       | IDLT /GROUNDNUT CHUTNY  | CAPSICUM                | RICE WITH CABBAGE         | 72     | 16.5     |
| 9    | P. BHAVANA          | B.COM 1ST YEAR JADCHERLA     | RICE AND SPINACH        |                         | CURD RICE TOMATO CURRY    | 45     | 13.6     |
| 10   | G.NISHANTH          | BZCA 3RD YAER AIYYAVARIPALLY | CHAPATHI BEANIS         | RICE AND CUCUMBER       | CAULI FLOWER              | 53     | 13.2     |

|    |               |                             |                           |                           |                            |    |      |
|----|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----|------|
| 11 | P.SIMBHADRI   | B.COM 1ST YAER VALLUR       | DOSA/GROUN DNUT CHUTNY    |                           | DRUM STICK AND TOMATO      | 68 | 14.3 |
| 12 | ANIL NAYAK    | MPCS 1ST YAER VALLUR        | ROTI AND CLUSTER BEANS    | RICE AND SPINACH          | RICE AND DAL               | 55 | 12.1 |
| 13 | N.SRIKANTH    | MPCS 2ND YEAR KALWAKURTHY   | ROTI AND SPINACH          | RICE AND DAL              | RICE ROTI BITTER GOURD     | 53 | 8.7  |
| 14 | PRAVEEN KUMAR | BA 1ST YEAR KANAPUR         | CHAPATHI AMARANTHUS       |                           | RICE AND TOMATO ONION      | 53 | 15.8 |
| 15 | P.MADHU       | BA 1ST YEAR IPPALAPALLY     |                           | RICE AND BRINJAL          | CHAPATHI RICE AND BRINJAL  | 35 | 15   |
| 16 | NAVEEN KUMAR  | BZC 3RD YEAR GADWAL         | CHAPATHI EGG CURRY        | RICE AND TOMATO CURRY     | CHAPATHI AND LADYS FINGER  | 48 | 13   |
| 17 | SAMEERA       | BZCA 3RD YEAR MIDJIL        | CHAPATHI LADYS FINGER     | RICE AND DOL              | RICE AND GREEN VEGETABLES  | 51 | 12.5 |
| 18 | K.AJAY KUMAR  | B.A 2ND YEAR VALLUR         | IDLY/GROUND NUT CHUTNY    | CURD RICE                 | RICE AND BRIJOL            | 50 | 14.6 |
| 19 | D.BHAVANI     | BA 1ST YEAR RANGAREDDY GUDA | CHAPATHI AND TOMATO ONION | RICE AND GREEN VEGETABLES | RICE AND SPINACH           | 52 | 6.8  |
| 20 | P. SURESH     | B.A 1ST YEAR VATTEM         | RICE AND LEAFY VEGETABLES | RICE WITH S[PINACH        | CURD RICE LEAFY VEGETABLES | 58 | 11.5 |

|    |                    |                                   |                                 |                                |                                       |    |      |
|----|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----|------|
| 21 | P.LOKESH           | B.A 1ST YEAR<br>KOTHHUR           | ROTI AND<br>BRIJOL CURRY        | CHPATHI AND<br>TOMATO<br>CURRY | RICE AND<br>CUCUMBER                  | 57 | 12   |
| 22 | K.SHESHIRE<br>KHA  | BZC 3RD YAER<br>JADCHERLA         | ROTI AND BEET<br>ROOT           | RICE AND<br>BEAN               | RICE AND<br>BEAN<br>CURRY             | 40 | 9.8  |
| 23 | S.SANDYA<br>RANI   | MZC 3RD YEAR<br>JADCHERLA         | RICE AND<br>SPINACH<br>ONION    | RICE WITH<br>GREEN BEAN        | CHAPATHI<br>AND GREEN<br>BEAN         | 50 | 10.6 |
| 24 | POOJA SRI          | MZC 3RD YEAR<br>JADCHERLA         | CHAPATHI<br>CUCUMBER            | RICE WITH<br>THOTAKURA         | RICE AND<br>SPINACH                   | 37 | 9.3  |
| 25 | N. ANITHA          | BZC 3RD YEAR<br>BALNAGAR          | ROTI AND<br>BEAN CURRY          | CHAPATHI<br>LADYSFINGER        | RICE AND<br>BOTTLE<br>GUARD           | 39 | 10.6 |
| 26 | P.<br>VASANTHA     | BZC 3RD YEAR<br>MALLEPALLY        | PURI AND<br>KURMA               | RICE WITH<br>CAPSICUM          | RICE AND<br>CAPSICUM                  | 45 | 11.4 |
| 27 | HARI<br>KRISHNA    | B.A 1ST YEAR<br>CHILUR            | IDLY AND<br>GROUNDNUT<br>CHUTNY | RICE WITH<br>CAULI FLOWER      | CURD RICE<br>AND<br>CABBAGE           | 48 | 13.3 |
| 28 | J.SHRAVANI         | B.A 1ST YAER<br>CHINNA<br>ADIRALA | PURI AND<br>POTATO<br>KURMA     | RICE WITH<br>PUMPKIN<br>CURRY  | RICE AND<br>BEAN<br>CURRY             | 54 | 9.8  |
| 29 | S.SHARANY<br>A     | BZCA 3RD YAER<br>JADCHERLA        | IDLY AND<br>GROUNDNUT<br>CHUTNY | POTAPO AND<br>RICE             | RICE/ CURD<br>LEAFY<br>VEGETABLE<br>S | 42 | 16.7 |
| 30 | M. VIJAYA<br>LAXMI | B.A 3RD YEAR<br>MACHANPALLY       | VADA /IDLY<br>TOMATO<br>CURRY   | RICE<br>BITTERDUARD            | RICE WITH<br>DAL AND<br>CURD          | 39 | 9.1  |
| 31 | B.NAVEEN<br>KUMAR  | B.A 1ST YEAR<br>SHADNAGAR         |                                 | RICE WITH<br>CABBAGE           | RICE/CURD<br>RICE<br>CHUTNY           | 55 | 16   |

|    |                         |                                 |                           |                              |                                    |    |      |
|----|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|----|------|
| 32 | RAJESHWAR REDDY         | BZC 3RD YEAR<br>JADCHERLA       | IDLY/GROUND<br>NUT CHUTNY | RICE AND<br>SPINACH          | RICE WITH<br>RADDISH               | 64 | 17.7 |
| 33 | S.KAVYA                 | BZC 3RD YAER<br>JADCHERLA       | DOSA/GROUN<br>DNUT CHUTNY | RICE/BEETROO<br>T            | BEETROOT<br>AND<br>CARROT          | 33 | 14   |
| 34 | K.ANUSHA                | BZC 3RD YEAR<br>KUCHARKAL       | ROTI/ LEAFY<br>VEGETABLES | CHAPATHI<br>AND BEANS        | RICE/<br>BEANS<br>CURRY            | 38 | 10.2 |
| 35 | P.ADHYA<br>VARMA        | BZC 2ND YEAR<br>RANIPET         | IDLY/GROUND<br>NUT CHUTNY | RICE / POTATO                | AMARANTH<br>US MEETHI<br>CURRY     | 56 | 10.4 |
| 36 | V.SUDHEER               | MZC 3RD YEAR<br>CHILUR          | PURI/<br>TOMATO<br>CURRY  | RICE/BEANS                   | BEETROOT<br>AND<br>CARROT<br>CURRY | 63 | 17.3 |
| 37 | E.<br>SANTHOSH<br>REDDY | BZC 3RD YEAR<br>EKVAIPALLY      | UPMA/<br>POTATO           | RICE AND<br>POTATO<br>CURRY  | RICE/CHAP<br>ATHI<br>CHICKEN       | 44 | 12.1 |
| 38 | K.<br>KRISHNAVE<br>NI   | MZC 3RD YEAR<br>SINGAM DHODI    | RICE AND DAL              | RICE AND<br>BRINJOL<br>CURRY | RICE AND<br>BEANS                  | 38 | 8.9  |
| 39 | LADIYA<br>ROSE          | MZC 2ND YEAR<br>JADCHERLA       | RICE AND<br>SPINACH       | ONION/TOMA<br>TO CURRY       | RICE/LEAFY<br>VEGETABLE<br>S       | 53 | 12.3 |
| 40 | K.VINITHA<br>BAI        | MZC 3RD YEAR<br>JADCHERLA       | PURI/<br>TOMATO<br>CURRY  | RICE<br>CHAPATHI<br>CHICKEN  | RICE AND<br>CHICKEN                | 43 | 15.1 |
| 41 | DHANUNJA<br>Y REDDY     | B.COM 1ST<br>YEAR<br>TIMMAJIPET | UPMA<br>/CHUTNY           | RICE /BRINJOL                | RICE AND<br>TOMATO<br>ONION        | 60 | 14.1 |

|    |                      |                                       |                              |                             |                                      |    |      |
|----|----------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----|------|
| 42 | B.SRINU              | B.COM 3RD YEAR<br>JADCHERLA           | VODA/IDLY<br>CHUTNY          | RICE/<br>CABBAGE            | RICE<br>/CHAPATHI<br>CHICKEN         | 63 | 15   |
| 43 | A.JAYASRI            | BZCA 3RD YEAR<br>JADCHERLA            | LEMON RICE                   | RICE<br>/BEETROOT           | RICE/BEETR<br>OOT                    | 39 | 13.7 |
| 44 | SRAVANTHI            | MZC 3RD YEAR<br>GOLLAPPLY             | ROTI/ DAL<br>SPINACH         | RICE/BENIS                  | RICE/BENIS<br>CURRY                  | 39 | 12.9 |
| 45 | SAI SHIVA            | B.COM 3RD<br>YEAR<br>MAHABUBNAG<br>AR | DOSA/<br>CHATNY              | RICE/CAULIFLO<br>WER        | RICE<br>/CHAPATHI<br>CAULIFLOW<br>ER | 50 | 11.4 |
| 46 | A.RAJESHW<br>AR GOUD | B.COM 3RD<br>YEAR<br>CHENNAMPALL<br>Y | PURI/POTATO<br>CURRY         | RICE AND<br>CABBAGE         | RICE AND<br>CABBAGE<br>CURRY         | 53 | 14.1 |
| 47 | K.ASHWINI            | MZC 3RD YEAR<br>DHODLAPALLY           | CHAPATHI<br>WITH<br>CUCUMBER | RICE AND<br>BOTTLE<br>GUARD | RICE AND<br>BOTTLE<br>GUARD          | 39 | 11   |
| 48 | YUGENDER<br>REDDY    | MZC 3RD YEAR<br>BURGUL                | FRIED RICE<br>/SPINACH       | RICE /<br>CHICKEN           | RICE/<br>CHICKEN                     | 68 | 16.8 |
| 49 | TAZAINA<br>MAHUEEN   | MZC 3RD YAER<br>JADCHERLA             | UPMA /CHILLY<br>POWDER       | RICE / CAULI<br>FLOWER      | RICE/<br>CAULIFLOW<br>ER             | 74 | 10.7 |
| 50 | P.ASHOK              | MZC 3RD YEAR<br>JADCHERLA             | CHAPATHI<br>/POTATO<br>CURRY | RICE/ DRUM<br>STICK DAL     | RICE AND<br>CHICKEN                  | 54 | 17.4 |

## CONCLUSION

### CHAPTER-5

As an above noted, it is of vital importance to reduce the prevalence of anemia world wide and in Ghana specifically, and the most impactful solutions will be those tailored to individual populations. This study highlights the truth of this concept. Effective solution to the global epidemic of anemia should be tailored not only from region to region or country to country, but to individual populations within those countries. Despite the nation's relatively small geographic size, our data show a marked difference in anemia prevalence b/w some of the groups studied within Ghana. This has shown to be related to other nutrition-related issues as well. The low levels of hemoglobin in this population may be true health issues, but could also be indicative of poor diet quality overall. In addition to anemia, including iron deficiency anemia (IDA), Ghanaians are at risk for a number of nutritional deficiencies and diseases, including calcium and B-vitamin deficiencies as well as type 2 diabetes; yet studies have shown that there is no "one-size-fits-all" approach to alleviating these problems. Nutrition education initiatives aimed at increasing consumption of locally available foods rich in iron and Vitamin C, and other micronutrients that are lacking should be undertaken to empower local population and decrease prevalence of iron deficiency in Ghana. The anemia in Ghana that is a result of low hemoglobin (HB) value of students which is about consumption of vegetables which most of the students which they consume is good in hemoglobin value and most of the boys are good percentage of 50 students.

25 boys

25 girls

out of 25 boys the 19 boys have a go average hemoglobin value.

which only 6 boys have below average hemoglobin value.

but girls are which out of 25 girls which have 12 girls have average hemoglobin value.

that 10 out of 25 girls 13 girls have below average hemoglobin level

|       | Average | above average | Below average | total |
|-------|---------|---------------|---------------|-------|
| Boys  | 16      | 2             | 67            | 25    |
| Girls | 8       | 4             | 13            | 25    |

out of 25 girls they have only 30% of girls having average hb value and 10% of girls having above average HB value and most of 60% of girls have below average of HB value and they all are have less HB value of another some health issues and they are irregular of vegetable consumption

then out of 25 boys they have 70% of boys having average HB value and only 25% of boys which have below average HB value and which have only 5% of above average HB value

|       | Average% | Below average% | Above average% | total |
|-------|----------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| Boys  | 70%      | 25%            | 5%             | 100%  |
| Girls | 30%      | 60%            | 10%            | 100%  |

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