Figure 1: Flowchart of participants' recruitment

6922 pregnant mothers participated in the first study

4577 mothers interviewed 2 months after delivery

4505 mothers had living children

2345 did not participate (either could not be reached or were reluctant to participate)

72 mothers lost their baby, still birth or neonatal death

1708 (37.9%) had NVD

1457 (85.3%) Planned NVD

Routine NVD (1417) 96.6%

Painless NVD 24 (1.6%)

Physiologic NVD (16; 1.1)

NVD in water (10; 0.7)

2797 (62.1%) had C-section

1798 (64.3%) Planned C-section

Due previous C-section; 614 (33.4%)

Due to maternal request; 420 (23.8%)

Due to maternal complications; 365 (20.2%)

Due to fetal problems; 304 (16.6%)

Due to maternal and fetal problems; 34 (1.9%)

Gynaecologist's inclination; 74 (4.1%)