Figure 1: Flowchart of participants' recruitment 6922 pregnant mothers participated in the first study 2345 did not participate (either could not be reached or were reluctant to participate) 4577 mothers interviewed 2 months after delivery 72 mothers lost their baby, still birth or neonatal death 4505 mothers had living children 1708 (37.9%) had NVD 2797 (62.1%) had C-section 1457 (85.3%) Planned NVD 1798 (64.3%) Planned C-section Due previous C-section; 614 Routine NVD (1417) 96.6%) (33.4%) Due to maternal request; Painless NVD 24 (1.6%) 420 (23.8%) Due to maternal complications; Physiologic NVD (16; 1.1) 365 (20.2%) Due to fetal problems; 304 NVD in water (10; 0.7) (16.6%) Due to maternal and fetal problems; 34 (1.9%) Gynaecologist's inclination; 74 (4.1%)