Cord blood plasma zinc level Infant birth weight group χ^2 -test P-value LBW Normal (n=134) (n=134)

6.7

6.7

9.0

0.7

0.031

	No.	%	No.	%		
Normal	116	86.6	121	90.3	6.93	

Table 4 Cord blood plasma zinc levels in low-birth-weight (LBW) and normal-birth-weight (NBW) infants

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Mild to moderate zinc deficiency

Severe zinc deficiency