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This study explores the relationship between paternal informal migration and nutritional status of children in India using data from the NFHS-5.

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The NFHS-5 offers rich data on social determinants of health, which, if addressed, could go a long way in reducing the prevalence of nutritional anaemia in India. Doing away with data on anaemia would be a blunder and takes away the opportunity to address a condition that has a significant clinical, social and economic impact. — Sylvia Karpagam

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