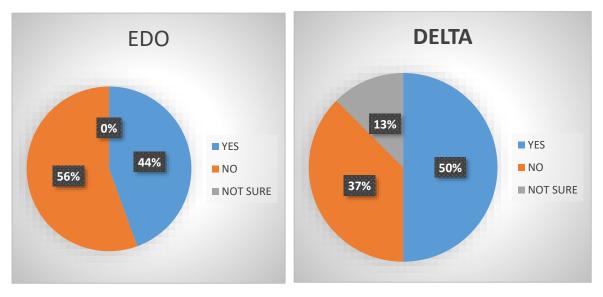
INTEGRATING SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE INFORMATION AND RESOURCES FOR SUSTAINED EFFORTS TO EMPOWER NIGERIAN GIRLS (Project INSPIRE)

BASELINE SURVEY ANALYSIS FOR THE STAKEHOLDERS IN SRHR MATTERS IN EDO AND DELTA STATES.

The baseline survey was done to understand the perception of the citizens of Edo and Delta states on unsafe abortion and its consequences. Stakeholders in SRHR matters were selected in each of the states to represent the whole. These stakeholders were representatives from relevant groups like Ministry of Health in each of the states, Education Commission, Health Care Professionals, Ministry of Women Affairs and their like.

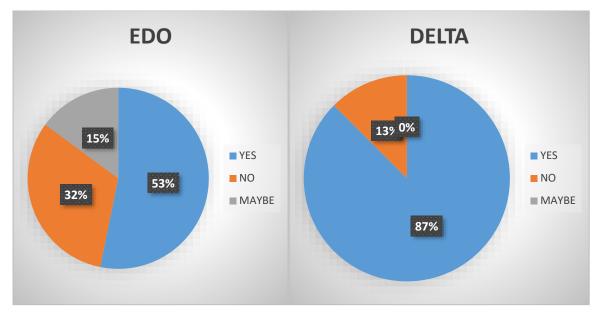
Below are the questions used for the survey and the responses obtained from the participants in each of the states:



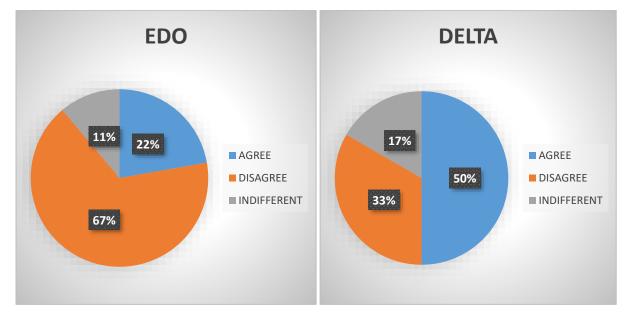
1. Do you think all pregnancies must be carried to full term?

**Most respondents here say they would only approve abortion if the life of the mother is in danger

2. Can you openly discuss abortion with adolescents and young women?



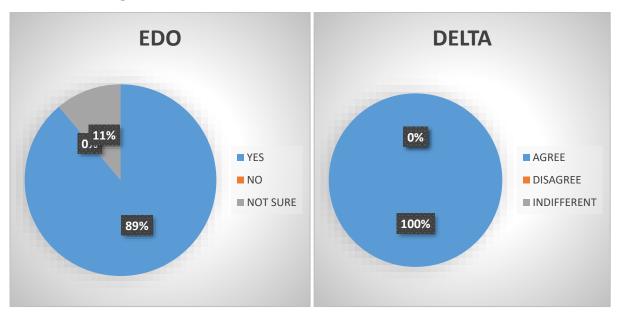
**This means people think it is important to have this discussions. We need to encourage this especially among the few population who think it is not right



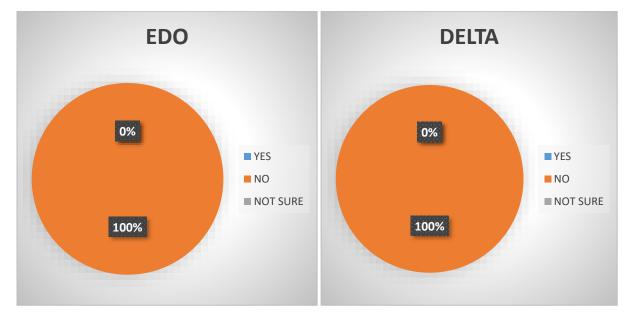
3. Abortion (safe and unsafe) is murder and should be criminalised

**The bias on abortion is still very high out there. Even though some do not agree it is murder, they still feel it should be criminalised.

4. Comprehensive Sex Education (CSE) can help to guide adolescents and young women against unsafe abortion



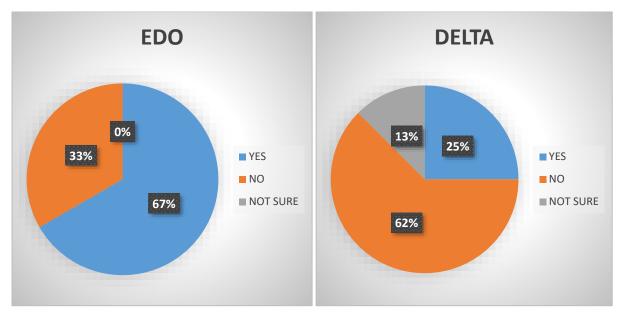
**CSE stands to be one the strongest strategies in reducing unsafe abortion and its consequences among adolescents



5. Do you think all unwanted pregnancies are a result of promiscuity?

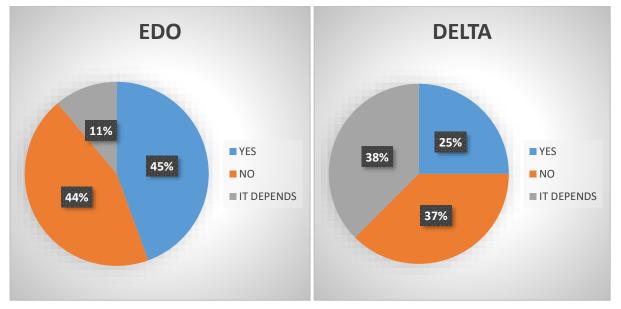
**It is great to find out that people have now detached promiscuity from abortion. In the past years, anyone who is known to have or have had an abortion was noted to be promiscuous

6. Do you believe abortion is a moral issue?

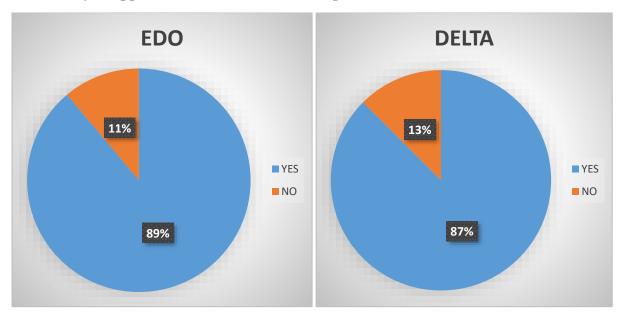


**People tend to stigmatise anyone who has had an abortion. We can change this narrative by media sensitization and sensitization of other stakeholders

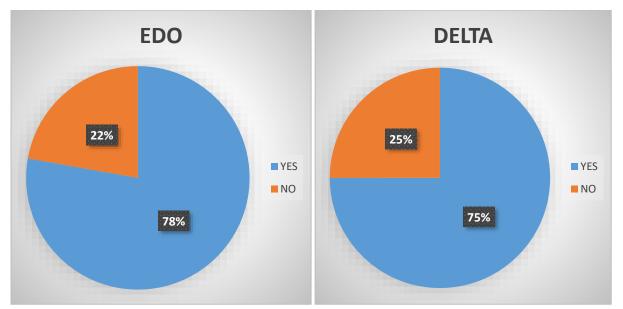
7. Would you advice Safe Abortion for a woman/girl who does not have the money to go through with the pregnancy (i.e pills, healthy meals, support)?



**People are still not seeing reasons why abortion should be a choice for the pregnant person. Even though we do not put it up as a first option, it could be a better option compared to other mishaps that may occur. 8. Do you approve the use of birth control pills?

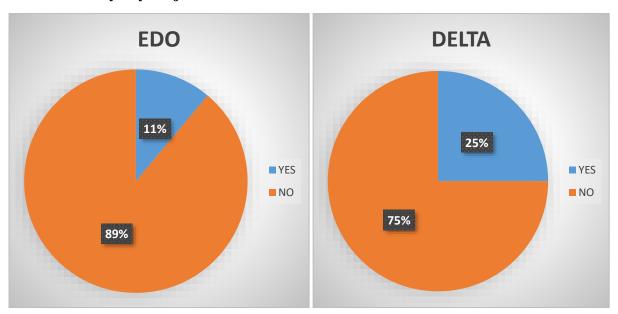


**More people approve this but most of the same people do not approve abortion as a choice. However, both practices could be for the control of when to have a baby and when not to



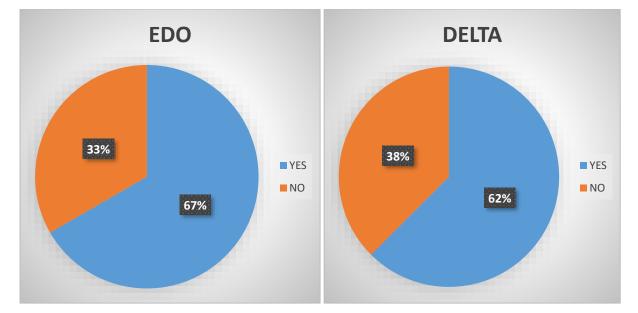
9. Safe abortion services should be made available and accessible in every health care facility

**Even though some people do not approve abortion as a choice or option, they would rather it is done with little or no consequences. So, having safe abortion services in health facilities would be a welcome development to reduce the deaths and other consequences from other unsafe abortion methods.



10. If you were a medical practitioner, would your morals interfere with the necessity of your job?

**Medical practitioners will have to be sensitized on how to keep moral sentiments aside in the delivery of their job



11. If you were a medical practitioner who would not offer safe abortion services, would you refer a client in need of abortion to a facility where they can get it?

**We still have adamant medical practitioners who would not even make a referral. More sensitization!!!

12. How many cases of death, disability or psychological disadvantage as a result of abortion do you know of in your community? (specify number please)

EDO	DELTA
84	12

**The figures here are just from the respondents who could give a precise number. Some of them wrote responded that they too numerous to keep count

13. Do you think there is a difference between abortion and miscarriage except for the fact that abortion is done on purpose?

Even though some respondents said yes to this question, they could not bring forth any other difference other than the one stated in the question. However, one person thinks the duration of the foetus in the womb determines what the termination would be called. Another respondent said "abortion is killing while miscarriage is undeliberate".