



Health of Migrant Labour: A Comprehensive Bibliometric Review of Scientific Literature from 1986 to 2020

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ABSTRACT:

seven different zones in which the MMR region is divided. The study also suggests the need for introduction of healthcare schemes to economize the treatment of healthcare diseases for migrant labor in MMR region.

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1. Introduction

Migration is a state where a person dislocates from his place of residence to another place in search of work, better employment opportunities and better pay (Haider 2016). High amount of opportunities in Western India like Maharashtra, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh have witnessed great amount of migration due to these factors. (Chakrabarti and Chaudhury, 2007) From these states, Maharashtra witnesses the higher amount of migration and Mumbai forms the epicentre of migration for workers, laborers who migrate into Mumbai in search of better employment opportunities and better pay. Lack of opportunities and good pay are the detrimental factors which have led to the higher amount of migration in the last decade. (Aregbeshola and Khan, 2018; Deepak et al., 2018). Migration has its own set of challenges

which the migrant labor face as they migrate to the different parts of the country. (Indian Medical Association, 2018). Health and healthcare are the major causes of concern for the migrant class. Better living conditions and sedentary lifestyle contribute to the medical disorders which the migrant labor face during their tenure of service in the area where they migrate into. (World Health Organization, 2019). Health is a major aspect which needs to be considered as a matter of study as it involves lot of repercussions like loss of work, loss of pay and loss of health lifestyle for the migrant labor. (Haider et al., 2017). Health conditions require healthcare facilities for their treatment. High amount of migration creates a niche for development of new healthcare facilities which cater to the healthcare needs of the migrant population. (Bloom et al., 2001; Letamo and Rakgoasi, 2003). These healthcare facilities should succeed in the endeavour to provide qualitative healthcare services which are affordable in nature and can solve the healthcare challenges faced by the migrant population. This study is focussed on all these aspects pertaining to migrant health. Details of each aspect are covered in the forthcoming chapters. (Bloom et al., 2001; Letamo and Rakgoasi, 2003). According to Indian Medical Association, a Healthcare disease commonly known as a heart disease is common term for diseases related to the heart or blood vessels. It is related with accumulation of fats inside the veins resulting in a higher risk of blood clots. Healthcare diseases are attributed to damage in arteries in various organs of the body (Saxena et al., 2013). In Mumbai, migrant labor has increasingly witnessed Healthcare diseases. Around 68% cases of the illnesses suffered by the migrant labor in Mumbai during 2011-2021 were related to Healthcare diseases. (Indian Medical Association). Stressful work conditions and long working hours accompanied with lack of proper diet form the major cause of Healthcare diseases amongst the migrant labor. Treatment for Healthcare ailments constitutes 36% of an average migrant income. This puts Mumbai amongst the top 8 cities worldwide in relation to the amount expended by the migrant worker for treating the Healthcare diseases (World Health Organization). This indeed has a long-lasting and devastating impact on the overall healthcare expenses incurred by a migrant laborer's family. Such an economic burden has left less amount of disposable income in the hands of migrant labor for spending on the necessities of the migrant labor and his/her family (Saxena et al., 2013). As per Central Statistical organization survey report 2019, a migrant labor spends around 41% of its disposal income on healthcare expenses of which around 79% is on account of treatment of Healthcare diseases (Saxena et al., 2013).

2. Literature Review

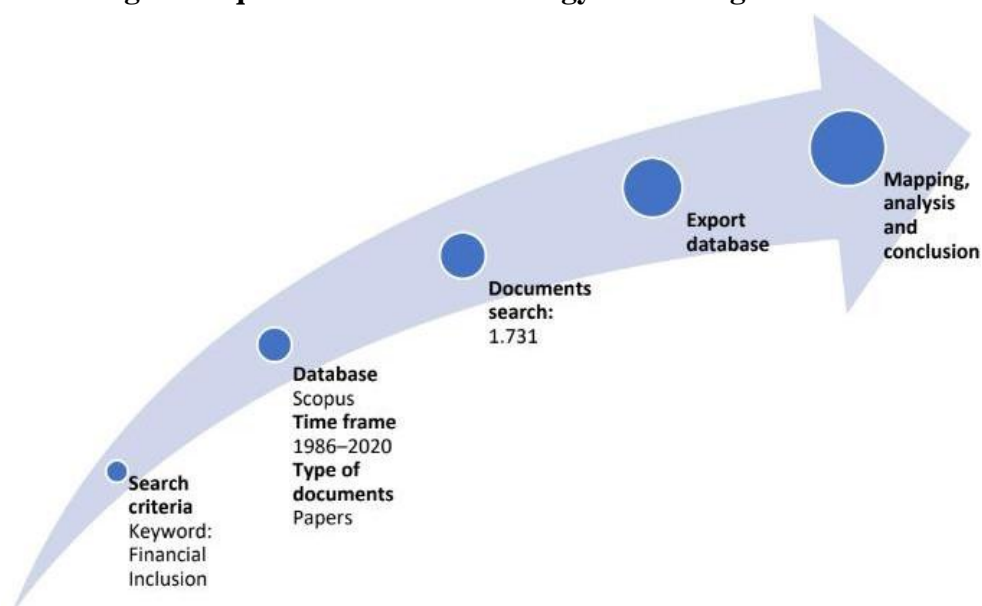
The present section provides an overview on the various issues related to the present study through the review of studies which already carried out both at national and international level. The various studies pertaining to healthcare of migrant labours have been categorized as under: Migrant health is a social phenomenon and a medical event where utilization of health care services by migrant labours is influenced by many factors but education, social status of household and economic condition of household are found to be the highly significant (Chakrabarti and Chaudhury, 2007; Chhabra et al., 2011; Kulkarni and Durge 2013; Sanneving et al., 2013; Saxena et al., 2013; Nigatu et al., 2014; Adhikari, 2016; Haddad et al., 2016; Aregbeshola and Khan, 2018; Deepak et al., 2018). Education plays a vital role in the utilization of health care services by migrant labours. Many studies have found that higher a migrant labour is educated, more is his/her likelihood to utilize the health care services (Letamo and Rakgoasi, 2003; Chhabra et al., 2011; Adhikari, 2016; Shahabuddin et al., 2017; Haider et al., 2017). Other factors like, location of residence viz. urban or rural, household monthly income, main occupation of household also influence utilization of health care positively (Bloom et al., 2001; Letamo and Rakgoasi, 2003; Chhabra

et al., 2011; Nigatu et al., 2014; Singh et al., 2014; Adhikari, 2016; Shahabuddin et al., 2017; Haider et al., 2017; Aregbeshola and Khan, 2018). Beside all these factors, demographic factors like age, caste, and religion; availability of rooms, number of clinical visits and amplification of public health infrastructure also influence the utilization of healthcare services by migrant labours (Chhabra et al., 2011; Sanneving et al., 2013; Singh et al., 2014; Adhikari, 2016; Deepak et al., 2018) One more factor i.e. women autonomy also plays a major role in the direct relation with the utilization pattern of health care services by female migrant labours. Women having high autonomy are more likely to use the health care services themselves. (Bloom et al., 2001; Adhikari, 2016; Haider et al., 2017). Factor like poverty inversely influence the utilization of healthcare services (Bloom et al., 2001; Letamo and Rakgoasi, 2003; Saxena et al., 2013).

3. Materials and Methods

The paper which is under research study is presented in the format of the analysis which is bibliometric in nature, as a method of study dealing with the identification, organisation and analysis and synthesis of the prime aspects for the topic under research. Under this method, research papers published on migrant health and Healthcare diseases were studied and major aspects of migrant health and rise in Healthcare diseases amongst migrant labour are primarily considered to ensure that they benefit the researchers to understand the overall health of migrant health in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region and the type of medical conditions which they are exposed to during the course of time. Main databased to the related information camp were referred and there has been an analysis and synthesis from the website of Scopus was used to select and summarise majority of the research works available on the topic and the which met the requirements which are qualitative in nature for the purpose of the technical reviewed standards. The bibliometric study was undertaken, with a coverage ranging 35 years from 1986 to 2020 which was in tandem with the earlier similar type of studies undertaken. Sample for the study was based on 1,731 studied papers meeting the selection standards. This knowledge collected revealing highly producing nations and centres as far as this research was considered. It also factored in the collaborations made internationally across the networks which were involved via most commonly used identifiable that are considered the recent study patterns.

Figure 1: Logical Sequence of the methodology used along with the criteria selected

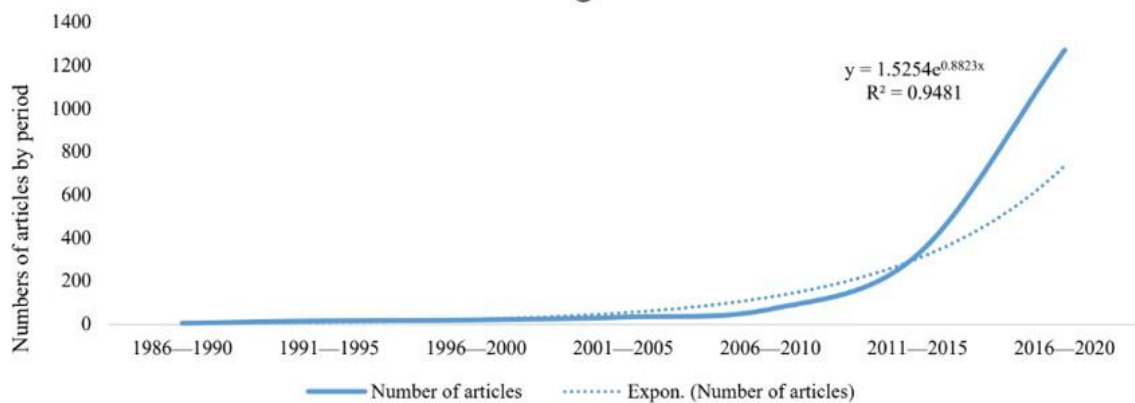


The above analysis was enabled as a result of the VOSviewer software tool being used as a catalyst for generation of network maps at an indicator level. It involved the processing and grouping of the information available for analysis.

4. Results

This section focusses on the assessment of the output generated out of the study on migrant health and the rise of Healthcare diseases amongst the migrant labor in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region. The assessment includes count of articles published divided at country, citations and journal level. Data stated above indicates the increase in the research articles during the period from 1986 to 2020. 4 articles were published during 1986 to 1990 followed by 15 articles which were published during 1991 to 1995, 19 articles during 1996 to 2000, 32 articles during 2001 to 2005, 69 articles during 2006 to 2010. It was followed by a dramatic increase in number of research articles published to 322 during the period between 2011 to 2015 and 1270 during the period between 2016 to 2020. The number of articles published represented 73.37% of the total publications during the entire period. (See Figure 2).

Figure 2: Evolution of number of articles during the study period



From 2006, the growth has been exponential. One factor which has a prime consideration is the rise in the Healthcare diseases by which the migrant labor is affected. The stressful working conditions and the long working conditions were attributed as the prime factors which lead to the rise in the extent of Healthcare diseases amongst the migrant labor in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region. This has led to the dire need for analysing the reasons behind this which has led to a steep increase in the number of articles published on the related topic during the period from 2006 to 2020 as compared to the period prior to that. Further, there has also been an overall increase in the migration into Mumbai Metropolitan Region from different parts of the country which has led to increase in the number of immigrants into the Mumbai Metropolitan Region which has led to the increase in the problems faced by the migrant labor. This has necessitated the requirement for studies being published related to the migrant labor and different aspects of migrant health.

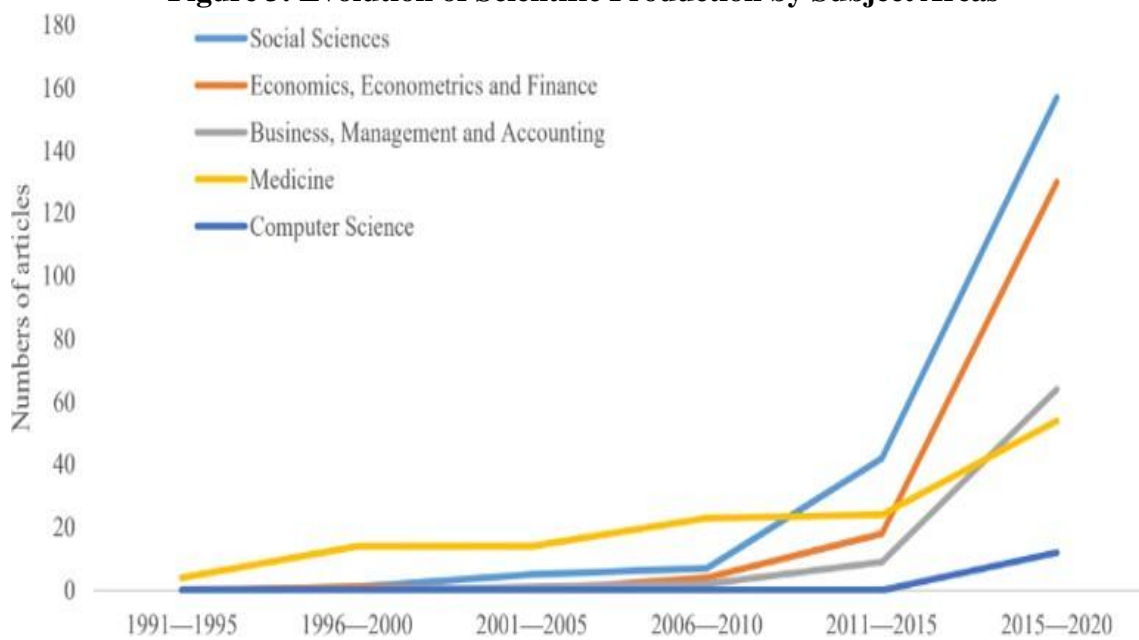
Prior to 1986, only Dandekar (1976) and Perry and Challoner (1981) had studied the concept of migrant health and these papers were basically oriented towards to access to the healthcare services to the migrant labor in the different parts of the world with prime focus on metro cities and their adjoining area like the Mumbai Metropolitan Region. During the study period, 3831 authors published research articles on the subject of migrant health, in a rising trend that which was identical to the other articles. As a result, the count of authors with articles published in the last five years considered (2016–2020) represents 68.36% out of the

overall population studied. The mean count of authors for every single study also rose during this time frame, from 1.3 in 1986–1990 to 2.1 in 2016–2020.

Area-wise development of articles:

This section focuses on the analysis of the number of publications that happened in the area under study during the study period. It also considers the main thematic areas which were considered during the study period for the related topic under study. From the period 1987 to 2020, the search for articles resulted in the identification of 24 thematic areas of knowledge addressed in 1731 articles which were spooled from the database of Scopus. However, there were few articles that were only related to a single area of the topic under study, which were also considered as a part of this bibliometric study. The below figure highlights the process of evolution of publication based on the five main subject areas which are a part of the study.

Figure 3: Evolution of Scientific Production by Subject Areas



As can be observed from the above figure, it can be seen that the majority of the articles were published under the subject area of social sciences (774 articles being 26.6% of the total population of the articles). It was followed by the domain area of Economics, Econometrics, and Finance with a contribution of 766 articles being 26.32% of the total population of articles published. It was further followed by the subject area of Business, Management, and Accounting with an article count of 469 articles being 16.12% of the total population which was succeeded by the articles published under the subject area of medicine and computer science with 7.29% and 3.75% publications out of the total population.

Author-wise Contributions:

This section mainly focuses on the contributions made by various authors for the topic under study during the study period. This section highlights the authors and their output in terms of publications that were made by the particular author. Authors' productivity is measured with the help of network maps.

Table 2: Author-wise contributions

AU	A	TC	TC/A	Institution	C	1st A	Last A	H Index
SA Asongu	18	175	9.72	University of South Africa	South Africa	2016	2020	8
JC Munene	17	100	5.88	Makerere University	Uganda	2016	2020	3
JM Ntayi	13	105	8.08	Makerere University	Uganda	2016	2020	2
CBG Okello	13	80	6.15	Makerere University	Uganda	2016	2020	2
S Ghosh	11	83	7.55	Qatar Central Bank	Qatar	2016	2020	2
T Friedline	8	91	11.38	University of Michigan	United States	2012	2020	4
CA Malinga	8	76	9.50	Makerere University	Uganda	2017	2019	1
JY Abor	7	75	10.71	University of Ghana	Ghana	2016	2020	2
M Bhuvana	7	23	3.29	Vels Institute of Science, Technology & Advanced Studies	India	2016	2019	4
J Birkenmaier	7	33	4.71	St. Louis University	United States	2016	2020	3

(AU): Author; (A): Number of articles published; (TC) Number of citations; (TC/A): Average number of citations per article; (C): Country; (1st A): Year of first publication; (Last A): Year of most recent publication; (H index): Hirst index score in this research area.

The above table highlights the author-wise contributions made for the topic under study during the period studied. It indicates the most productive researcher in the field of Healthcare diseases amongst migrant laborers. SA Asongu was the most productive and active researcher in the field of migrant labor and the rise in the risk of Healthcare diseases faced by migrant labor. He was succeeded by JC Munene, JM Ntayi, CBG Okello with 100, 105 and 80 total citations respectively. The most recent author who made the publication on the said topic was CA Malinga and the publication was made in the year 2017. Since then, he has occupied a space amongst active researchers on the topic under study. His recent appearances have made him a prolific researcher in this field. Amongst the above authors eight authors have been working on the topic of migrant labor and rise in Healthcare diseases amongst migrant labor since past seven years.

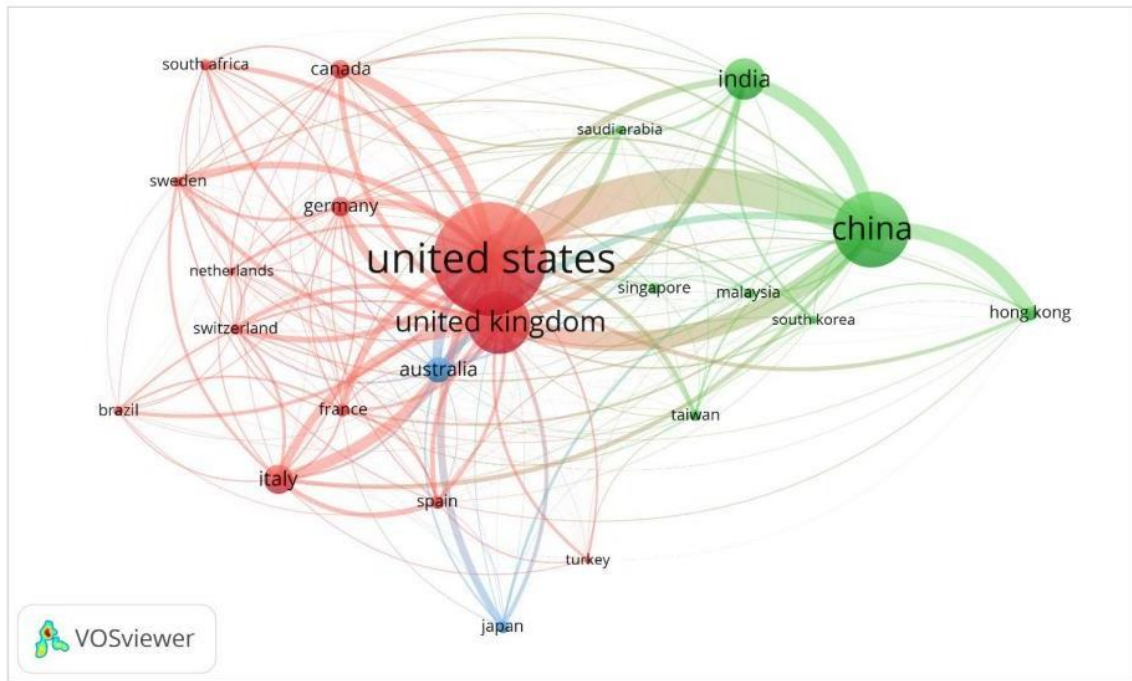
Table 3: Country-wise contributions

Country	A	TC	TC/A	H Index	At						
					1986–1990	1991–1995	1996–2000	2001–2005	2006–2010	2011–2015	2016–2020
India	356	1629	4.58	77	0	0	0	1	11	79	265
USA	347	5570	16.05	92	2	14	12	16	18	83	202
UK	183	2462	13.45	58	0	0	3	3	16	38	123
S Africa	86	468	5.44	28	0	0	0	0	0	15	71
China	82	539	6.57	19	0	0	0	2	1	4	75
Nigeria	69	259	3.75	18	0	0	0	0	0	5	64
Australia	68	694	10.21	17	0	0	0	1	5	14	48
France	58	625	10.78	17	0	0	0	2	2	11	43
Indonesia	52	128	2.46	6	0	0	0	0	1	5	46
Ghana	51	274	5.37	17	0	0	0	1	0	6	44

(C): Country; (A) Number of articles published; (R): Rank by number of articles published in the sub-period considered; (TC): Number of citations; (TC/A): Number of citations per article; (H index): Hirsch index score on the research topic; (At) number of articles published in the same five years.

Network visualisation map shows the largest set of international research collaboration among the active countries in the field of Healthcare diseases and migrant health. It is formed by three clusters. The map shows the countries with greatest number of co-authored publications represented by circle of publications were United States, China and United Kingdom. The thickness of the line connecting countries represents the strength of research collaboration between two countries. Figure 4 below shows the country-wise contributions made for the topic under study in the form of a network map.

Figure 4: Country-wise Contributions made by Subject Areas



Major contributions were made in India with a total count of articles of 573 with an average article citation of 143.25 followed by China with a total article count of 429 and an average article citation of 25.24. India and China were followed by other countries like the USA, Australia, Canada, Italy, Hongkong, South Africa, Netherlands, and Germany with a total article count of 283, 126, 96, 71, 69, 62, 49, and 31 respectively with an average article citation rate of 11.79, 15.75, 13.71, 17.75, 34.50, 62.00, 24.50, and 6.20 respectively. India and China lead the table with major country-wise contributions majorly due to the requirement of research envisaged due to the conditions necessitating the research on the said topic. With the little occurrence of Healthcare diseases and comparatively lesser migration as compared to India and China, countries like the USA, Australia, Canada, Italy, Hongkong, South Africa, Netherlands, and Germany contribute a lesser number of articles with lower average article citation rates as compared to India and China.

Table 4: Co-word Network Analysis on Migrant Health and Healthcare Diseases

Node	Cluster	Betweenness	Closeness	Page Rank
Female	1	20.7659676	0.019607843	0.044522963
Human	1	63.62693901	0.020408163	0.064080354
Male	1	21.59437957	0.019607843	0.045650887
Adult	1	17.72554816	0.019607843	0.042858433
Humans	1	61.74662992	0.020408163	0.062396706
Middle aged	1	10.71397269	0.019230769	0.033767757
Article	1	37.36961725	0.020000000	0.047352375
Migrant	1	15.10103082	0.019230769	0.036967538
Young adult	1	3.938126371	0.018867925	0.024800477

Prevalence	1	4.406959126	0.01754386	0.020173944
Aged	1	2.26358638	0.017857143	0.018831587
Adolescent	1	3.29815194	0.017857143	0.021501971
China	1	2.137079587	0.016949153	0.017809852
Emigrants and immigrants	1	5.362486018	0.01754386	0.024896938
United states	1	0.935779308	0.015384615	0.013056432
Cost of illness	1	0.504499965	0.015384615	0.01387289
Major clinical study	1	5.388661758	0.018181818	0.025616843
Controlled study	1	4.317129548	0.018518519	0.023348631
Cross-sectional study	1	3.285931302	0.016949153	0.021615972
Health care delivery	1	0.946528361	0.015625	0.014530542
Mental health	1	0.69301382	0.014492754	0.011170085
Rural population	1	0.390701492	0.015384615	0.012473595
Child	1	0.047956443	0.013513514	0.009112972
Health insurance	1	0.33666001	0.014492754	0.011809606
Immigrant	1	0.237644638	0.013513514	0.011310417
Health care cost	1	0.825015733	0.015873016	0.014743973
Health services accessibility	1	0.59546622	0.015384615	0.013051207
Health status	1	0.492797793	0.013888889	0.009647061
Risk factor	1	0.690179504	0.015625	0.014030086
Ethnology	1	1.673090865	0.016666667	0.015818641
Priority journal	1	1.141608516	0.015151515	0.012364706
Canada	1	0.044218149	0.012658228	0.00744717
Questionnaire	1	0.920337135	0.015873016	0.013937406
Anxiety	1	0	0.011904762	0.005549542
Hypertension	1	0.01046266	0.012658228	0.006488417
Medically uninsured	1	0.037473808	0.013333333	0.006866747

Migrant worker	1	0.083997312	0.012820513	0.007505933
Psychology	1	0.962215662	0.016129032	0.014098598
Migration	2	21.45100855	0.02	0.033303129
Transients and migrants	2	15.75630103	0.019230769	0.028073724
Economics	2	5.454876577	0.016949153	0.020027384
Tuberculosis	2	0.340420788	0.014925373	0.011075573
Public health	2	0.996925636	0.014705882	0.011445092
Demography	2	3.11554866	0.016949153	0.014003062
Socioeconomic factors	2	1.734570469	0.016666667	0.013885655
Socioeconomics	2	1.499214015	0.016393443	0.012821867
Emigration and immigration	2	1.275532803	0.013888889	0.010413722
Australia	3	0.132948841	0.011904762	0.005831164
Population dynamics	3	0.036975364	0.011494253	0.005417556

The above table highlights the co-word network analysis on migrant health and Healthcare diseases. It provides an insight into the identification of cluster, the betweenness, closeness, and page rank against each node which relates to the topic under study on migrant labor and the rise in Healthcare diseases amongst migrant laborers during the period under study. The above co-word network analysis signifies the two keywords of interest which have co-occurred within the same article being studied which depict a certain degree of bibliometric relationship amongst the topic under study to which the keywords used relate. It provides a collective interconnection of terms based on the pairing of these terms based on the specified unit of text. This in turn helps to map the research trends related to the rise in Healthcare diseases amongst migrant labor during the period under study.

Table 5: Most Frequent Words Used During Analysis of Migrant Health and Healthcare Diseases

Words	Occurrences
Female	88
Human	86
Male	86
Adult	84
Humans	81

Thus, the shortcomings felt by the main articles reviewed affected richness in current research. An enabler for development and suggested process and structured for conclusive and holistic research of healthcare.

Limitations

There exist shortcomings related to study. Main reason for excluding the studies put forth as papers read in conference and the ones which were published in non-peer reviewed journals. Exclusion of above text, prejudices were brought in into the review. Moreover, the main shortcoming in the current study is the lack of articles displayed in the different parts of the country. Further, published literature is very less in number. Finally, heterogenous nature of the material and methods used in estimation of cost were not similar. As a result, conduct of analysis related to metadata lacked feasibility.

Inferences:

The discussion pertains to rising economic impact of Healthcare diseases on the migrant labor in Mumbai Metropolitan Region. Observations suggest that the hospitalization rate and income level of the individual are opposite in nature meaning that migrant labor with higher income levels afford quality healthcare infrastructure for the treatment of Healthcare diseases. Suggestions have been made which relate to few policies related issues to help match with the rising economic pressure of the cost of healthcare. Dearth was felt to create awareness through campaigns on need for healthcare and the related risk factors on not resorting to healthcare. The impact of rising cost of healthcare can be monitored by creating innovative healthcare policies. Complications pertaining to healthcare include health disorders which coupled with the above measures require changes in diet, physical exercises, awareness and behavioural traits which in turn can enable the reduction of economic pressure.

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