

Table 3 Selected pregnancy outcome variables in relation to abuse during pregnancy

Variable	Abused (n = 153) Mean (SD)	Non-abused (n = 160) Mean (SD)	P-value
Mother's weight gain (kg)	9.5 (3.7)	10.9 (3.3)	0.01
Haemoglobin (g/dL)	12.4 (0.7)	12.2 (0.9)	NS
Frequency of prenatal care (no. of visits)	10.3 (2.2)	11.5 (1.9)	0.007
First prenatal care visit (months)	2.3 (1.6)	2.3 (1.8)	NS
	No. (%)	No. (%)	
PROM	48 (31.4)	27 (16.9)	0.006
Dystocia	40 (26.1)	23 (14.4)	0.01

SD = standard deviation; NS = not significant.

PROM = premature rupture of membranes.