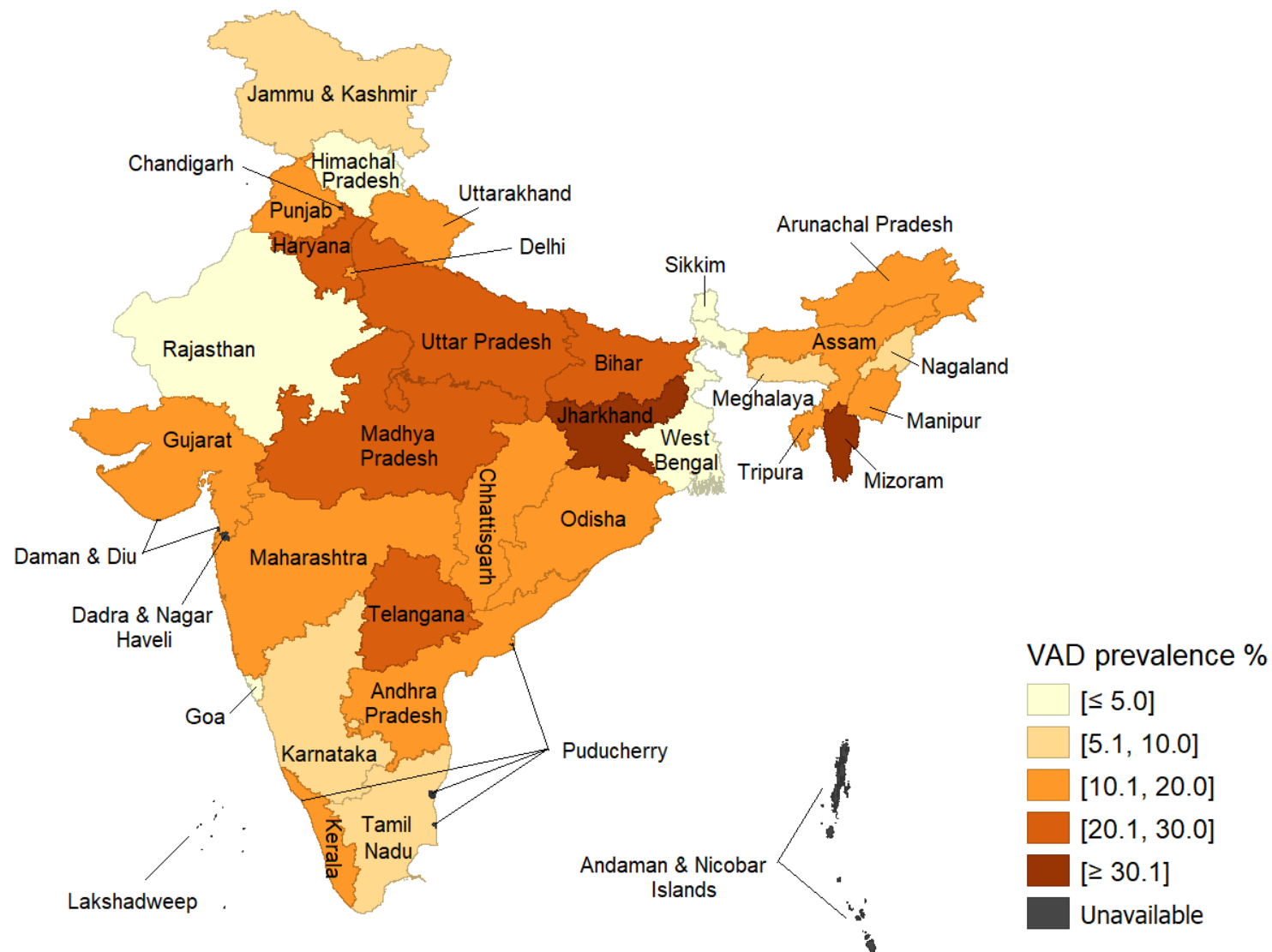


## Supplementary material 1. State-wise prevalence of vitamin A deficiency (VAD) among children aged 1–5 years in India.

State/ Union territory	VAD prevalence (%) <sup>†</sup>
Andhra Pradesh	16.9
Arunachal Pradesh	10.3
Assam	17.9
Bihar	22.8
Chhattisgarh	19.0
Delhi	19.0
Goa	1.9
Gujarat	12.7
Haryana	21.9
Himachal Pradesh	2.0
Jammu & Kashmir	7.5
Jharkhand	32.8
Karnataka	8.8
Kerala	12.6
Madhya Pradesh	23.1
Maharashtra	10.3
Manipur	14.1
Meghalaya	5.7
Mizoram	40.8
Nagaland	5.3
Odisha	16.4
Punjab	15.5
Rajasthan	0.7
Sikkim	4.0
Tamil Nadu	8.8
Telangana	28.6
Tripura	15.1
Uttar Pradesh	20.5
Uttarakhand	11.2
West Bengal	4.6



(Prevalence data on VAD was unavailable in Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Chandigarh, Daman & Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Lakshadweep, Puducherry)

<sup>†</sup> The estimates of VAD prevalence were available from the following report:

Reddy GB, Pullakhandam R, Ghosh S, Bioraju NK, Tattari S, Laxmaiah A, *et al.* (2021). Vitamin A deficiency among children younger than 5 y in India: an analysis of national data sets to reflect on the need for vitamin A supplementation. *Am J Clin Nutr*; 113: 939-947. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ajcn/nqaa314>