

**Interviewer:** so can I start by showing you these photos?

**Participant:** the G, and also this one sometimes, this one will be treated which is on head by the ketoconazole shampoo and tablet.

**Translator:** is it common here?

**Participant:** yea it's much in number and common here. And they call it "ikirk" it's very common here and very distributed. And the drug is not available here. And even I told two person right now that there is no medicine while am talking with you. It's very common in [region name].

**Translator:** she said that she came across, the G and I, these she said that treated with ketoconazole shampoo. And the tablet this one is too common at this moment and even we don't have a drug for that. It's very common here and especially in this district, it's getting beyond our capacity. The drug is also not available it's BPL. And it's called "ikirk" itching.

**Interviewer:** is it an antifungal drug?

**Participant:** it happens because of the problem of hygiene. It's just through lice, contact, hotness and the wound has a pus inside. If it fluid had contact to other body part it can disseminate easily.

**Translator:** about the disease its not fungal infection. It came from hygiene problem. If they didn't keep their hygiene, it's from the lice, and hot temperature and it spread when the nodule: burst, oozed and touched other body. It can transmit and disseminate.

**Participant 2:** it's very common at this time and the drug is BBL, but we can't get this drug at this time.

**Interviewer:** have you ever been able to find it.

**Participant:** we can't get that

**Participant 2:** this case was here before sometime, and now it's also common, in [region name].

**Interviewer:** what about this one, is it bad disease for people?

**Participant:** its common fungal disease, and they will lose their hair

**Translator:** some people will lose their hair because of this problem, so it's common.

**Interviewer:** is there any kind of social stigma attached to people having this?

**Participant:** its common and we fear this one at most.

**Interviewer:** what antifungal disease do you have in the pharmacy?

**Participant:** ketoconazole tablet. Griseofulvin, tablet clotrimazole, miconazole for oral.

**Interviewer:** what is the most common the people buy?

**Participant:** all of these are prescribed by the Doctor. The more sold drug for oral is ketoconazole tablet.

**Translator:** mostly it depends on the physician prescription. But the physician prefer ketoconazole tablet orally?

**Interviewer:** do you know why?

**Participant:** I don't know why.

**Interviewer:** people need prescription to buy these medications?

**Participant:** yes they buy after prescription.

**Interviewer:** so they can't buy if they don't have the prescription?

**Participant:** bring the old prescription, and they may get the drug

**Translator:** they just bring the old one and they may get it.

**Interviewer:** Are the ketoconazole are expensive for people to buy.

**Participant:** it's not expensive. Its 13 birr.

**Participant 2:** but they can't get the drug most of the time.

**Interviewer:** where do you buy your drugs from?

**Participant:** from whole sellers, the whole sellers get it from the importers.

**Interviewer:** is it sometimes difficult to get the drug or you will normally find what you need?

**Participant 2:** most drugs we can't get. It's difficult to find.

**Interviewer:** why do you think you can't get the drug you want?

**Participant:** it's the situation of our country, it's our countries' problem.

**Interviewer:** importers don't think that these diseases are not important so they don't bring the drug?

**Participant:** the importers are not the professionals they don't know about the problem, the doctors also don't know about the problem they will just prescribe the drug. They don't know that the BBL is not in the market they will just order it.

**Translator:** may be the importers are not professionals they don't know what is needed, the doctor do not know whether the drug is available or not they just will prescribe the drug.

**Interviewer:** How often that will happen?

**Participant:** they don't know, what is happening they will just write the drug?

**Translator:** for how long is that the drug is not available?

**Participant:** may be for three months the drug will not be available, because up to the drug get imported it will take three months. By the way you can't get what you want. At what one time may be you will get the quarter or the half.

**Interviewer:** do you request drug, and they listen that and import different drug, or do they import what they have and then you have to gather?

**Participant:** that's just the importers business.

**Translator:** how do they know if the drug is profitable?

**Participant:** we don't know that actually what we do is just to buy it from the whole sellers? This is controlled by the government. We will just contact the whole sellers and they will tell us these drugs are available, so you can order they will say.

**Translator:** the government will check the quality of the drugs, so it's not linked with us. To just ask our demand, it's their business they will import what they need. Our only option is what they bring.

**Interviewer:** what do you think is needed to be changed to improve?

**Participant:** what we ask is to have drug here. There is no drug at the moment. There were quality drugs coming from Germany but now we can't get them.

**Translator:** what we have at this time is we haven't. Especially those quality drug coming from Germany, we can't get them the community needs those drugs.

**Interviewer:** what will the patient do if they can't get the drug? Do they will stop the treatment or go and find the drug other places?

**Participant:** they will go and find the drug, if they can't get they will go to the doctor to change it to the available drug.

**Translator:** they will look out for the drug in the whole city of [region name] and if they can't find it they will go to the doctor and will change the drug.

**Participant:** if somebody has the money they will go to Addis and look for the drug and finally discuss with the doctor.

**Interviewer:** have you ever had people coming, looking medication for their animals?

**Participant:** yes, they ask for their poultry, the Cipro.

**Interviewer:** do they need prescription for that?

**Participant:** with discussion.

**Interviewer:** with the antifungal are people worried about the side effect?

**Participant:** yes, it has side effect which is so serious linked to the liver. And what we advise is to take the drugs with milk, or protein food or fat.

**Translator:** they comprehend with the liver damage problem, and advise them when they take this medication to take it with milk and milk product. Meat and to get more protein and to reduce the damage of the liver.

**Interviewer:** does she think that, the people will stop the medication because of this side effect?

**Participant:** no.

**Interviewer:** do they will get good result from the antifungal drug?

**Participant:** they say that we have recovered but after some time it will come back again.

**Translator:** they may get progress but the disease has chance to recur.

**Interviewer:** how long do you have to treat with the antifungal whether the shampoo or the tablet.

**Participant:** the tablet is at least for 7 to 10 days. They can use the shampoo until its end. They will wash with it for two days in a week. It will not totally avoid the problem but it had some progress.

**Interviewer:** have you ever seen horse affected with this disease?

**Participant:** I have seen them on the street. In the middle of the street.

**Interviewer:** do they have idea what causes it?

**Participant:** no.

**Interviewer:** is it a risk to human?

**Participant:** I am always asking if it had a problem for human.

**Translator:** I will always ask that, if its yes you are going to destroy my horse?

**Participant:** they will stand in the middle of the street to avoid the flies.

**Translator:** they are standing on the street because, they are infested with the flies and nobody is helping them to avoid that. When the car pass it will do that for them.

**Interviewer:** do you have anything to tell me regarding antifungal medication? The availability, any policy she think could be changed?

**Participant:** I have nothing to say.

**Interviewer:** any question?

**Participant:** No.

