You have been briefed about your rights You are requested to complete this questionnaire as honestly as possible 1-3 SECTION A: BIOGRAPHICAL DATA 4-5 1 Age in years 2 Sex Male Key: 1 Female 2 6 3 Population group Black Key: 1 Indian 2 Coloured 3 7 White 4 Marital status Never married = 1 Key: Married 2 Divorced 3 Widow/er 4 Remarried 5 8 5 Religion Christian Key: 1 Muslim 2 Animist 3 Buddhist 4 Hindu 5 None 6 9 Other, specify Number of children 6 10-11 7 Are you specially trained to render TOP services? 12 8 Do you consider your training as adequate? 13 9 How many years have you been working in TOP services? 14 SECTION B: YOUR OPINION OF TOP SERVICES 15-17 10 How many TOPs do you department manager per month? 11 How many cases of TOP do you think is realistic to manage in one month? 16-18 12 According to your opinion who should receive TOP services? Key: Yes 1 2 No 12.1 Women who have had a TOP before 19 12.2 Women who are expecting a child with congenital abnormalities 20

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27.2	To provide more manpower	92
27.3	To provide enough resources	93
27.4	To provide more days off to rest	94
27.5	To provide better remuneration	95
27.6	To provide counselling services	96
27.7	To provide a more acceptable working environment	97
27.8	Other, specify	
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28.2	Have social events to forget about the work	99

28.3	Work together as a team	100
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28.5	Take part in sport events	102
28.6	Other, specify	
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32.17	Confusion	125
32.18	Exhaustion	126
32.19	Other, specify	
33	Do you experience any of the following? Key: Yes = 1 No = 2	
33.1	Cannot fall asleep at night	127

33.2	Wake up very early in the morning and cannot sleep again	128
33.3	Have nightmares	129
33.4	Cannot sleep at all	130
34	How applicable are the following statements in your situation (working as a nurse in TOP services)? Key: Always = 1 Often = 2 Many times = 3 Seldom = 4 Never = 5	
34.1	I do not like to go out because of what I do	131
34.2	I feel guilty because of what I do	132
34.3	I enjoy my work	133
34.4	I feel I am a sinner because of what I do	134
34.5	I feel that God will never forgive me because of what I do	135
34.6	I do not have any negative feelings because of what I do	136
34.7	People gossip about me because of what I do	137
34.8	I have been assaulted because of what I do	138
34.9	I am in fear of being attacked by members of the community because of what I do	139
34.10	I am in fear for the safety of my family because of what I do	140
34.11	I would like to work in another department	141
34.12	I have been scolded because of what I do	142
34.13	I have been threatened of what I do	143
34.14	I feel what I do is important	144
34.15	I am well trained for what I do	145
34.16	I do not go to church anymore because of what I do	146
34.17	I do not think that I am psychologically strong enough for what I do	147
34.18	I am coping very well irrespective of what I do	148

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36	Which of the following statements are applicable to you? Key: Yes = 1 No = 2	
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36.2	You read the Act at least once a month	152
36.3	You read the Act at least three months	153
36.4	You read the Act at least twice a year	154
36.5	You read the Act at least once a year	155
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38	Indicate how strongly you agree with each of the following statements: Key: Strongly agree = 1 Agree = 2	
	Disagree = 3 Strongly disagree = 4	
38.1	Nurses generally refuse to render TOP services	171
38.2	Nurses should be penalised if they refuse to render TOP services	172
38.3	Nurses who render TOP services are generally caring people	173
38.4	Nurses who render TOP services are generally unfriendly	174
38.5	Nurses monitor all patients having TOPs hourly	175
38.6	Nurses generally leave patients to care for themselves	176
38.7	Nurses do not want to be involved in TOPs	177
38.8	Nurses generally lease patients to clean up their "own mess"	178
38.9	Nurses generally work in these services out of choice	179
39	Indicate how strongly you agree to the following statements: Key: Strongly agree = 1 Agree = 2 Disagree = 3 Strongly disagree = 4	
39.1	The foetus younger than 16 weeks is not yet a human being	180
39.2	The foetus younger than 16 weeks does not have a soul	181
39.3	Every person has the right to choose whether she wants TOPs	182
39.4	I would like to influence the clients not to have TOP	183
39.5	The foetus at conception has the right to life	184
39.6	I have refused to be part of a TOP at least once	185
39.7	TOP services should not be in the scope of practice of the professional nurse	186
39.8	TOP services are often rendered on pregnancies that progressed beyond 16 weeks	187

40	What is your experience about the following? Key: Always = 1 Most of the time = 2 Seldom = 3 Never = 4	
40.1	TOP services are accessible	188
40.2	TOP services are acceptable	189
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43	Indicate how strongly you agree with the following statements: Key: Strongly agree = 1 Agree = 2 Disagree = 3 Strongly disagree = 4	
43.1	You feel good about yourself	197
43.2	TOP services changed you in a negative way	198
43.3	You have been penalised because you refused to render TOP services	199

43.4	You are a caring person	200
43.5	TOP services changed you in a positive way	201
43.6	You are always friendly	202
43.7	You monitor all patient shaving TOPs hourly	203
43.8	You generally leas a TOP patient to take care of herself while aborting the foetus	204
43.9	You cannot do more for the patients because there are too many of them	205
43.10	You want to be involved in TOPs	206
43.11	You wish you could do more for the patients	207
43.12	You generally leave patients to clean up their own mess	208
43.13	You work in these services out of choice	209
43.14	You always do what is expected of you	210
43.15	You feel guilty about the way you treat the patients	211
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43.17	You like yourself	213
44	Indicate how strongly you agree to the following statements: Key: Strongly agree = 1 Agree = 2 Disagree = 3 Strongly disagree = 4	
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44.2	The attitude of your family influenced your attitude towards TOP	215
44.3	The attitude of your friends/colleagues influenced your attitude towards TOP	216
44.4	Your religion influenced your attitude towards TOP	217
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46	Indicate what you dislike most about the TOP services	
47	If you could have one wish for women undergoing TOPs, what would that be?	
48	If you could have one wish for nurses working in TOPs, what would that be?	
49	Do you give clients any advice about contraceptives? If yes, what advice do you give? If no, why not?	
50	If you had a choice in what department/clinic/health care field would you choose to work?	
51	If you had a choice would you prefer using vacuum aspiration of pill for TOP?	

COMMENTS	