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Q1   The number of deaths that were considered avoidable* from 1st January 2018 - 31st December 2023?
*Avoidable mortality refers to deaths that are preventable or treatable.

Preventable mortality- Preventable mortality refers to causes of death that can be mainly avoided through effective public health and primary prevention interventions (that is, before the onset of diseases or injuries, to reduce incidence).
Treatable mortality - Treatable mortality refers to causes of death that can be mainly avoided through timely and effective healthcare interventions, including secondary prevention and treatment (that is, after the onset of disease, to reduce case-fatality).

Can this be broken down by year?

A1   2018 4 avoidable deaths - 3 were trauma related deaths
2019 4 avoidable deaths - 1 infection, 1 Sudden Unexplained Death in Infancy (SUDI), 1 trauma
2020 2 avoidable deaths - 1 deliberately inflicted injury
2021 4 avoidable deaths - 1 sepsis, 1 infection, 1 self-inflicted
2022 Zero
2023 5 avoidable deaths in the data reviewed so far - 1 SUDI,1 congenital

Q2   Of those deaths, how many were due to the following causes: Alcohol-related and drug-related, Congenital malformations, Diseases of the respiratory system, Infectious diseases, Injuries, Pregnancy, childbirth and the perinatal period?

A2   As per A2.