## Appendix S4: PURE study data collection on CVD risk factors (Yusuf et al. 2004)

Following the procedures described in the INTERHEART study, standardized questionnaires were used to collect participant information about demographic factors, socioeconomic status (education, household assets), lifestyle (smoking, leisure time, physical activity, alcohol consumption and dietary patterns), personal and family history of cardiovascular disease, and risk factors (hypertension, diabetes mellitus). Height, weight, waist and hip circumferences, blood pressure and heart rate were determined by a standardized protocol. Waist and hip circumferences were measured with a non-stretchable standard tape measure: waist measurements were obtained over the unclothed abdomen at the narrowest point between the costal margin and iliac crest, and hip circumferences over light clothing at the level of the widest diameter around the buttocks.