

# Cookies Policy

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We use the following cookies :

- **Strictly necessary cookies.** These are cookies that are required for the operation of our website. They include, for example, cookies that enable you to log into secure areas of our website, use a shopping cart or make use of e-billing services.
- **Analytical/performance cookies.** They allow us to recognise and count the number of visitors and to see how visitors move around our website when they are using it. This helps us to improve the way our website works, for example, by ensuring that users are finding what they are looking for easily.
- **Functionality cookies.** These are used to recognise you when you return to our website. This enables us to personalise our content for you, greet you by name and remember your preferences (for example, your choice of language or region).
- **Targeting cookies.** These cookies record your visit to our website, the pages you have visited and the links you have followed. We will use this information to make our website and the advertising displayed on it more relevant to your interests. We may also share this information with third parties for this purpose.

You can find more information about the individual cookies we use and the purposes for which we use them in the table below:

Cookie	Name	Purpose	More information
Strictly necessary cookies	PHPSESSID	Used for user authentication	Expiry: 1 day
Analytical/performance cookies	web_uuid	To keep track of our users, and their search history, to keep track of analytics and trends.	Expiry: 90 days
Analytical/performance cookies (names can change)	__utma __utmz __utmvc _ga	Google analytics cookies	
Functionality cookies	nck	We use this to display cached pages to the user for site-speed optimization.	Expiry: 7 days
Functionality cookies	lstVstdCatgry	Used in prefilling the search-bar with user's last searched activity.	Expiry: 7 days
Functionality cookies	lstSrchrWthr	Used in prefilling the search-bar with user's last searched activity.	Expiry: 7 days
Functionality cookies	wvp	Used in prefilling the search-bar with user's last searched activity.	Expiry: 7 days
Functionality cookies	cookie_notice	Stores user's preference for not showing cookie usage notice on every page.	Expiry: 7 days
Targeting cookies (as of 16.09.2014)	incap_ses_166_201994 __gads nlbi_201994 visid_incap_201994		

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