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Subject: Re: Definition of prelacteal feed in Indonesia DHS  
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Following is a response from DHS Lead Nutrition Research Associate, Rukundo Benedict:

Thanks for bringing to our attention the inconsistencies between the English language and Indonesian-language translation for prelacteal feeding and breastfeeding timing questions. We will bring this to the attention of our colleagues.

With regards to your analyses, as per Tom Pullum's response, it is correct to use the prelacteal definition of "anything to drink other than breast milk during the first three days of life". Similarly, for breastfeeding initiation, it is correct to use m34 "when child put to breast" to calculate timing of breastfeeding (for the first time). The use of the terminology "put to breast" aligns WHO recommendations for early initiation of breastfeeding. ([https://www.who.int/maternal\\_child\\_adolescent/documents/9789241596664/en/](https://www.who.int/maternal_child_adolescent/documents/9789241596664/en/)).

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