**Figure 1** Flow of diarrhoea patients

16,872 cases presented to a participating health care provider with loose bowel movement and consented to take part in the study

647 / 16,872 (4%) did not fulfill the study inclusion criteria*

16,225 / 16,872 (96%) cases with a case report form completed and stool sample collected

1,691 Shigella and Vibrio isolates**

1,203 Shigella isolates

488 Vibrio isolates

- 866 (72%) S. flexneri
- 277 (23%) S. sonnei
- 65 (2%) S. dysenteriae
- 154 (32%) S. boydii
- 39 (3%) S. dysenteriae type I

- 1,95 (40%) V. cholerae O1
- 139 (28%) V. para-haemolyticus

* inclusion criteria: diarrhea and consent to participate in the study
** More than one organism was isolated from 38 patients