

Table 3: The comparison of NOSE scores between study groups (Group A: Non smokers, Group B: Light smokers (<20 cigarettes per day), Group C: Heavy smokers (>20 cigarettes per day)).

NOSE		Group A	Group B	Group C	p
Preop	Mean \pm SD	11.29 \pm 4.32	13.03 \pm 3.89	13.33 \pm 4.12	0.013
	Median (IQR)	11 (8-14.25)	12 (11-16.5)	14 (11-16)	
Postop one-month	Mean \pm SD	Mean \pm SD	6.34 \pm 4.23	5.87 \pm 3.97	0.045
	Median (IQR)	4 (1.75-7)	6 (3-9)	6 (3.25-7.75)	
Postop six-month	Mean \pm SD	4.37 \pm 4.79	4.9 \pm 4.52	4.48 \pm 4.15	0.789
	Median (IQR)	2.5 (0-8)	3 (1-8)	4 (0.25-7)	
	p	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	

SD: standard deviation, IQR: interquartile range.