Author's response to reviews

Title: Cholera outbreaks (2012) in three districts of Nepal reveal clonal transmission of multi-drug resistant Vibrio cholerae O1

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To
Editor,
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Subject: Manuscript for review and publication

Dear Sir/M'm,

Please find attached the manuscript entitled “Cholera outbreaks (2012) in three districts of Nepal reveal clonal transmission of multi-drug resistant Vibrio cholerae O1” for review and publication. As you know acute dehydrating diarrhea is one of the leading causes of deaths in Nepal, although the etiology remains largely obscured. Recent cholera in Haiti has drawn extensive global attention particularly for the notion that cholera was imported from Nepal, although very little is known about cholera and its etiology, V. cholerae, in Nepal. The results in the present study provide a snapshot of the diarrhea outbreaks in Nepal showing that the severe watery diarrhea killing people in remote high altitude villages was due to transmission of a multidrug resistant V. cholerae clone which was related closely with V. cholerae associated with cholera in Bangladesh and Haiti. Therefore, this study is of utmost implication in deciding therapeutic intervention and preventive measure.

About the Journal Concerns, we have already added a section on the Ethical
approval and informed consent; in addition, we have indicated the copyright for the Nepal map in M&M.

May I now request you kindly to consider our MS for publication in your esteemed journal?

Sincerely yours,

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