Reviewer's report

Title: How many births in sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia will not be attended by a skilled birth attendant between 2011 and 2015?

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No major compulsory revisions are needed
No essential revisions needed

Discretionary Revisions: Since this paper is addressed mainly to policy makers; the Authors could discuss a bit more on the interventions to increase SBA, and on the possible alternative (outreach) interventions to reduce maternal deaths among those unattended by SBA,- what are these interventions and the expected impact on maternal mortality

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests