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Abstract. Among the 409 mothers who participated in the study, 1170 deliveries were reported. Of all the deliveries reported, 51.8\% were attended by unskilled birth attendants. Among the deliveries attended by unskilled birth attendants, 38.6\% (452/1170) were by neighbors and/or relatives. Traditional Birth Attendants attended 1.5\% (17/1170) of the deliveries while in 11.7\% (137/1170) of the deliveries were self administered. Mothers who had unskilled birth attendance were more likely to have <3 years of education (Adjusted Odds ratio [AOR] 19.2, 95\% confidence interval [CI] 1.7 – 212.8) and with more than three deliveries in a life time (AOR 3.8, 95\% CI 2.3 – 6.4). Mothers with perceived similarity in delivery attendance among skilled and unskilled delivery attendants were associated with unsafe delivery practice (AOR 1.9, 95\% CI 1.1 – 3.4). Mother’s with lower knowledge score on safe delivery (\%) were likely to have unskilled delivery attendance (AOR 36.5, 95\% CI 4.3 – 309.3).
Dear Editor,

In view of the comments raised by the editorial team, the corresponding author of the manuscript mentioned above revised it as follows;

1) Affiliations
The section has been revised as requested to include the department, institution and full address.

2) References
References 21 and 22 have been rearranged numerically and the order corrected in the reference section.

Functioning links to references 5, 11 and 17 have been provided for in the document.

Reference 36 had been cited in the document and is on page 17.

3) Additional files
There is one additional file in the document which is the questionnaire of study previously requested by one of the reviewers and it has been described in the document as requested.

The author has also gone through the document to address the typographical errors and other minor changes.

Thank you.