Reviewer’s report

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Major compulsory revisions

Gender disadvantage questionnaire on pages 7 and 8 should be included as a table with reference to it in the text.

Ideally married and unmarried women should be analysed as separate groups as different factors for both these groups limiting factor as affects the results obtained as factors to assess gender disadvantage are different the sample.

In the conclusion –interventions are not directly related to the results of this study and perhaps would be better to completely omit this section

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests