Reviewer's report

Title: Beliefs and practices during pregnancy and childbirth in urban slums of Dhaka, Bangladesh

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This is a comprehensive study using both qualitative and quantitative methods. It is well written and has important public health implications. Issues of generalizability have not been addressed. The paper would be stronger if this issue were explored.

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

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