Reviewer’s report

Title: Changes in the Determinants of Exclusive Breastfeeding in Nepal: Comparison of National Surveys 2006 and 2011

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This is an interesting paper with useful findings and helpful discussion.

Minor essential revisions

1. The Tables are numerous, large and a bit hard to navigate. They include a lot of data that turned out to be insignificant and the significant data is repeated in the text. Could the Tables be collapsed to important and significant data only?

2. The paper needs to be proof read and corrected by a native English speaker as sometimes the sense is lost.

3. Please cite the original WHO documents recommending exclusive breastfeeding rather than secondary texts.

4. Page 12, penultimate sentence - Please remove "properly" so that it reads "...health workers assist mothers by providing knowledge and skills to breastfeed."

5. Page 13 - the Hindu ceremony of Pasni is mentioned including instructions from priest about the introduction of solids but there is no suggestion that the education of the priests might help with EBF. would this be possible?

6. The final sentences talk about husbands and wives. Please make it fathers and spouses or mothers.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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'