Author's response to reviews

Title: Developing and implementing an Accreditation system for Health Promoting Schools in Northern India: A cross-sectional study

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To,
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Subject: - Re-submission of manuscript for publication in BMC Public Health

Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed our manuscript entitled, ‘Developing and implementing an Accreditation system for Health Promoting Schools in Northern India: A cross-sectional study’ which we would like to resubmit for publication as a research article in journal, ‘BMC Public Health’. We confirm that this manuscript has not been published elsewhere and is not under consideration by another journal. All authors have approved the manuscript and agree with its submission to BMC Public Health.

The comment wise reply to the editor’s comment has been given below:

Comment: The paper is publishable but needs editing for English language expression. As I watched this paper progress I have become concerned about the implications for policy of this type of activity. It is not clear to me how inequitable a school accreditation program is; I suspect more affluent schools are likely to be accredited and at higher levels than non-affluent schools. I realize this may be outside your original results but I think a statement about this would be welcome. Perhaps in the discussion?"

Reply: The revised manuscript has been proof read and edited for improving the expression of English language with professional help. The statement regarding the policy implications of the accreditation program have been incorporated in the discussion section of the manuscript in page no. 12 (Lines 270-277).

Yours sincerely,

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