Reviewer's report

Title: Knowledge and Awareness about STDs of Women in Bangladesh

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Comments

A. Major Compulsory Revisions

1. Abstract: The result shows several variables that affect knowledge and awareness but in the conclusion section only education has been singled out. How do you address the other factors that were significant also?

2. Abstract: Your result is more like a conclusion and your conclusion is a recommendation. I suggest that you combine the two under one heading-conclusion or conclusion and recommendation

3. Abstract: With respect to the above comment, there is need to re-write the results section. You need to indicate key results.

4. Abstract: The last keyword “logistic model in Bangladesh” should be split to logistic model and Bangladesh because as it is, it means there is a logistic model specifically for Bangladesh

5. Introduction: First sentence is not clear and need to be revised

6. Introduction: Need to summarize some of the issues i.e. HIV and AIDS among the youth. This is not the main focus here.

7. Methods: Second paragraph about regression should be summarized to one sentence. The sentence should state the type of regression that was used and also why it was used. The explanation about regression should be deleted, if one wants to read about it he/she will retrieve the reference quoted and read.

8. Methods: All the preceding paragraphs about regression should be deleted. These have made the author to focus less on methods. The methods section should clearly explain that you used secondary data and should state whether you used all the data from BDHS and also the number and names of divisions involved.

9. Methods: Need to explain how knowledge and awareness were measured. The explanation should include a clear distinction between knowledge and awareness.

10. Results: First paragraphs, the names of divisions were not mentioned in the
methods section. They need to come first in the methods section.

11. Results: The regression coefficients are given in the Table and there is no need to repeat them in the text

12. Results: the last paragraph about Correct Classification Rate, there is need to state what CCR was found and interpret it. Most of the explanations in this paragraph are not suitable to be called results.

13. Discussion: First Paragraph, second sentence, it seems the author have forgotten that the issue under discussion is “knowledge and awareness on STDs”. The factors were investigated to check if they significantly affect the level of knowledge and awareness I guess.

B. Minor Essential Revisions

14. Conclusion: The last sentence under methods section it was stated that “the model can be used for the significance prediction about the knowledge and awareness about STDs in Bangladesh”. Now how are we going to predict knowledge and awareness about STD in Bangladesh?

15. Grammatical mistakes should be corrected especially the areas with comments in the document.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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

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.