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In hand the new MS, it seems that the questions arisen have been answered satisfactorily with relevant reference and the fact that weighing was not use for inferential statistics.

I however still feel that the phrasing of this sentence page 8: "procedure (stepwise backward method using log-likelihood statistic) was used to identify factors affecting knowledge about the fox tapeworm with the following variables (levels): COUNTRY" should be reconsidered. Please clarify what was the response variable exactly in the logistic regression analysis. In other word how was the "knowledge" quantified ? I suppose yes or no (1 or 0) against the independent variables (which justifies logistic regression) ?

The paper could be then accepted