Reviewer's report

Title: Antibacterial, antidiarrhoeal and cytotoxic activities of methanol extract and its fractions of Caesalpinia bonducella (L.) Roxb leaves

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Reviewer's report:

Still there is need more corrections in the manuscript. I am not satisfied that author revision.

The Author has mentioned chloroform extract showed maximum antidiarrheal activity, but in abstract, conclusion section it is wrongly mentioned as methanol fraction showed significant antidiarrhoeal activity. It should be corrected. Throughout the manuscript the cited references should be followed as journal format. The Author has given numbers for cited references in text and also given full name, it should be corrected. For example in the background section mentioned ‘DeviRA et al., (2008)’. The year should be removed. Initials should be removed.

Diarrhoeal test
Author should be given ethical approval Number.

Antibacterial assay
The sentences ‘B. megaterium and Klebsiella sp’ should be corrected as ‘B. megaterium and Klebsiella sp’.

The references are not formatted in the journal format. It should be corrected in the journal format.

Throughout the references, the name plant scientific names should be italicised.

Discussion part should be improved with suitable related work

Recommendation
Author should take careful considereation to correct the above corrections. If not the manuscript can be rejected

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

Quality of written English: Not suitable for publication unless extensively edited

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