Reviewer’s report

Title: Determinants of Stillbirth among Women Deliveries at Amhara Region, Ethiopia

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This is an interesting study highlighting the determinants of Still Birth at Amhara Region, Ethiopia. However, this article need more further revision. Background of the Study

The sentence "In sub-Saharan Africa, an estimated 900,000 babies die as stillbirths" can modified as "In sub-Saharan Africa, an estimated 900,000 pregnancy outcomes resulted as stillbirth". The Ethiopian Demographic and Health Survey (DHS) 2005 data indicated that the still birth rate is 1.8%. Is this rate or proportion? I would suggest to the authors to modify the background as per the relevance of the analysis objective. This section seems to be too generic to me. Need better rationale about why to examine stillbirth in this region of Ethiopia.

Method section in this paper is too short and inadequate. The description for the data and details is inadequate to inform this analysis. Data analysis is not explained properly. How did authors categorised the wealth index in three groups? Is the proportion of rural and urban population in this sample representative for the region? In Table 2, data related to the variables "Did you attend antenatal care?", "Number of Antenatal care Visits" and "Time of first Antenatal Care visit" are not matching. How did the authors create the variable "Preceding Birth Interval in Years"? There are 24% of births are first order. How did you treat this category in this analysis? The sample for the variable "Place of Delivery" is only 526. What about the rest? I am not clear about the logistic regression run by the authors. Table 4 shows the crude OR and adjusted OR. It is not clear which variables were used for adjusted OR. Also some of the OR, the sample is below 2555.

Discussion:

More works need for the discussion section.

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No

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