Author's response to reviews

Title: Clinical and immunological failure among HIV positive adults taking first line Antiretroviral therapy in Dire Dawa, Eastern Ethiopia

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1. I tried to re-phrase some of the major overlapping words from the linked articles, Page 13 line 51, and page 14 lines 49-51. There is no overlap in the methodology section.

2. As per the recommendation, since the data is not publicly available, I have stated that permission was obtained to access the data before data collection. It is mentioned in the "Data collection" sub-section, page 6 & 7.

3. A signed written informed consent was obtained from the medical directors of the facilities and hence, I have modified the statement to indicate that written consent was obtained in "Ethics Approval and Consent to Participate' section, page 19

4. Formatting is done as per the recommendation

5. As per the recommendation, Figure Legends are included after the reference section. Page 25

6. As it is the case, I have included a statement in the Authors' contributions section stating that all authors have read and approved the manuscript, page 18

7. As per the recommendation, a clean manuscript is uploaded

Response to the additional comments

1. Email address of all authors has been included in the title page.
2. The title "Materials and Methods" is renamed as Methods, on Page 5.

3. As per the recommendation, the titles/captions included in the figures are removed.