Author’s response to reviews

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Dear Editor,

We thank you for the favourable reply from your side and from the reviewers. We have tried to address the issues you have raised. Kindly see the revised manuscript.

Thank you
Sincerely
Rekha Rachel Philip on behalf of the co-authors

Technical Comments

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Reviewer comments The author(s) have conscientiously addressed both reviewers’ comments which now renders this a more complete report of the study. To make it more appropriate for the international reader just adding a comment on the different culture in Indian communities as opposed to other culture may be of benefit.

Thank you for your encouraging remarks.

We have included the sociocultural context in India in lines 90-92, Page 4 Changes in lines 90-92, Page 4