Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Risk Factors of Induced Abortion among Preparatory School Female Students, Guraghe Zone, Southern Region, Ethiopia: Cross-Sectional Study

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**Reviewer:** Heidi Jones

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The authors have done a nice job with the revisions. The document needs to be edited for English grammar and language usage prior to publication.

My only other suggestion is that some of the findings could be highlighted more in the discussion. For example, that 18% of those with induced abortion reported pregnancy to be due to rape, seems to me to be an important finding - with different conclusions in terms of giving girls access to education and contraception. This finding suggests that boys and men may also need education with efforts to change social norms to respect girl's/women’s bodily autonomy.

Further, in addition to concluding that these girls may benefit from increased sex education and access to contraception, they may also benefit from access to safe, legal abortion services (?). Abortion exists in every society around the world, regardless of girls'/women's access to contraception and education. To me, this suggests that having safe, legal services available to those who wish to access them is the humane thing to do, regardless of whether you personally question the morality of these services. This is meant to be food for thought, but I might conclude, based on your data, that abortion services should be legal to ensure these girls' safety (especially as generally girls/women around the world who have access to money are able to find safe services, while poor girls/women are not - an unfair disparity based on wealth). Overall, the authors have done a nice job with their revisions and the paper will add to the literature on the prevalence and risk factors for induced abortions among Ethiopian adolescents.
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