Author's response to reviews

Title: Assessment of primary care facilities for cardiovascular disease preparedness in Madhya Pradesh, India

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Dear Sir,

Thank you for the peer review and suggested corrections. Manuscript has been revised and responses to comments are given in this document.

Our responses follow reviewer comments (in red font). Corresponding changes have been made in the manuscript (referenced below and highlighted by yellow colour)

Reviewer 1:

Minor Essential revisions

1. The first half of the conclusion in the abstract is not needed. It can be made Stronger.

Conclusion in abstract has been modified as suggested.
“Increasing burden of NCDs like hypertension and diabetes mellitus necessitates public health response through health systems. Therefore health system preparedness in form of trained human resources, functional laboratories and well stocked pharmacies are essential in primary care facilities.”

2. It is not appropriate to call the districts as NCD districts and Non-NCD districts

Corresponding text has been modified as suggested and highlighted in yellow color.
“Availability of various facilities amongst CHCs of districts where NPCDCS is being piloted (n=14) and other districts (n=25) was similar.”

3. Only one web/radar diagram fig 1 is enough. Rest can be deleted.

Only Figure-1 kept, others have been deleted.

Editor’s comments:

1. Please respond to the last comments of Referee 1.

Responses to comments have been given and changes as suggested are made.

2. Please list the figure legends after the References.

Figure legends have been enlisted after References.
We thank the editorial team and reviewers as their suggestions have significantly improved this revised version of the manuscript.

Thanking you,

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