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1. Ethics approval

We note that you have obtained ethics approval from a ‘Ranchi-based, independent Institutional Ethics Committee affiliated to Ekjut on the 12th of December 2015.’ In the Ethics approval and consent to participate statement of the Declarations, please provide the full name of the ethics committee that
approved the study.

Thank you for your comment. The ethics committee does not have another formal name, it is normally simply referred to as the Institutional Ethics Committee affiliated to Ekjut. It is convened by Ekjut but with independent members not employed by the organisation.

We have changed the sentence to: "The study received ethical approval from Ekjut’s independent Institutional Ethics Committee on the 12th of December 2015 (Reference: IEC/EKJUT/11). This committee is convened by Ekjut but includes independent members from the health, legal and social sectors who are not employed by the organisation."

2. Authorship

We note that the author SM has been attributed in the Authors’ contributions section of the Declarations, but they do not appear to have been included as an author in the submission system, or on the title page.

Thank you for noticing this. We have removed SM from the authors' contribution section. This was an author who left the study early on and was not able to contribute to the article.