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Title: Vitamin D status in early childhood is not associated with cognitive development and linear growth at 6-9 years of age in North Indian Children: a cohort study

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Reviewer #1

The Authors satisfactorily addressed most of my previous comments. Furthermore, in my opinion, the paper's quality consistently improved. Good job!

Thanks for the comments.

There are still some (few) minor English mistakes e.g.

"There are some evidence", page 38, lines 18-19

We have revised to “There is evidence from observational studies.” (Page 4, lines 10)

"in early life on neurodevelopmental may, however,…", page 39, lines 25-26

We have revised to “The consequences of vitamin D deficiency in early life on neurodevelopmental may not become evident until later in childhood.” (Page 4, lines 15-17)

"are repeated every 3 month" instead of "months", page 41, line 91;

We have revised to “these are repeated every 3 months.” (Page 6, line 70)

"guidelines recommends" instead of "recommend", page 50, line 281
We have revised to “Indian Academy of Pediatrics guidelines..” (Page 12, line 191)

Thank you for providing a good-quality Figure 2. It is interesting to note that this Figure might suggest a (non-significant) trend.

Thanks for the comments.

Reviewer #2

the revision has substantially improved the manuscript, now suitable for publication

Thanks for the comments.