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Dear Editor, dear Reviewers,

We would like to thank Professor Vipin Zamvar, Editor-in-chief of Journal of Cardiothoracic Surgery and the reviewers for the careful and constructive evaluation of our manuscript entitled: “Left ventricular dysfunction postsurgical patent ductus arteriosus ligation in children: predictor factors analysis.”. We would like to thank the Editor for offering us the opportunity to resubmit a revised version of the manuscript according to the comments made by the reviewers, and the possibility of reconsidering it for publication. The reviewer's comments helped us to improve the
quality of our manuscript. Careful revision for all comments was done for, as advised by the reviewers and the editor.

We hope that our work will get the opportunity to be published in the Journal of Cardiothoracic Surgery.

We would like to thank the Editor and the reviewers for their help and consideration. We are looking for future cooperation and support in further publications.

The final revised version of the manuscript can be found attached. All the required changes are marked in red.

Reviewers’ Comments:

Thank you for the revision.

P2 L9. When we point out that we do not understand what is meant by: "a standout", then we suggest you change it,- not just explain it to us reviewers. If we as reviewers do not understand what you mean, then a lot of the other readers will not understanding your wording.

### I would like to express my thanks to reviewer 4. Kindly, I have changed "standout" to "noticeable". Thanks again for your suggestions. Sometimes, we are searching for uncommonly used or recent words during scientific writing, in order to avoid plagiarism.

P4 1 45 + 47 + p5 1 55 and several of the other q & As: It is recommendable to add these information in a clear and precise way in the manuscript and not only present it in a discussion with the reviewer. When we as reviewers ask about these information it is because it would be of general interest to the reader and not only of interest for the reviewer.

### I would like to express my thanks to reviewer 4 for the careful evaluation of the manuscript and the helpful and constructive suggestions. Kindly, we modified the manuscript and added all the required data requested by the reviewer in a clear and precise way to the manuscript. They added a lot to the manuscript. Also, these data are very important to be presented to the reader.