Reviewer’s report

Title: Iodine level concentration, coverage of adequately iodized salt consumption and factors affecting proper iodized salt utilization among households in North Ethiopia: A Community Based Cross sectional Study

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OBJECTIVE - Full research articles: is there a clear objective that addresses a testable research question(s) (brief or other article types: is there a clear objective)?
Yes - there is a clear objective

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No - there are minor issues

EXECUTION - Are the experiments and analyses performed with technical rigor to allow confidence in the results?
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INTERPRETATION - Is the current interpretation/discussion of the results reasonable and not overstated?
Yes - the author's interpretation is reasonable

OVERALL MANUSCRIPT POTENTIAL - Could an appropriately REVISED version of this work represent a technically sound contribution?
Probably - with minor revisions

PEER REVIEWER COMMENTS:

GENERAL COMMENTS: The study is a topical area that needs to be addressed. The study is an original idea of the researcher, it is scholarly and adequate in content. However there is need for a thorough proof reading to correct a lot of typographic error, correct grammar. The methodology section has too many fragmented subheadings these can be placed under one heading and make a continuous narrative for a smooth flow.

REQUESTED REVISIONS:
The study design needs an elaboration on how the variables of interest will be addressed by this design. Some of the information from lines 237-269 can be part of the design.

ADDITIONAL REQUESTS/SUGGESTIONS:
Are the methods appropriate and well described?
If not, please specify what is required in your comments to the authors.

No

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No

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