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**PART 1: Review Comments**

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<p>A. Title of the Study</p> <p>1. How about changing the title to "Causes of Academic Backwardness of Rural School Children in Selected States of India: An Evaluation.</p> <p>B. Abstract</p> <p>1. Line 11 -15. Maybe changed to... the academic achievement of school children was used and covers three major aspects on health, academics and family. Data analysis was done using frequency, percentage distribution and Chi-square test. Results revealed that in the eight states, the academic factor was the cause of the students' poor achievement while in one state, Parbhani, health is the risk factor to the students' academic achievement.</p> <p>C. Introduction</p> <p>Line 28. Atmosphere may be changed to environmental</p> <p>Line 38. Replace come up with elevate, insert " status in" between one's ---- life</p> <p>D. Methodology</p> <p>Line 54. Sentence may be rephrased into: A total of 1350 school children fro the 9 states of India were randomly selected. Each centre is represented by 150 school children belonging to the 7<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> standards or grades.</p> <p>Question: What is the reference for choosing 150 students per centre? Did you not use random sampling?</p> <p>E. Results and Discussion</p> <p>Line 65. Can the title of Table 1 be changed to Table 1. Reasons that affect the academic performance of the students in the rural villages of the 9 states of India?</p> <p>Table2. Family problems that affect the academic performance of the students in the rural villages in the 9 states of India.</p> <p>Table 3. Health problems that affect the academic performance of the students in the rural villages in the 9 states of India.</p> <p>Line 73. "Slow in writing" may be removed in the paragraph.</p> <p>Line 154. Concluded may be changed to deduced</p> <p>Pages 16-17. Do Table 4 and Figure 1 present the same data? If so, you may just choose between the Table 4 or the Figure 1.</p> <p>Implications of the data gathered may be provided to explain the findings of the study which will then be supported by the findings of other authorities to the field.</p> <p>In all 3 tables, what does it mean when <math>p &lt; 0.01</math>. Discussion of this data may be given attention.</p> <p>F. Conclusion</p> <p>Were you able to find the answer to your problem? Line 51 of this study states that the aim of the present study was to identify the underlying risk factors for scholastic backwardness of school children in rural villages. Based on the data gathered, were you able to find the answer? The answer to your objective should be what is to be found in the conclusion. It may be short but it is direct to the point.</p> <p>The current conclusion stated in the manuscript is more of an opinion and a</p>	Ok, noted.



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	<p>recommendation rather than a conclusion.</p> <p><b>Consent:</b> I just hope that the researchers have asked for consent from the students' parents when they use them as their respondents considering that they are minors.</p>	
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments	<p>Some grammar checked and coherence or ideas. Provide the legend for <math>p &gt; 0.01</math> under each table. Improve data presentation and discussion. The Objective of the study may be stated separately and should be placed before Methodology.</p>	
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	<p>The study is also good considering that it will help teachers in the rural villages address the poor academic performance of the students. Through this study, interventions from the administrators and the government may be conducted to help students learn better and achieve better. It is worth publishing.</p>	