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PART 1:

Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Pediatric Research
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Title of the Manuscript:	Clinical features and outcome of birth asphyxia in Hôpital du Cinquantenaire of Kisangani: a case-control study
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PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
<p>Study is not properly designed with lot of flaws in designating cases and controls. It requires extensive rewriting to correct English language.</p> <p>Some of the changes have been made in manuscript to give an idea, how to improve.</p>	<p>We thank reviewers for actual revisions and flaws identification. We agree with nearly all remarks and will revise the manuscript according to them.</p> <p>About the study design, we partially agree with reviewer.</p> <p>The purpose was not to determine what made asphyxia occur. In such case, we ought to analyse prenatal, labor and neonatal resuscitation features and compare asphyxiated to non-asphyxiated newborns.</p> <p>But we had the purpose to determine the risk factors of dying, or not, with perinatal asphyxia. Therefore we think that the correct design must be a cross-sectional study with a descriptive part and an analytic part. The analytic part analysed, among asphyxiated newborns, the risk of dying or surviving.</p>