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Compulsory REVISION comments	1. The authors stated that" the patients with VVF were purposively selected". Please explain: 1) how these patients have been selected? Which criteria has been used to select these patients? 2) if the patient selection was not random, will the selection procedure introduce bias.	
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	3.S23- 24: out of the 14 with husbands, all had with (71,4%, n=10), please clarify the statement and define the relationship of these numbers, it is very hard to understand the logicIn both the abstract and main body of the manuscript, author stated that "VVF condition mainly from obstructed labour due to Malpresentation of the baby at delivery, Cephalopelvic disproportion (CPD), maternal distress or Cervical dystocia". However, these are all descriptive and no any data to support these results.	
	4. in the introduction, please add a few sentences to clearly the aim/purpose of the study.	
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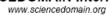


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have been used in the study.	
6. What 's the difference between Table 1 onset of VVF and Table 4: occurrence of VVF. For my best knowledge, it described the same issue. However, the data represented are totally different.	
7. Table 7 sounds non-senesce, as it did not support any of your main conclusion, please delete it from the manuscript.	
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