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| Journal Name:            | Asian Journal of Research in Surgery  |
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| Manuscript Number:       | Ms_AJRS_41454   |
| Title of the Manuscript: | THE SPECTRUM OF PSYCHIATRIC MORBIDITY IN SURGICAL WARDS OF A STATE GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA. |
| Type of the Article      | Original Research Article   |

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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) |
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| <u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments | Respectful terms for psychiatric patients: Homeless people with psychosis (not vagrant psychosis), behaviour difficult to understand (not bizarre), patients who sign out without medical consent (not absconders)   |   |
|                                     | Correct numerous spelling errors – challenges, fibrosarcoma, consent not sought, and errors within references.   |   |
|                                     | Address limitation of psychiatric diagnoses made on no stated criteria. What is typhoid psychosis – how does it differ from delirium?  |   |
|                                     | Because consent to publish was not obtained from patients, please change all identifying details. How did researchers obtain consent to look at medical records?   |   |
|                                     | As a result of this study, what can the hospital do to reduce delirium mortality? How closely does psychiatric staff and surgical staff work together?   |   |
| Minor REVISION comments             | Reference citations must be consistent   |   |
| Optional/General comments           | Good descriptive study. Could be made more concise and more explicit directions for change addressed.  Might be a good idea to divide into two groups  a. patients with prior psychiatric conditions who come in for surgery – what needs to be done before surgery>  b. patients who develop psychiatric problems as a result of surgery – what needs to be done to keep these numbers low. |   |

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