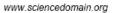
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# **PART 1:** Review Comments

	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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION	Recommendations:	
comments	Introduction:	
	→ Addition of explanation of serological testing in Hepatitis B diagnosis	
	→ Discussion of risk factors for Hep B infection and carrier states	
	Line 36: Tamil Nadu reference does not tie-in to the rest of the article. Requires more	
	information regarding sero-prevalence in Sudan	
	Line 78: The role of HBcAb-IgM vs. HBcAb-Total	
	Line 85: Adjust figure one – create bar graph of infection and carrier states across different localities (as detected by this study)	
	Line 91: Sentence construction requires attention	
	Line 93: Marital status vs. number of sexual partners (more realistic quantifier of	
	transmission risk)	
	Line 95 – 97: Grammar requires attention	
	Line 111: Can the study also differentiate past and current infection in candidates using	
	HBcAb-IgM	
	Line 116: Discussion → lines 117-118 include repetition.	
Minor REVISION comments	^	
Optional/General comments	The article should be free flowing with no gaps in the explaination.	

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