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PART 1:

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PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
The author seems not to pay attention to details, as he/she has not effected corrections on the parts that were highlighted earlier. For instance, in lines 13 – 18, I don't agree with the author on the statement "<i>The microbial populations identified showed that the water is contaminated with E. coli an indicator of microbial contamination of water sources.</i>" It contradicts his/her earlier claim, "<i>that Water obtained from springs and wells were safe for human usage and consumption as it was free from indicators of contamination</i>". In lines 156 – 157, the author maintains that '<i>all sampling sites were not detected of faecal coliform bacteria</i>'. The author did not realize that faecal coliform includes the <i>E. coli</i> which is one of the indicators of contamination/pollution of water. Lines 122 – 124, still need to be restructured. What does the author mean by, "<i>These tests were done on the metallic green sheen</i>". Lines 148 – 149, and so many others, should be restructured and mistakes corrected. In lines 135 – 142, the methodology adopted by the author (like the use of questionnaires, etc.) to getting the result was not stated and the sampling size was not mentioned by the author. The paper when restructured very well, it will help achieve the purpose of writing it in the first place.	Corrections made There was omission of river water. River water was contaminated with E.coli, whereas spring and well water were considered safe as they were free from indicators of contamination. I agree with you, that is what should be researched to find out how E-coli found its way into river water yet there were no physical signs of faecal contamination. The sentence was not necessary. Deleted. Sentence restructured. Structured interviews were conducted to find out the sources of water they use. A specified volume of water was drawn as the sample, four areas were used as sample sites.