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Type of the 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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<p>The data provided in this manuscript is too little for a full original research article, the authors may consider quantifying some of the phytochemicals found to be present, to make the study more informative and add to the data.</p> <p>The authors provide very little information on the sample size, sample preparation and how the extraction was carried out.</p> <p>The authors should provide more information on the assays carried out in the methodology section. Outline the specific assays used in proximate analysis. Please note that there are a number of techniques that can be used for determination of protein, lipids etc.</p> <p>The same applies to phytochemical analysis, describe how you were able to determine the presence or absence of the compounds.</p> <p>Kindly also provide more information on the digestion procedure and amount of sample used for the sample preparation, prior to the mineral analysis.</p> <p>The authors also fail to mention, if the study was carried out in triplicates, which is the standard requirement</p> <p>The statistical analysis section fails to mention the software or excel version used for the analysis.</p> <p>The authors should consider using recent FAO data to highlight the malnutrition status</p> <p>Line 32: Use a more recent source and if possible provide the latest statistics of the child malnutrition status in the country/area of study according to WHO or FAO</p> <p>The paper has numerous grammatical errors and running sentences, which need to be corrected</p>	
Minor REVISION comments	<p>Line 5: Is it fruit or fruits?</p> <p>Line 6: Write 'revealed' in place of 'reveal'</p> <p>Line 8: Remove 'while' and start a new sentence from 'The proximate analysis ...'</p> <p>Line 8: Write 'revealed that the percentage composition of the fruit was as follows: moisture (75.4) etc'.....and please indicate the units. Is it 'g/100g?'</p> <p>Line 11: Write 'consisted of' in place of consist</p> <p>Line 24: re-write to 'largely depends on'</p> <p>Line 25: Re-write to 'test of time'</p> <p>Line 29: write 'sources' in place of source and provides in place of provide</p> <p>Line 33: write 'needs' in place of need</p> <p>Line 34: Add 's' to 'specie'</p> <p>Line 37 -40: Please re-write the sentence and make it clear</p> <p>Line 41-43: Break the sentence into two</p> <p>Line 44: Rewrite to 'reduces the risk of hypertension'</p>	



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	Line 46: Is it a joint dislocation?	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	<p>The data presented is too little for an original research article and may be publishable as a short communication, if the technical concerns are addressed.</p> <p>The authors should consider adding data on proximate analysis of samples under different preservation treatments and do ANOVA analysis of how the composition varies in these treatments.</p>	

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