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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 comments		
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	The rationality behind sampling 123 PHC need to be identified. The findings should reflect the objective(s) of the study. There should be a linkage between the two. i.e. the objective of the study should have include adequacy and inadequacy of facilities in the tribal and non-tribal PHCs.	Explained by modifying the content in the materials and methods section. Comparison between tribal and non-tribal PHCs has been mentioned as suggested.
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Source of the data in table 1. need to be identified. Data drawn from the secondary (for instance the number of facilities per PHC) should have been presented and collaborate it with primary data extracted from the questionnaires administered. Minimum (standard) required facilities per PHC should have been compared with the number available. Line 130 to 139 should have been a conclusion and recommendations of the study.	Data presented in Table 1 relates only to the primary data. The data was collected and analysed with respect to the requirements at PHCs outlined in the Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) 2012. The table analyses availability of facilities as against those mentioned in the IPHS for PHCs A short conclusion section added at the end.