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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	86. Section 3.3. The number of children followed up should be indicated	Authors would sincerely like to thank Reviewer for his relevant and useful comments. Please find below the changes to the manuscript according the raised concerns. The number of children followed up is indicated in section 3.3. Sample size and subjects selection
	90. section 3.4, the variables should be classified into dependent and independent variables.	Variables are classified into dependent and independent variables in section 3.4.
	159. add what is missing in the phrase 'more and 4';	The unnecessary word is deleted in section 3.4.2 rephrased to make it more comprehensive
	185. The title should be 'characteristics of children and mothers'.	The title 4.1 is revised accordingly and taking into account others comments below
	186-191. The titles and data should correspond with those under section 3.3, 80-87 e.g physician/doctor. Include characteristics of all the health workers listed in this section.	The title 4.1 is revised accordingly and taking into account other comments below
	Table 1 , Total for 'required points' should be 34 and not 44 and for the 'score 25 instead of 35	Total for 'required points' is corrected accordingly in table 1
	Table 2 , the for 'Required points should be 27 and not 26	The 'Required points is corrected in table 2
	Table 3 , OPHC visited in the first row are 68, in section 3.3, only 15 were functional. The subheading OPHC visited in this table is misleading. These should be performance scores of OPHC visited.	The subheading in table 4 is corrected
Minor REVISION comments	Page 1: Abstract, methodology, first line change canters to centres	"Centers" is changed to "centres" in all the manuscript
	76: Section 3.2: Change study 'material' also change study patient to study subjects	Study 'material' and "study patient" are changed to study subjects in section 3.2. Study design and subjects



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80. Section 3.3: Second sentence, ...functional OPHC were out the	All the section 3.3 is revised according the raised concerns
27.....Rephrase for clarity	Sentence is rephrased in section Introduction, second paragraph, line 4
83. 01 responsible for community activities, Give the title for this person	The title of this person is given in section 3.3
83. '.....one.....workers' -change to worker	All the section 3.3 is revised according the raised concerns
84. 'selected.....the first met in 'Rephrase for clarity	All the section 3.3 is revised according the raised concerns
90. Section 3.4, the word performance is repeated twice	The sentence is corrected
Page 4, Under INPUTS/RESOURCES, last line, 'Culinary.....equipment avability'- change to equipment availability	"Equipement avability"- is changed to "equipment availability" in figure 1
168. '.....also with the responsible of the supply'-Give the title for this person.	This part of the sentence is unnecessary. It concerns health workers cited above in the text. We deleted it.
169. 'Documents' exploitation.....'Rephrase for clarity	The sentence is rephrased in section 3.5 Data collection procedures
172. section 3.6, 'Data were analysed using and analysis'-Rephrase this statement	The statement is rephrased in section 3.6 Statistical analysis
177. Should read 'Informed consent was obtained.....interview'. Delete the unnecessary information.	The unnecessary word "oral" is deleted in section 3.7 Ethical considerations.
185. 4.1, This paragraph does not correspond to the subheading-Characteristics of child and mothers. Change the subheading or delete the content which is inappropriate.	The subheading is revised according to the content of the paragraph in section 4.1. Characteristics of participants
185. The title should be ' characteristics of children and mothers'.	The subheading is revised according to the content of the paragraph in section 4.1. Characteristics of participants
186.Change, 'They age ranged' to The age ranged	The requested change is made in section 4.1. Characteristics of participants
186-191. The titles and data should correspond with those under section 3.3, 80-.	The subheading is revised according to the content of the paragraph. The section 3.3. Sample size and subjects selection is rephrased



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	87. Include characteristics of all the health workers listed in this section	Characteristics of all the health workers listed in this section are clarified in section 3.3. Sample size and subjects selection
	189. 'Seniority for the post staff.....'Rephrase for clarity	The sentence is rephrased for clarity in section 4.1. Characteristics of participants, line 4: working experience
	190. change 'th 15 functional' to the 15 functional	The change is done accordingly in section 3.3. Sample size and subjects selection
	218. '.....national protocol with'. Delete with	"with" is deleted
	Table 3, OPHC visited- there are two figures separated by a comma, the first figure is the number of OPHC visited, Indicate what the next figure after the comma represents by adding the explanation next to the OPHC visited. The subheading OPHC visited in this table is misleading. These should be performance scores of OPHC visited	The explanations are given under the table 4. The subheading is corrected
	The explanation of study variables in Section 3.4 should be exhaustive to facilitate interpretation of Table 3.	The section 3.4 is completed, rephrased and now exhaustively described. We add new table 3 to facilitate comprehension of performance assessment
	252. '....17 centres had only this document'- which one?	The document is named "national guideline of acute malnutrition management" in section 5.1
	256. 'The good.....developing countries'- Rephrase.	The sentence is rephrased in section 5.1
	257. The phrase 'It has been sufficient'. What? Delete or add what is missing.	The sentence is corrected in section 5.1
	258. Change 'a break on' to 'a break of'	The sentence is corrected in section 5.1. We use "rupture" instead of break"
	285. Supervision is repeated twice -Rephrase this statement to remove one	The repeated "supervision is deleted in section 5.2
	291. 'The present result is lower'- the word 'than' is missing	The missing word is inserted in section 5.3
	294. Add citation after '....observed by Blade (1.6)%'.	The citation is right placed in section 5.3
	303. Remove the word 'that' from.....'stay that were'....	The word "that" is moved in section 5.3



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	304. Put a comma after Faso	Coma Is putted after Faso in section 5.3 second paragraph
	309, 310 and 311. Rephrase these statements for clarity and to eliminate grammatical errors.	Statement is rephrased in section 5.3 in third paragraph
	317. Replace the word depicted in the phrase ‘..of depicted malnourished...’	The depicted is replaced by “detected” in the Conclusion section
	318. Replace the word dropt in’search for dropt’ with drop	“Dropt” is replaced with “drop” in Conclusion section
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Typo errors characterize the whole manuscripts. The author should run a spell check. The author should also place the full stops after the citation	Typo and grammatical errors are corrected in the text