

Editor's comment:

This is an important paper.
The inclusion criteria and the classification system is robust.

Why was patients outside Odisha were left is my only concern. This data represents a hospital and not a State? Therefore this exclusion was unnecessary and compromised the richness of the data.

Author's Feedback

Thanks for the point. Actually all cases residing in Odisha state for more than one year were included. Records of cases with current address outside Odisha state were excluded. The purpose of including hospitalized cases where there is a record of duration of stay in Odisha state was to measure all possible etiologies of seizure cases while residing in this region. Assuming that occurrences of seizures might be recent due to various factors which are common in this region. The criteria of inclusion is corrected in the revised manuscript.

Para 3 under Materials and Methods section.

Records of cases with major presenting complain of seizures those were admitted into any of the above clinical departments were included in the study. Only cases with record of residing in Odisha state for more than one year were included. Exclusion criteria-records of cases with current address outside Odisha state were excluded. Outpatient cases without hospitalization were also excluded.

Inclusion of all cases might not be feasible at the present state due to various reasons. I hope the explanation is acceptable.