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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(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)</i>
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	A summary of the result should be given in the abstract. This should then be supported by the statistical analysis. I also have problems accepting that river water and well water have less prevalence of HEV than tap water. The discussion was alright. The conclusion appeared as if the authors are starting a new discussion. They should conclude their work based on the study they conducted. Line 187-188 is alright. However the authors should also conduct a study in the near future to determine the genotype of the virus circulating in their locality. It is also necessary that the questionnaire used for the study is shown after the references as an appendix. Similarly the ethical approval for the study from the Ministry of Health should be shown.	Agrees with reviewer. No Sir, if you check our results very well you will see that river water and well water have higher prevalence than tap water. Agrees with reviewer. The questionnaire and ethical approval letter from ministry of health will be included as appendix.
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	The sentence in line 100 should be corrected.	Agrees with reviewer.
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