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## **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The prevalence of Post-natal Depression is high in India as in many other low to middle income countries. There is an urgent need to identify the PND and treat the mother as early as possible. Among the many paper and pencil tests available to identify Postnatal Depression, the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale is a widely used and validated measure in India. However, the summary diagnostic accuracy and clinical utility data are not available for the measure. This study aim was to establish the summary data for the global and specific diagnostic accuracy parameters as well as clinical utility of the non-English versions of the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS) in India. The study shows that the non-English versions of EPDS are effective in identifying Post-natal Depression in India. These measures have good clinical utility and can help clinician in diagnostic reasoning. Comments -**ABSTRACT** Conclusion: needs to match aim. How does this work inform practice clinical work? **MAIN TEXT** Explain in more detail: Provide more background on past research about non-English versions of the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS) in India and the need for this study. Be more specific about what your comparisons will be based on the gap in the literature you seek to fill. It is unclear what your outcomes will be. **DISCUSSION** What has previously been published on this topic and what does this work add to the existing literature? What are the strengths of your study? What are the clinical or policy implications of this research?

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No further comments. I will congratulate you with a real good and interesting study. I hope you will continue the work you have started! Thanks.

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