

Point to point reply

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Subject: Submission of revised manuscript

Dear Dr. Ferrero,

Thank you for providing this opportunity to revise our manuscript to make it more clear and understandable to readers.

Reviewer 1

1 Title. The title does not reflect the main subject of the manuscript as there is the interchanging of "Teenage pregnancy" and "Adolescent pregnancy" throughout the manuscript, making it challenging to know the exact case definition for the study. Teenage pregnancy is not synonymous with adolescent pregnancy. Suggested better titles, depending on what the study covered, would be either "Predictors of adolescent pregnancy in an urban referral centre in Nepal" or "Predictors of teenage pregnancy in an urban referral centre in Nepal."

Reply: For the uniformity "Teenage pregnancy" used throughout the manuscript

2 Abstract. The abstract is entirely about teenage pregnancy, but the title of this manuscript is about adolescent pregnancy. The authors need to be precise about what they studied. If they

confined their study to pregnancy in the 10 – 19-year age group, the abstract would summarize and reflect the work described in the manuscript?

Reply: For the uniformity "Teenage pregnancy" used throughout the manuscript

3 Keywords. It is challenging to know the focus of this manuscript and assess whether the keywords are appropriate, complete, reflect the manuscript's focus, and match MESH search terms.

Reply: Key-words were derived using MeSH browser using abstract

4 Background. The background is inconsistent and confusing as "Teenage pregnancy" is regularly interchanged with Adolescent pregnancy. Depending on what the authors studied, the background should focus on either adolescent or teenage pregnancy. The authors failed to provide a convincing argument for undertaking this study

Reply: For the uniformity "Teenage pregnancy" used throughout the manuscript. Other portion revised as suggested

5 Methods. The manuscript describes the methods with insufficient detail and is unnecessarily verbose. The authors should provide a case definition that states the inclusion and exclusion criteria based on generally used definitions to enable readers to compare the studied population with their patients. The authors should make the methods succinct without adversely affecting the quality.

Reply: Revised as appropriate

6 Results. The research appears to have achieved its objective, but it is a repetition of previously reported information/concepts and does not add anything new to what is already known about the topic or offer new insights or hypothesis vis-à-vis aetiology or prevention.

Reply: Revised as appropriate

7 Discussion. The manuscript does not interpret the findings adequately and appropriately, is inaccurate with some figures (quoting a teenage pregnancy rate of 18.8% for Africa when that rate is for the overall pooled prevalence of adolescent pregnancy in Africa (Kassa et al. 2018, <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12978-018-0640-2>). In some instances, the authors used the wrong references (Reference 13 instead of 14), while in others, they used secondary rather than primary sources (Nepal - Teenage Pregnancy and Motherhood). The authors discussed their findings and their relevance to the literature without the manuscript's scientific significance or relevance to clinical practice. 8 References. The authors should address the concerns about some of their references as highlighted under discussions.

Reply: References rechecked and rearranged.

Reviewer 2

Table 1 can be shortened -Tables 2 and 3 can be combined and shortened by including one variable and not its opposite. -Unsure if figure 1 is required -In the discussion, the authors report that upper Caste does not decrease teenage pregnancy though in the tables lower Caste was associated with increased rate of teenage pregnancy.

Reply: Table content cut down to minimum

(1) The language classification is Grade C. Please visit the following website for the professional English language editing companies we recommend: <https://www.wjgnet.com/bpg/gerinfo/240>;

Reply: Language and write up crosschecked and edited

(2) The authors did not provide original pictures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor; (3) PMID and DOI numbers are missing in the reference list. Please provide the PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors of the references. Please revise throughout; and (4) The “Article Highlights” section is missing. Please add the “Article Highlights” section at the end of the main text. 6
Recommendation: Conditional acceptance.

Reply: References revised as appropriate and highlight section added.