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Title: Evolution of Character Traits in Adolescents: A Cross-Sectional Study from Eastern India

| Recommendation: | Rating | Excel. | Good | Fair | Poor | |
|--|------------------|--------|------|------|------|---|
| Accept as it is $\Box\Box\Box\Box$ Accept after minor revision \Box \checkmark | - Originality | | 1 | | | _ |
| Accept after major revision | Techn. Quality | | 1 | | | _ |
| Do not accept (<i>Reasons below</i>) $\Box\Box\Box$ | Clarity | | ✓ | | | |
| - ' | Significance | | ✓ | | | |

Reviewer Name: Sakshi Jaju Date: 10/09/2025

Reviewer s Comment for Publication.

This cross-sectional study explored positive and negative character traits among 64 adolescents aged 10–18 years from Eastern India. The study found that around 12 years of age, adolescents develop abstract thinking, leading to changes in self-perception. Positive traits such as helpfulness, respectfulness, and self-dependence were valued across all age groups, while laziness, lack of confidence, and poor communication skills were the most common negative traits. The authors suggest that life skill education and targeted interventions can help address these issues and promote healthy adolescent development.

Strengths:

- 1. Addresses an important developmental stage in adolescents.
- 2. Provides age-wise analysis of positive and negative traits.
- 3. Suggests practical interventions like life skill education.
- 4. Data collected using a pre-tested questionnaire improves reliability.

Weaknesses:

- 1. Small sample size (only 64 adolescents).
- 2. Cross-sectional design cannot show changes over time.
- 3. Limited to one geographical region findings may not be generalizable.

Overall Assessment:

The article provides useful insights into adolescent character development with practical recommendations for schools and parents. However, larger and longitudinal studies are needed for deeper understanding. More literature survey and reference needed.

Recommendation:

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