

REVIEWER'S REPORT

Manuscript No: IJAR-54236

Title: A Cross-Sectional Study on Determinants of Double Burden of Malnutrition among Women from Developing Countries of South Asia

Recommendation:

Accept as it is

Accept after minor revision.....

Accept after major revision

Do not accept (*Reasons below*)

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		Good		
Techn. Quality		Good		
Clarity		Good		
Significance		Good		

Date: 10th oct @025

Reviewer Name: DR G. Renuka

Detailed Reviewer's Report

Title: Overview:

The manuscript presents an important cross-sectional analysis exploring the sociodemographic determinants of the double burden of malnutrition (DBM) among women in Pakistan, Nepal, and Bangladesh using DHS datasets. The topic is timely and relevant for public health in low- and middle-income countries.

Strengths:

- The study uses large, nationally representative DHS data from three South Asian countries.
- The methodology and statistical analysis (chi-square and multinomial regression) are appropriate.
- The paper is well-structured with a clear presentation of background, methods, results, and discussion.

Areas for Improvement:

1. **Abstract:** Can be condensed; focus more on key findings and implications.
2. **Introduction:** Some references are repetitive; may be shortened for clarity.
3. **Results:** Tables mentioned (Table 1 and 2) should be clearly formatted and referenced in the text.
4. **Discussion:** Could be strengthened by highlighting regional policy implications and linking findings to SDG nutrition targets.
5. **Language:** Minor grammatical and formatting corrections are recommended for fluency.

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Conclusion:

The manuscript contributes valuable evidence to understanding the DBM among South Asian women. With minor revisions in structure and clarity, it is suitable for publication.

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