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Title: "Massive Multinodular Goiter Causing Tracheal and Bilateral Great Cervical Vessels Compression Treated with Total Thyroidectomy: A Case Report From Rural Hospital"

Recommendation:	Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Accept as it is	Originality		√		
	Techn. Quality		√		
Do not accept (Reasons below)	Clarity		✓		
Do not accept (Reasons below)	Significance	•	<		

Reviewer Name: Dr. S. K. Nath

Date: 16/10/2025

Reviewer's Comment for Publication:

This manuscript presents a valuable clinical case highlighting the management of a severe multinodular goiter in a rural healthcare setting. Its relevance is high due to the potential severity of such cases and the emphasis on surgical management. However, the manuscript requires substantial revisions regarding language, structure, and clarity, as well as proper formatting of references and figures.

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Strengths:

- 1. Clinical Significance: The case report addresses a rare and challenging presentation of a large multinodular goiter causing significant airway and vascular compression. It highlights the importance of timely surgical intervention and the efficacy of total thyroidectomy in managing such cases, especially in resource-limited settings.
- 2. **Comprehensive Description:** The report thoroughly documents patient history, clinical findings, imaging results, surgical approach, and histopathological examination, providing valuable insights into the management of giant goiters.
- 3. **Imaging and Visual Data:** The inclusion of radiographic images (chest X-ray, CT scans) supports the clinical narrative effectively, aiding understanding.
- 4. **Contextual Relevance:** The paper emphasizes the public health challenge of goiter in rural settings and provides a real-world example of surgical solutions in such contexts.

Weaknesses:

- 1. **Organization and Structure:** The manuscript's flow could be improved for clarity. Key sections such as Introduction, Case Presentation, and Discussion could be more distinctly demarcated and systematically presented.
- 2. **Language and Grammar:** There are multiple typographical and grammatical mistakes throughout the manuscript, for example:
 - "enlarges" instead of "enlarges" (Page 1)
 - Inconsistent use of abbreviations and formatting (e.g., "MSCT" sometimes written without expansion)
 - Sentences like "The size of the extralobe was 15 x 10 x 9 cm" could be more precise, e.g., "measured approximately 15 x 10 x 9 cm."
- 3. **References and Citations:** The in-text references are numbered but lack a consistent format, and some citations (e.g., [1], [2]) are not fully linked to the reference list, which wasn't provided.

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- 4. **Figures and Tables:** Figures are referenced but not well-described, and some labels (e.g., "A," "B") are not explained in detail. Additionally, the images themselves are missing or not displayed in the text, which impairs comprehension.
- 5. **Inconsistent Data Presentation:** Some data, such as measurements and histopathology, are presented without units or clear context, reducing clarity.
- 6. **Limited Literature Review:** The discussion section does not sufficiently engage with current literature, especially regarding surgical techniques and management strategies for massive goiters.

Specific Instructions to Authors:

- 1. **Language and Grammar:** Carefully proofread the manuscript to correct typographical and grammatical errors. Consider employing a professional language editing service.
- 2. **Structure and Flow:** Clearly demarcate sections (Introduction, Case Presentation, Discussion, Conclusion). Enhance transitions for better readability.
- 3. **Figures and Tables:** Ensure all figures are embedded properly, labeled clearly, and referenced accurately within the text. Provide detailed figure legends.
- 4. **References:** Format all references uniformly according to journal requirements, providing full citation details.
- 5. **Data Presentation:** Use consistent units and specify measurement details thoroughly.
- 6. **Literature Context:** Expand the discussion to integrate recent literature on giant goiter management, surgical options, and prognosis.