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REVIEWER□S REPORT

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Title:
The Price of Pain: Market Failures, Malpractice, and the Crisis of Trust in Healthcare

Recommendation:
Accept as it is □□□□□Yes□□□□□□□□.
Accept after minor revision□□□□□□□
Accept after major revision □□□□□□□
Do not accept (*Reasons below*) □□□

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

Reviewer Name: Prof Dr Dillip Kumar Mohapatra

Detailed Reviewer□s Report

1. Strengths

• Interdisciplinary Approach – Integrates economics, ethics, and policy for a holistic analysis.

• Global Comparative Analysis – Examines healthcare systems across the U.S., India, U.K., and China.

• Real-World Relevance – Addresses malpractice, commercialization, and digital health trust issues.

• Strong Policy Orientation – Ends with practical and actionable recommendations.

• Clear Ethical Emphasis – Reaffirms healthcare as a trust-based ethical system.

2. Weaknesses

• Limited empirical or statistical data to support theoretical analysis.

• Literature review lacks latest (post-2020) sources on AI and digital health ethics.

• Minor formatting inconsistencies; long paragraphs affect readability.

• Case study presentation could be reframed as illustrative rather than research-based.

• Few visuals or data tables; adding them would improve clarity.

3. Significance

• Explores the global erosion of trust in healthcare after COVID-19.

• Links economic theory with modern ethical and policy challenges.

• Provides actionable insights for reform and governance in health systems.

• Serves as a conceptual reference for interdisciplinary healthcare research.

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• Advocates balance between economic efficiency and ethical responsibility.

4. Key Points / Highlights

Abstract & Introduction: Defines healthcare as a trust-based system weakened by commercialization and information asymmetry.

Literature Review: Based on Arrow (1963); explains market failure concepts in health systems.

Market Failures: Highlights information asymmetry, moral hazard, adverse selection, supplier-induced demand, and lack of smart shopping.

Case Studies: Compares reforms across multiple countries and includes a real-life Indian malpractice case.

Emerging Trends: Analyzes AI, telemedicine, and digital trust challenges.

Policy Recommendations: Suggests regulation, education, insurance reform, tech integration, and global cooperation.

Conclusion: Calls for ethical and sustainable healthcare reform to restore trust.