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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	In the sampling part the researcher has used random sampling in the last stage of multi stage sampling. I would like to know whether the number of years in SHGs was taken into consideration while studying empowerment.	The number of year spent by the respondent in SHGs was taken into consideration while studying the approach. it is now included in the methodology and highlighted.
Minor REVISION comments	In the discussion part the author could have discussed about the factors affecting volunteerism, participation and empowerment , rather than restricting to a mere Quantitative statistical study.	This was taken care under descriptive analysis
Optional/General comments		