



SDI FINAL EVALUATION FORM 1.1

PART 1:

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	2012 IJTDH 2732
Title of the Manuscript:	Visceral leishmaniasis (Kala Azar) elimination from Indian sub-continent by 2015?

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
Comments: 1. Use of "<i>Kala azar</i>" needs to be consistent throughout the review. 2. On page 5, the authors stated that "More clinical research is required to develop new drugs and diagnostics", but provided no review on the shortcomings of miltefosine and amphotericin B (should be included). If these two drugs are "effective and long lasting" as claimed by the authors (page 5), one has to wonder why new drugs are needed. 3. Despite improvements, grammar and syntax issues still exist. A good and thorough proofreading is needed before publication.	Use has been made consistent. Line added "New Drugs will be required as Amphotericin B is an injectable preparation whose compliance is poorer as compared to a newer oral preparation and also in India the drug Miltefosine is not freely available." Proof Reading done & mistakes corrected & edited & highlighted in yellow.