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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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	• Aim/objective of the present study has to be mentioned in the concluding section of introduction justifying the purpose of the present study. • Sample collection: authors used serum samples but collected in EDTA bottles??Whether serum or plasma was used?	Effectuated Serum was used for the study. The samples were collected in plain bottles with no anticoagulant. Correction has been effectuated
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments		
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Overall, this study provided important informations regarding high prevalence of HBsAg as a marker of HBV exposure in the study area. This findings by rapid test method need validation in future studies using 3rd generation ELISA.	Noted. Further studies will involve the use of 3rd generation ELISA