

Review of: "Religiocentric Expression, Intolerance, and Conflict between Majority and Minority Ethnic Groups in Bangladesh"

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The authors collected interesting data that can help the debate concerning the relation between religion and conflict. AT this stage, the data are not presented in a proper fashion and the paper could engage better with the existing literature. I recommend making the following changes:

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- The writing style is overly laborious and therefore the paper is hard to read. Consider simplifying the paper.
- It would also be advisable to have the text checked by a native speaker.
- Maybe for section "Religiocentric Expression, Intolerance, and Conflict" have a look at:
 - Van Eyghen, Hans. "Biases for Evil and Moral Perfection." Religions 12.7 (2021): 521.
- The authors should note that Whitehouse's and Johnson's theories are at some points at odds with one another. The former attributes cohesion to ritual behavior and the latter to evolved dispositions for belief.
- Please explain what it means to have different cognitive views'
- Did the sample only consist of men? If so, note limitations from excluding women from the sample.
- There seems to be no need to explain the motivations by Stewart et al.
- The religiocentric questionnaire seems to be better tailored for the American context. Please note these limitations.
- The questions relating to religious conflict pertain to a likelihood to engage in conflict rather than actual conflict. Please note this limitations.
- Explain why it was relevant that the data was collected in the afternoon.
- Use the term 'correlations' rather than 'associations'.
- You write "positively associated with religious tolerance-intolerance". Do you mean positively associated with religious intolerance?
- 'Table not found'?
- You start using abbreviations about half way through. Either use them sooner or refrain from abbreviations altogether.
- You write "direct association between religiocentric expression and conflict-prone behavior was higher in the majority group than in th". Key question is whether the increase is significant. Please rephrase.

- Be careful with the term “replicated”. Replication takes on a specific meaning.
- Much of the literature referenced in ‘discussion’ could also be discussed in the introductory sections.
- I’m missing more on what the findings imply (for policy, religious self-understanding, etc.) I the discussion. Now it’s mainly a summary of the study’s results.