

Review of: "Signboards prohibiting tobacco sale within 100 yards of educational institutes: The appraisal of prohibition compliance and on-ground status of the COTPA Act, 2003 in Chanakyapuri Division of New Delhi Revenue District, the administrative precinct of India."

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This is a useful and well-written paper. I would like to suggest the following to improve its usefulness to international readership.

- 1. In the Background section, its better if the authorities and mechanisms responsible for enforcing and monitoring the compliance is also mentioned so that the readers that doesn't know the local context can get a comprehensive idea about the issue.
- 2. Methodology section starts by describing the study setting and referring to a "revenue district". It would be better if you explain what that term means in relation to administrative and geo-political context so us international readers can understand the context more.
- 3. Its better if the Table 1 is categorized according to the type of the institution and that results have compliance figures analyzed for each subtype.
- 4. Discussion does not include anything about the failure of the system to enforce and monitor compliance. I think as this is a policy related paper, its an important aspect to discuss.
- 5. Conclusion is bit non-specific and rather a summary of discussion than a conclusion based on the study findings. Better if it can be revised to highlight the enforcement gap.