

Review of: "Assessing Sex Education Awareness Among Higher Secondary School Students in India"

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The article tackles an important and relevant topic, particularly in an environment where there is much misinformation and attitudes are very easily formed with exposure to inaccurate information. While the author is to be commended for approaching the study in a systematic manner and having a reasonably good sample, the article, as it is, offers only a very basic and descriptive reading of the data and the approach to data collection. The survey tool could have incorporated a little more nuance to flesh out the understanding of attitudes among a group that is bound to have a complex relationship with sexuality and sex education. It would also be useful to provide a more detailed description of the methodology--where the students were interviewed and in which cities. Were they interviewed individually or in groups? What language was used? It would also help to supplement this with some secondary data on sex education programmes in the country and in the schools from which the study participants were drawn. As such, the evidence base for the recommendations (which are very broad and expansive) is thin, even as the recommendations themselves make sense.