

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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The author has researched for compliance to section 6(b) of COTPA in Chanakyapuri division of New Delhi. But I have a query whether study was approved by an Institutional Ethics Review Board. Further, author has used names of few schools and educational institutions. I wonder if it is ethical? it is better to keep the data anonymized.

My second comment is regarding Methodology. The research design is not clear. Whether study was qualitative or quantitative or mixed-methods? What were the tools used? Further, time-line of research is not mentioned. Method of data analysis is missing.

The conclusion needs to be rewritten.

I wish the author best of luck. Thanks!