Review of: "Challenges in Reducing Maternal Mortality Rate in Pakistan"

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Comments on the paper entitle "Challenges in Reducing Maternal Mortality Rate in Pakistan"

The topic has a great interest in the field of maternal health. But it is not clear that the author(s) wanted to find out from this article. There is clear objective(s) of this paper.

The abstract of the paper begins with the references. Author need be clear whether it is a reviewed paper or a original full paper.

Followings are the limitations of the paper:

1. Paper does not follow the journal style such as: Introduction, data and methods, Results, Discussion and conclusion, as well as references. data methods and results section is missing.
2. The abstract does not reflect the title i.e. in the abstract the findings and conclusion is absent. Is this paper, nothing said about the national health policy but recommended about the strategies, what type of strategies recommended is unclear? So, it is not given.
3. What are new findings of the paper? The challenges the authors were assessed are already established in various report. New contribution of the paper should be clarify.
4. Authors wrote WHO recommendation on reduce maternal mortality rates to less
   than 70 per 100,000 live births, is a critical goal for improving maternal health internationally (WHO, 2021) in the abstract. What is the national five year plan of long term goal not mentioned in the paper.
5. The discussion section is long. there is no new findings. All the results presented are from reviewed articles.
6. Author(s) do not define existing programmatic gap in health system to meet the SDGs but conclude improving the health strategies on maternal health.

In light of the above, the paper is not suitable for publication. I recommend to reject the paper.