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Journal Name:	<b>Asian Journal of Case Reports in Surgery</b>
Manuscript Number:	<b>Ms_AJCRS_110314</b>
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Dhoti Cancer – A Waistline Skin Cancer</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Case study</b>

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

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<p><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Is the manuscript important for scientific community?</b> (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</li> <li>2. <b>Is the title of the article suitable?</b> (If not please suggest an alternative title)</li> <li>3. <b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</b></li> <li>4. <b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></li> <li>5. <b>Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</b></li> <li>6. <b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</b></li> </ol> <p><b><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>The manuscript should have an impact in scientific community, especially on Indian community. The study doesn't show any new information comparing the exiting literature</b></li> <li>2. <b>Title suggestion: A Unique Case of Squamous Cell Carcinoma in Indian Males Wearing Dhoti, Case Report</b></li> </ol> <p><b>Introduction:</b> The presented article discusses a rare case of squamous cell carcinoma occurring along the waistline in Indian males who exclusively wear a traditional garment called dhoti. The authors emphasize the importance of raising awareness about this specific type of cancer, as it has been rarely documented in English literature. They provide a comprehensive overview of the clinical presentation, etiology, and management of dhoti cancer.</p> <p><b>Summary:</b> The article effectively highlights the significance of prolonged wearing of cotton garments like dhoti in the development of squamous cell carcinomas along the waistline in the traditional Indian population. It discusses the mechanism behind this condition, attributing it to continuous irritation caused by years of wearing these clothes, which leads to skin degeneration, glazing, dermatosis, acanthosis, scar formation, and subsequently malignant transformation. Moreover, the authors present a case study of a 70-year-old male with a ulceroproliferative growth on the right waistline, associated with a history of prolonged dhoti use. They describe the treatment procedure, which involved wide local excision of the growth with a 2 cm margin, and primary closure of the wound. They also highlight the importance of continuous monitoring for early detection and intervention in such cases.</p> <p><b>Discussion and Conclusion:</b> The article provides a comprehensive discussion on the etiology, clinical presentation, and management of dhoti cancer. The authors appropriately reference previous studies and individuals who have contributed to the understanding of this condition. They discuss possible hypotheses regarding the development of waistline skin malignancy, including continuous irritation and depressed immunological state due to surrounding scar tissue.</p> <p>The treatment options, including surgical excision with margin, skin grafting, and radiotherapy, are well-explained. The importance of early diagnosis and appropriate management is emphasized, as early stage squamous cell carcinoma has a high curability rate.</p> <p>Overall, this article presents an interesting case of dhoti cancer, shedding light on a rare condition predominantly observed in the traditional Indian population. The authors provide a comprehensive review of the subject, enhancing awareness and understanding within the medical community. The information presented is supported by relevant references and the case study provides valuable clinical insights. The manuscript is well-written, and the organization of the content is clear and logical.</p> <p>I would recommend publishing this article after reviewing.</p>	
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