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Journal Name:	South Asian Journal of Parasitology
Manuscript Number:	Ms_SAJP_110830
Title of the Manuscript:	Studies on Bancroftian filariasis in selected villages of Suru Local Government Area of Kebbi State, Nigeria.
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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p>Compulsory REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</p>	<p>It is important for the community</p> <p>Consider revising the title to be more specific and concise, reflecting the main focus of the study</p> <p>The abstract provides a good overview of the study's objectives and findings. Consider specifying the total number of villages in Suru LGA where the study was conducted in the abstract. There is a discrepancy in the prevalence percentages mentioned in the text. Table 1 mentions 0.70%, while the text refers to 0.71%. Ensure consistency.0.71%" or "0.70%" please make the changes</p>	
<p>4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p>	<p>Introduction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> background information on lymphatic filariasis is good. It could be helpful to provide a brief statement about the study's objectives at the end of the introduction to clarify the purpose of the research <p>Materials and Methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the study area, ethical clearance, sampling method, and various tests conducted. It is well-structured. Ensure consistency in the use of punctuation marks, particularly in lists (e.g., "Lymphedema, hydrocele, and fever/chills"). Consider providing more information about the Immunochromatographic Card Test (ICT) and its significance in the context of the study. Mention the manufacturer or source of the ICT kit. This is important and as well discuss on quality control Clarify the units for temperature (e.g., degrees Celsius) in the description of the study area. Consider adding subsections to break down the content further, especially for the various tests and examinations conducted. <p>Results:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The results section is well-organized, presenting data clearly in tables. When discussing results, provide interpretations and implications of the findings. Mention the sample size when discussing percentages (e.g., "Of the 420 participants tested..."). Provide more context or explanations for the statistics and their significance <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The discussion section should expand upon the results, explain their implications, and 	

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<p>5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</p> <p>6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</p> <p><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></p>	<p>compare them to existing literature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain why the prevalence rate of 0.70% is considered low and its significance. • Discuss potential reasons for the differences in prevalence rates between this study and previous ones. • Consider providing recommendations or suggestions for future research or public health interventions. <p>Overall, the article is well-structured and provides valuable information about lymphatic filariasis in the selected villages of Suru LGA. It could benefit from some minor language and grammar adjustments and a more in-depth discussion of the findings and their implications.</p> <p>Sufficient</p>	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Major corrections required on language</p>	
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