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Manuscript Number:	Original Manuscript_IJTDH_118035
Title of the Manuscript:	Prevalence and Related Risk Factors of Entamoeba complex infection among Asymptomatic School Children in the Ho Municipality, South-Eastern Ghana.
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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><u>Compulsory</u> 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>4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p> <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>1.The manuscript is significant for scientific community as it has addressed the Prevalence and Related Risk Factors of Entamoeba complex infections among School Children</p> <p>2.Yes, the title of the article suits for the content</p> <p>Yes, the abstract of the article is comprehensive</p> <p>Subsections of the manuscript need few modifications: Introduction- Authors have to add more information to show the relevance of the problem under investigation- ie Background and the risk factors of entamoeba infections among school children. Sampling – Details of sampling technique to be added. How the children from 6 schools were selected? Data Collection- It is mentioned in the manuscript that” sex, age, socio-economic settings, source of food, drinking water, fingernails biting /thumb sucking habit, type of toilet facility at home were obtained from the children”. Is a 4 year old child is able to provide this information? Authors have not mentioned how they have collected the data related to risk factors of infection.</p> <p>Is the stool specimens from participating children were collected in the school? How is it possible from all 302 children? Whether the small children (4years) were able to follow the strict instructions of researchers (regarding stool collection)? Results- Demographic profile of the subjects and parasitological profile could have described using small tables for better comparison and explanation</p> <p>Yes, the manuscript is scientifically correct, but it need to incorporate the above mentioned suggestions</p> <p>References are sufficient. A significant number pf references are old ones. It is better to include few more new research evidences as the present study highlights a significant public health issue</p>	
<p><u>Minor</u> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Yes, language/English quality of the article is suitable for scholarly communications.</p>	
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