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Journal Name:	<a href="#">Journal of Advances in Biology &amp; Biotechnology</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_JABB_124745
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Influence of Seasonal Variation on Biochemical Parameters in Murrah Buffalo</b>
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**PART 1: Review Comments**

<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
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	<p><b>Abstract</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The abstract mentions that a highly significant effect was observed on certain biochemical parameters but does not specify the exact values or the nature of these changes. Including specific data would enhance clarity and impact.</li> <li>While it notes non-significant results for creatinine and total bilirubin, it fails to elaborate on the implications of these findings, which could be important for understanding the overall study outcomes.</li> </ol> <p><b>Introduction</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The introduction could benefit from a more comprehensive review of existing literature on seasonal effects on biochemical parameters in livestock. This would provide a stronger foundation for the study's relevance and necessity.</li> <li>The introduction does not clearly articulate the specific research gap that this study aims to fill, which is crucial for justifying the research.</li> </ol> <p><b>Materials and Methods</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The manuscript mentions the use of an automated blood biochemistry analyzer but lacks detailed information on the sample size, selection criteria, and statistical methods used for analysis. This information is essential for replicability and understanding the robustness of the findings.</li> <li>The method of blood sample collection is briefly mentioned but could be elaborated to ensure that the process is clear and reproducible.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.</b></p>	<p><b>Results</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The results section could improve by including tables or figures that summarize the biochemical parameters measured. This would make it easier for readers to grasp the findings at a glance.</li> <li>While the results mention comparisons with other studies, it does not provide a thorough analysis of how these findings align or contrast with existing literature, which could enhance the discussion.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></p>	<p><b>Discussion</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The discussion could delve deeper into the physiological mechanisms behind the observed seasonal variations in biochemical parameters. This would provide a more comprehensive understanding of the implications of the findings.</li> <li>The manuscript does not address any limitations of the study, which is important for contextualizing the results and guiding future research.</li> </ol> <p><b>Conclusion</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The conclusion should succinctly summarize the key findings and their implications for veterinary practice or livestock management. Currently, it lacks a strong takeaway message.</li> <li>The conclusion could suggest areas for future research, which would be beneficial for advancing knowledge in this field.</li> </ol> <p><b>Part C: Technical</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The study does not mention a control group for comparison, which is essential for validating the results. Include a control group of Murrah buffalo that are not subjected to seasonal variations to provide a baseline for comparison of biochemical parameters.</li> <li>The sample size of 10 adult female Murrah buffalo may be too small to draw statistically significant conclusions. Increase the sample size to enhance the reliability of the results and ensure that the findings are representative of the population.</li> <li>The statistical methods used for analysis are not clearly defined, particularly regarding the assumptions of the t-test. Provide a detailed explanation of the statistical methods, including assumptions, tests for normality, and justification for using the t-test for paired samples.</li> <li>The results for creatinine and total bilirubin are reported as non-significant but lack detailed statistical data. Present the mean values, standard errors, and p-values for all biochemical parameters, including those that are non-significant, to provide a complete picture of the findings.</li> </ol>	

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<p><u>Minor</u> REVISION comments</p> <p><b>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</b></p>		
<p><u>Optional/General</u> comments</p>		

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	<p><b>Reviewer's comment</b></p>	<p><b>Author's comment</b> (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>
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