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Manuscript Number:	Ms_SAJP_124336
Title of the Manuscript:	EVALUATION OF KNOWLEDGE, STIGMATIZATION AND TREATMENT METHODS ON LYMPHATIC FILARIASIS IN SURU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF KEBBI STATE, NIGERIA.
Type of the Article	

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<p><b>Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</b></p>	<p>This manuscript discusses a neglected tropical disease which affects the people, mostly in rural areas. It is important that this is studied to create awareness about the disease and how it can be treated and prevented</p>	
<p><b>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</b></p>	<p>EVALUATION OF THE KNOWLEGDE AND TREATMENT OPTIONS WHICH ARE TRADITIONALLY USED TO TREAT LYMPHATIC FILARIASIS IN SURU AREA OF KEBBI STATE, NIGERIA The stigma issues can still be mentioned as part of the discussion without making it part of the title</p>	
<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>More information can be added on the background, the study can give a bit of details on what lymphatic filariasis is, how it is transmitted. The aim of the study and data collection method should also be clearly stated. The conclusion should clearly answer the main objective of the study</p>	
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