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Title of the Manuscript:	Preschoolers' household dietary diversity and their nutritional status in Tamale Metropolis
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

PART 1: Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback (Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	This manuscript addresses a critical area in public health by exploring the relationship between dietary diversity and preschoolers' nutritional status in a developing country context. It provides valuable insights into dietary patterns and their implications for child health, which can inform policy interventions in regions with similar socioeconomic dynamics. The study's findings contribute to the literature on food security, dietary diversity, and nutritional outcomes.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	The current title is suitable and clearly conveys the study's focus. However, for enhanced clarity and specificity, consider revising it to: <i>"Household Dietary Diversity and Its Influence on Preschoolers' Nutritional Status in Tamale Metropolis, Ghana."</i>	
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.	The abstract is comprehensive and provides a good overview of the study. However, it could benefit from emphasizing the lack of a significant relationship between household dietary diversity and nutritional outcomes earlier, as this is a key finding. Additionally, explicitly stating the methods used to determine the lack of significance (e.g., statistical tests) would enhance clarity.	
Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.	The manuscript appears scientifically robust with clearly defined methodology and well-documented findings. The statistical methods used are appropriate for the research questions posed.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	The references are sufficient and include recent and relevant sources. However, it may be beneficial to include more recent studies from 2020 onwards that examine similar topics in comparable contexts, if available.	
Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	The manuscript's language is generally clear and appropriate for scholarly communication. Minor grammatical refinements and stylistic adjustments could improve readability.	
Optional/General comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The introduction provides a strong rationale for the study but could briefly outline the key gaps in the existing literature that this study addresses. The discussion is thorough but could integrate more global perspectives to contextualize findings beyond the local scope. Including practical recommendations based on the findings would increase the manuscript's utility for policymakers and practitioners. 	

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PART 2:

	<u>Reviewer's comment</u>	<u>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)</u>
<u>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</u>	<u>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</u>	

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