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Manuscript Number:	Ms_JALSI_78544
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**PART 1: Review Comments**

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<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<p><b>Introduction:</b>            *The introduction is devoid of discussion about the microorganisms identified in the study.            * The author should talk about Methods of prevention of transmission of infectious agents through Currency Note and state the advantage of No banknote (Cashless) payment.</p> <p>*Line 32-33 reference citation seem to be missing "Abused naira notes were reported as vehicles of bacteria and agents of cross contamination".</p> <p>*Line 46-47, Author (s) should Please recast the statement because several works has been done on Bacterial contamination of Nigerian Currency Notes in Nigeria even in Imo State (e.g Chigozie <i>et al</i>, (2021) with dio: 10.7717/peerj.10795) "Studies of the contamination of money with microbial agents is lacking in Owerri, Imo state."</p> <p><b>MATERIALS AND METHODS</b></p> <p>* Study area in Owerri, Imo State should be clearly defined by the author (s).</p> <p><b>Bacterial Quality Analysis</b></p> <p>*There should be reference citation on the method used for isolation</p> <p>*Line 65-67 "The containers bearing the notes were covered and intermittently rotated to dislodge the cells into the suspension." Please State the speed of with regular vigorous shaking (XX rpm).</p> <p><b>Identification</b></p> <p>*There should be reference citation on the method used for identification</p> <p>*There should be a section of PCR for bacterial species identification.</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b>            The discussion needs to be much improved; there are several studies on the subject addressed</p> <p><b>References:</b>            The references should be checked carefully and more current studies on currency note should be consulted and referenced.</p>	
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