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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Medicine and Health
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJMAH_129949
Title of the Manuscript:	Community Perceptions of Speeding and Road Safety in Agona Swedru, Ghana: Insights for Evidence-Based Policy and Practice
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

PART 1: 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>
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 crucial public health issue by exploring community perceptions of speeding and road safety in Agona Swedru, Ghana. Its focus on socio-cultural and economic dimensions enriches the discourse on localized interventions for road safety. The study contributes to evidence-based policy-making by highlighting context-specific factors influencing road traffic accidents (RTAs) in low- and middle-income countries, which is particularly valuable for sustainable solutions in the global South.	Thank you so much
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Assessment: The title is relevant and concise, effectively reflecting the content and objectives of the study. Suggestion: Consider specifying the research method, e.g., "A Qualitative Study of Community Perceptions of Speeding and Road Safety in Agona Swedru, Ghana."	Thank you for the suggestion.

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<p>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.</p>	<p>Assessment: The abstract captures the essence of the study but lacks detailed information about the methodology and the implications of the findings.</p> <p>Suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Include specific details about the sample size, data collection, and analysis methods.• Highlight the most significant findings and their relevance to road safety interventions in Ghana.	<p>Thank you for your suggestion.</p>
<p>Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.</p>	<p>Introduction: Assessment: The introduction provides an overview of the global and local road safety context but does not adequately define the research gap. Suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strengthen the justification for focusing on Agona Swedru by citing more local statistics and challenges.• Clearly articulate the specific gap in literature addressed by this study. <p>Literature Review Assessment: While it outlines global and local contexts, the review lacks critical engagement with prior studies and theoretical frameworks. Suggestions: Critique the limitations of previous studies to underscore the need for this research. Discuss theoretical models (e.g., Health Belief Model) to frame the research.</p> <p>Methods Assessment: The methodology is described but lacks depth, particularly regarding sampling and ethical considerations. Suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide a clear rationale for the purposive sampling technique and include more details on participant demographics.• Elaborate on the ethical approval process and how confidentiality was ensured. <p>Results Assessment: The results are descriptive but lack sufficient statistical analysis and visual representation. Suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use statistical tools or thematic analysis frameworks to present the findings more rigorously.• Incorporate tables, charts, or figures to visualize data and make key trends more accessible. <p>Discussion Assessment: The discussion interprets the findings well but does not thoroughly link them to existing literature or policy implications. Suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Compare findings with similar studies to highlight consistencies or divergences.• Expand on the practical implications of the findings, particularly for policymakers and road safety campaigns. <p>Conclusion Assessment: The conclusion summarizes the findings but does not discuss broader implications or future research directions. Suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Include recommendations for future research to address limitations and extend the study's scope.• Emphasize how this study contributes to global and regional road safety strategies. <p>Ethical Considerations Assessment: The manuscript mentions ethical clearance but lacks detailed information. Suggestions: Provide more details about how consent was obtained and documented. Clarify whether participants were informed of their right to withdraw at any time.</p>	<p>All corrections well acknowledged and worked on</p>

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Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	References Assessment: References are relevant but not sufficiently recent or comprehensive. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Update the references to include more recent studies, particularly those published after 2020.Ensure all citations are accurately formatted according to journal guidelines.	Noted and revised
Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	Language and Style Assessment: The manuscript contains minor grammatical errors and lacks smooth transitions between sections. Suggestions: Conduct thorough proofreading to correct grammatical issues and improve readability. Strengthen the flow of ideas with better transitional sentences.	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	<p>The manuscript presents a relevant and timely study with significant implications for road safety in Ghana. However, it requires minor to moderate revisions to address methodological gaps, enhance analytical rigor, and improve presentation.</p> <p>There is no indication of plagiarism in the manuscript based on its content and structure. However, it would be prudent for the authors to ensure proper citations and originality.</p> <p>PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT</p>	I am grateful for your inputs

PART 2:

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