

## Review Form 1.6

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| Journal Name:            | <a href="#">Archives of Current Research International</a>                                 |
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| Type of the Article      | Case study   |

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### PART 1: Review Comments

|                                     | Reviewer's comment   | 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)  |
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| <b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments | <p><b>Some additional information is needed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> In the introduction: what are “woredas”? Which services do they care about? How many inhabitants do they have on average?</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> In the introduction: you should add more citations for the participatory budget. For example BRUN-MARTOS M. I., LAPSLEY I. (2017), “Democracy, governmentality and transparency: participatory budgeting in action”, Public Management Review, 19(7), pp. 1006-1021; de SOUSA SANTOS B. (1998), “Participatory budgeting in Porto Alegre: Toward a redistributive democracy”, Politics &amp; Society, 26(4), pp. 461-510.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> In section 2.1, third line: you write about “health activities”. The expression is too generic, and more details are needed: are these health activities some hospital treatments? Or are they also medical treatments outside hospitals? Or do they include the distribution of drugs? Or other?</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> In section 2.1: how many members do the Social Accountability Committees have? How many members of these Committees are women?</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> In section 2.1: you cite “the concept of Participatory Rapid Appraisal”: could you add at least one citation?</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> In section 2.3: how much do the participatory budget affect the total amount of health expenses?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Districts of Ethiopia, also called woreda, are the third-level of the administrative division of Ethiopia – after zones and the regional states. These districts are further subdivided into a number of wards called kebele which are the smallest unit of local government in Ethiopia. Each has average of 70,000 people</li><li>• More citations relevant to the topic added</li><li>• The activities are highlighted in section 2.3 <b>line 8-11</b></li><li>• Each Social Accountability Committees has 12 members ? there are minimum of 2 women in each of the committees</li><li>• Citation on the concept of Participatory Rapid Appraisal”: included.</li><li>• There was no data on the health expenses as at the time the study</li></ul> |
| <b>Minor</b> REVISION comments      | Please check the use of brackets.<br>Revise the English language of the fifth paragraph of section 3.1 (“The study found that about...”).  | Corrected  |
| <b>Optional/General</b> comments    |  |  |

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PART 2:

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