

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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To  
Editor in chief  
Journal of Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons

Dear Sir

I would like to thank you for publishing the original article: 'Medico-social Profile of Women Experiencing Menopausal Syndrome Attending a Peri-urban Hospital' in your journal. I must thank the authors for conducting the primary research work on this topic. I have gone through it. The topics of the study, objective, method, and conclusion were written in proper way. The introduction was properly written. There are some observation. In result section the description does not correspond with the table. The mean age at menopause was  $44.65 \pm 6.4$ , but there is no corresponding table for this important variable. Mean age at first marriage was  $15.2 \pm 3.4$ . The Standard deviation of mean age at first marriage was 34, which is too wide. The class interval of age of marriage is inadequate. In table VI there seems to be repetition of same variable (not dependent & self earning is the same). In the discussion section it is written that the researchers found that about 40% had premature menopause, but there is no corresponding table. It would be better if they mentioned which group they called premature menopause.

At the end, I must thank and appreciate the authors for their hard work. The study is informative. I would request them to be generous to accept my soft criticism on the topic.

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Sir

We would like to appreciate Dr. Nazneen Begum for her keen observation and comments on the article.

Regarding the first comment, there was a table on Age at Menopause in the manuscript which was omitted according to reviewer's suggestion, mistakenly the mean age been retained in result section. Mean age at first marriage was  $15.2 \pm 3.4$  years, 34 was typo error. We do agree that not dependent and self earning is same.

Premature menopause was defined as menopause before 40 years of age

Thank you

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