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Journal Name:	**Asian Journal of Research in Dermatological Science**
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Title of the Manuscript:	**The Minus One Rule of Hairwash in Monsoon**
Type of the Article	**Short communication**

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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)*
Compulsory REVISION comments	**The objectives of the paper are** • **one to understand the hair fall in monsoon and** • **to reduce the hair fall.** **The first objective justification is not clear as there is no comparison done in any other season. Without comparing in other seasons we cannot conclude that the hair fall observed is high.** **I suggest to observe and provide data for another season to establish the hair fall is high in monsoon. Give justification for the same.** **The second objective is justified and fine.**	We thank and appreciate the reviewer's comment. The justification for increased hairfall in the monsoon season has been highlighted in the discussion part in the lines: "Increased hairfall during monsoons has been explained as an evolutionary adaptation in humans, where a head full of hair is needed for thermal insulation during winters. As the day gets longer in summer, telogen phase sets in and telogen hair then continue to protect man from the scorching sun of summers with a late telogen release at the end of summer or early fall". In addition, prior studies (reference 5,6 in manuscript) have found an increased frequency of hairfall during the monsoon season compared to other seasons. Our study was a cross-sectional study carried out at a point of time when hairfall is expected to be high in a tropical country. We have highlighted the frequency of hairfall perceived by the participants in our study in different seasons in lines: "Of the 25 patients, 76% experienced maximum hairfall in monsoon, 16% in summer and 8% in spring. Sixty eight percent said that their hair fall was least during winters"(highlighted in yellow in main manuscript file). Hence, we have a patient reported response of maximum hairfall during the monsoon season compared to other seasons.
Minor REVISION comments		
Optional/General comments	The objectives are good.	

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PART 2:

	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)*
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	*(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)*	We appreciate the reviewer's comments. No, there were no ethical issues in conducting this study as all participants gave their written and informed consent prior to enrolment.