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The Psychosocial Burden of Community during the COVID-19 Pandemic Period in Indonesia

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## Decision on submission HELIYON-D-20-05093 to Heliyon

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Title: The Psychosocial Burden of Community during the COVID-19 Pandemic Period in Indonesia

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Dear Mr. Megatsari,

Thank you for submitting your manuscript to Heliyon.

We have completed the review of your manuscript and a summary is appended below. The reviewers recommend major revisions are required before publication can be considered.

If you are able to address all reviewer comments in full, I invite you to resubmit your manuscript. We ask that you respond to each reviewer comment by either outlining how the criticism was addressed in the revised manuscript or by providing a rebuttal to the criticism. This should be carried out in a point-by-point fashion as illustrated here: https://www.cell.com/heliyon/guide-for-authors#Revisions

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I look forward to receiving your revised manuscript.

Kind regards, Heng Choon (Oliver) Chan Associate Editor - Psychology Heliyon

Editor and Reviewer comments:

Editor: The authors should carefully proofread the manuscript for language, by either hiring a professional copyeditor or inviting a native English speaker to proofread the text for grammar and sentence structure.

Reviewer #1: Methods:

The authors stated "Psychosocial burden is determined based on worries level (Li et al. 2020; Moccia et al. 2020). The worries level is built based on the assessment of anxiety in 5 aspects of daily life: economic, religious, educational, employment, and social relationship aspects." The authors need to compare and contrast with studies that used established questionnaire such as Depression, Anxiety and Stress Scale (DASS-21). The questionnaire designed by authors not validated and not a measure of anxiety. Please state as a limitation in the discussion by refer to the following study:

Hao F, Tan W, Jiang L, et al. Do psychiatric patients experience more psychiatric symptoms during COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown? A Case-Control Study with Service and Research Implications for Immunopsychiatry [published online ahead of print, 2020 Apr 27]. Brain Behav Immun. 2020;S0889-1591(20)30626-7. doi:10.1016/j.bbi.2020.04.069

## Interpretation:

1) Under the discussion, the authors stated the following:

"This finding is in line with several previous studies. That maturity and age are hypothesized to be positively related to subjective well-being, which can be interpreted as having the ability to overcome and adapt to existing problems and situations (Sheldon and Kasser 2001). In another article, it also states that older people generally can interpret events in their lives better than those below (Steger, M. F., Oishi, S., & Kashdan 2009). This study found that males have a lower probability than females to experience middle and high categories of worries. These findings inform that males are better able to cope with

stressful situations during a pandemic than females. The pressure identified during the pandemic from this research, which is suspected to increase anxiety, is education and occupancy aspects. This study's results reinforce the findings of previous studies, which found that males are a protective factor for psychosocial (Kiely, Brady, and Byles 2019). The article also illustrates that female respondents are more likely to experience mental disorders in the form of depression

and anxiety than male respondents. The analysis found that a high level of education was a protective factor of the worries.

In this case, someone with a high level of education can get the right information and process it into something useful to calm his psychological condition (Hurwitz, Greenhalgh, and Skultans 2008). A better education level can also make a person more careful and think from various

perspectives in making a decision (Tappe, Allensworth, and Grizzell 2010)."

I have concerned with the interpretations. The authors referred to references that were published before COVID-19. It is more appropriate to refer to references that were published during the COVID-19 pandemic. Please refer to the following references:

The relationship between age, gender and protective factors on anxiety during COVID-19 pandemic:

Wang C, Pan R, Wan X, et al. (2020a) Immediate Psychological Responses and Associated Factors during the Initial Stage of the 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Epidemic among the General Population in China. Int J Environ Res Public Health. 2020;17(5):1729. Published 2020 Mar 6. doi:10.3390/ijerph17051729

Wang C, Pan R, Wan X, et al. (2020b) A Longitudinal Study on the Mental Health of General Population during the COVID-19 Epidemic in China [published online ahead of print, 2020 Apr 13]. Brain Behav Immun. 2020; S0889-1591(20)30511-0. doi:10.1016/j.bbi.2020.04.028

2) Under the discussion, the authors stated "The results of the study inform that the work type is one of the determinants of the

psychosocial burden (worries level) of the community during the COVID-19 pandemic period in Indonesia. The study results showed that the occupation groups of farmers, fishermen, and factory workers were the groups that experienced quite high anxiety compared to other occupational

groups." Please discuss findings from a different country. The following study reported low anxiety in factory workers due to precautionary measures. Please mention the findings of the following study:

Tan W, Hao F, McIntyre RS, et al. Is Returning to Work during the COVID-19 Pandemic Stressful? A Study on Immediate Mental Health Status and Psychoneuroimmunity Prevention Measures of Chinese Workforce [published online ahead of print, 2020 Apr 23]. Brain Behav Immun. 2020;S0889-1591(20)30603-6. doi:10.1016/j.bbi.2020.04.055

3) The authors should suggest how to reduce worries and anxiety. Please refer to the following article that suggests to use cognitive behavior therapy to reduce worries and anxiety during COVID.

Ho CS, Chee CY, Ho RC. Mental Health Strategies to Combat the Psychological Impact of COVID-19 Beyond Paranoia and Panic. Ann Acad Med Singapore. 2020;49(3):155-160.

Reviewer #2: Methods: statistical analyses are appropriate but the selection of sample contradicts with the questions in the questionnaire (e,g., how can COVID affect the professional life of the study participants of age below 19 who don't work and how can individuals, who were unmarried and didn't have children answer the question: how it affected the education of your children?

- 2. Results: results are in line with previous studies?
- 3. Interpretation: conclusion is simply the repetition of results. Implications of the study are totally missing?

Other comments: Introduction is very weak, it needs a thorough revision Rationale of the study is missing Objectives, research question and Hypotheses are missing Discussion is not effectively written, the author should justify the results

There is no standard use of reference style in the running text and reference list as well Expression of English language is poor

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Kind regards, Laura Salisbury Editorial Assistant Heliyon

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