Author's reply

Sir,

We went through the reader's comments^[1] sent by you for reply. The comments were related to our article published in one of the previous issues of Lung India.^[2] Point wise clarification is as follows:

- 1. Our study was based on the prescription obtained from six physicians and three different hospitals only. The study was limited to a small urban region of Gorakhpur and prescriptions obtained from hospitals were indicating toward the prevalence of asthma in males. However, study performed by Jindal *et al.*^[3] was a large scale hard core epidemiological study extended up to four different major cities of India which is not comparable to limited area, prescription- based study performed by us.
- 2. We have taken prescription from both types of hospitals government as well as private. So chances are very less for our results to be biased from financial constraint.

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