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I think my paper is suitable for publication in an ethics journal because social hierarchy is a reality in India. It not only infringes the right to appropriate care and public health education of these sanitation workers, but also comes back to jeopardize the community's wider interests. Being a public health issue, it suits a journal of medical ethics.

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