**“The things society does hurts us more than the virus” – a narrative inquiry of stigma among patients with COVID 19 in Chennai, India.**

**COREQ Checklist for reporting qualitative studies**

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| Topic | Description | Reported on page no. |
| Research Team and Reflexivity | | |
| Interviewer characteristics | Which authors conducted the interviews? | 3 |
| Credentials? | 3 |
| Occupation? | 3 |
| Gender | 3 |
| Experience and Training | 3 |
| Relationship with Participants | Was prior relationship established between participants and interviewers? | 3 |
| What did the participants know about the researchers? | 3 |
| What characteristics about the interviewer were reported to the participants? | 3 |
| Study Design | | |
| Methodological Orientation and Theory | Methodological Orientation | 2 |
| Participant Selection | Sampling | 3 |
| Method of Approach | 3 |
| Sample size | 3 |
| Non participation | - |
| Setting | Setting of data collection | 3 |
| Was anyone else present during data collection? | 3 |
| Important characteristics of the sample | (described throughout the manuscript) |
| Data Collection | Interview Guide | 3 |
| Repeat interviews | - |
| Audio/Visual recording | - |
| Field Notes | 3 |
| Duration of interviews | 3 |
| Data Saturation | 3 |
| Transcripts returned to participants for comments? | - |
| Analysis and Findings | | |
| Data Analysis | Number of data coders | 3 |
| Description of coding tree | 3 and Supplementary File |
| Themes | 3 and Supplementary File |
| Software used to manage data | 3 |
| Participants provide feedback on findings | - |
| Reporting | Participant Quotations provided | 4 – 10 |
| Consistency between data presented and findings | 4 – 10 |
| Major themes clearly presented | 4 – 10 |
| Is there description of diverse cases or discussion of minor themes? | 4 - 10 |