Questionnaire ItemAll (n=190)		Ready (n=168) Less ready (n=22)	
How prepared do you feel			
Q1to breastfeed your baby? <sup>b</sup>	9.2 (1.3)	9.4 (1.2)	8.1 (1.8)
Q2to express your own breastmilk for your baby? <sup>d</sup>	9.2 (1.4)	9.5 (1.1)	7.7 (2.0)
Q3to cup feed expressed breastmilk to your baby? <sup>a</sup>	9.1 (1.5)	9.2 (1.3)	7.6(1.6)
Q4 to know how much FM 85 powder to add to your expressed breastmilk?	9.0(1.8)	9.1 (1.9)	8.5 (1.2)
Q5 to bathe, change nappy and dress your baby? <sup><math>c</math></sup>	9.8 (0.8)	9.9 (0.7)	9.2 (1.3)
Q6about your knowledge of how many wet nappies and bowel movements your baby will have per day? <sup>b</sup>	8.8 (2.1)	8.9 (2.0)	7.6 (2.4)
Q7to know that your baby is warm enough? <sup>e</sup>	9.2 (1.6)	9.3 (1.5)	8.4 (2.1)
Q8on what medicines your baby will take at home?	9.6(1.1)	9.6(1.1)	9.1 (1.3)
Q9to give these medicines to your baby? <sup>c</sup>	9.6(1.1)	9.7 (1.0)	8.7 (1.7)
Q10about what you must do when your baby has a fever or gets sick at home? <sup>b</sup>	9.1 (1.5)	9.3 (1.3)	7.9 (2.0)
Q11to practise continuous KMC at home? <sup>b</sup>	9.8 (0.7)	9.9 (0.4)	8.8(1.5)
Q12to tie your baby in the KMC position? <sup>c</sup>	9.8 (0.9)	9.8 (0.8)	9.0(1.4)
How confident/sure do you feel			
Q13that your baby's heart and breathing are stable and it is safe to go home? <sup><i>a</i></sup>	8.9 (1.6)	9.2 (1.5)	7.2 (1.5)
Q14 that your baby is strong enough to go home now? <sup><math>a</math></sup>	9.0(1.4)	9.3 (1.2)	7.0(1.7)
Q15that you will be able to breastfeed your baby at home? <sup>b</sup>	9.6 (0.9)	9.8 (0.7)	8.8(1.5)
Q16that you will be able to cup feed your baby at home? <sup>b</sup>	9.4 (1.3)	9.4 (1.2)	8.7 (1.2)
Q17 that you know when and how often to feed your baby during the day/night? <sup><math>c</math></sup>	9.7 (0.7)	9.8 (0.6)	9.0(1.3)
Q18 that you are ready for your baby to come home? <sup><math>a</math></sup>	9.6(1.0)	9.9 (0.3)	7.3 (1.4)
Q19that you can carry your baby skin-to-skin at home? <sup>b</sup>	9.8 (0.7)	9.9 (0.3)	8.9 (1.4)
Q20that you will be able to take care of your baby at home? <sup><math>c</math></sup>	9.8 (0.5)	9.9 (0.3)	9.3 (1.1)
Q21to give your baby the daily medicine?	9.8(0.7)	9.8 (0.7)	9.5 (0.8)
Q22. Please tell us how ready you feel overall to take your baby home <sup><math>a</math></sup>	9.7 (1.0)	10.0 (0.2)	7.7 (2.0)

Web Table I Scores on	Individual Maternal	Discharge Readiness Items
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Value in mean (SD). <sup>a</sup>P<0.001; <sup>b</sup>P<0.01; <sup>c</sup>P<0.05; <sup>d</sup>P=0.01; <sup>e</sup>P=0.05.