

## Review of: "The Complexity of Leaving No One Behind: Unmasking and Emphasizing Multiple and Intersectional Marginalisation in India"

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This article is indeed an interesting piece of work. Congratulations...!

The frequent usage of the term 'marginalization' in fact calls for the conceptualization/contextualization of certain terms like margin, marginalized and marginalization. Also while authors have mentioned about certain provisions (such as healthcare, education, sanitation, infrastructure or well being) available to the people living in border areas but these provisions being inadequate. However how they contribute to the marginalization of people is not reflected in the article? Certain determinants of marginalization mentioned are culture, ethnicity, language, or being at the borders and so on; however the question that why marginalization based on these parameters warrant special attention needs to be addressed? Also the authors do not offer an understanding of the linkages between bordering areas and marginalization or marginalization and disparities or between SDG and marginalization.

While authors have shed some light on the spatial distribution of marginalized people however, how are these various marginalities different from the other? The authors therefore need to go for structural analysis of the marginalized groups and do away with the pre-conceived idea of "away from the centre of action and power". What are the existing strategies of the state towards dealing with the issue of marginalization? Once these are known and evaluated, they offer a critical understanding of how a comprehensive framework of policies and strategies can be arrived at, which can subsequently empower the marginalized communities or ensuring equitable access to various services.

Above all, the significance of any study relies on the method and review of existing literature which unfortunately is missing.

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