

Review of: "Weathering changes – livelihood adaptation to weather shocks in rural India by disadvantaged social groups"

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- The issue selected here is relevant and timely, it discusses about the most attention seeking area in the Indian society.
- In the Introduction part, no explanation is given about who are the disadvantaged groups in the Indian society. Further clarification is needed so that the readers can get awareness about the targeted groups.
- In Literature Review section, mostly old studies are included, it will be more appropriate to incorporate review of recent studies.
- The title is about Adaptation of livelihood to weather shocks, but it is nowhere mentioned about how the disadvantaged groups are adapting to this and what are the techniques used by them.
- The title and the manuscript are not matching and the usage of the word "Weathering" is inappropriate in this case.
- Author has said that NREGS can improve the existing situation, but will it cover the whole group or will it affect the migration tendency of the groups? Also, the role played by NREGS can be included.
- Objectives of the study, Population selected for the study and the Research Methodology used are missing.
- The author has discussed regarding SCs and STs but have not covered the remaining backward castes in the disadvantaged groups.
- Under Research Questions section, no need to insert question marks as the sentence is more like a statement.
- In figures what is SPE16 value mean, clarify using footnote.
- The Conclusion section can be cut short. This will help readers get a proper picture of the research problem.
- Discussions can also include separate heads like Recommendations and Scope for future study.
- Overall structure of the manuscript can be improved.