

Review of: "Assessing the Role of Consumer Cooperatives in Improving Livelihood of the Members of Hawassa Zuria Woreda, Sidama Regional State, Ethiopia"

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- The authors used the term "narrative analysis." I think they got it wrong; they meant thematic analysis? Because there is no narrative analysis used in the study.
- What is "livelihood in this context"?
- There is something wrong with the way the paper starts. It may be an error created while posting.
- "Therefore, this study fills a research gap by focusing specifically on the impact of consumer cooperatives on the livelihoods of members in Hawassa Zuria Woreda." Page 1- This paper alone cannot fill the gap. It just contributes something towards that.
- "...low literacy rates...."
- "Fourthly, previous studies on consumer cooperatives have focused primarily on their economic benefits, such as access to affordable goods and improved income generation." Contradicts a claim above stating that there are no studies on consumer cooperatives in Ethiopia.
- The literature review is shallow, and the purpose is not clear.
- Data sources are not clear. A certain office (Sidama Region Employees' Road Construction and Transport Authority) is a primary source, and written and unwritten sources are secondary sources. Why is the mentioned office primary? And are all written or unwritten sources secondary? What is the concept of primary and secondary sources?
- Qualitative data results are not detailed. I mean, for example, we don't have a single direct quote.
- The conclusion starts with the following sentence: "The study conducted on factors affecting employee motivation in the public sector found that salary, promotion, job satisfaction, recognition, and work conditions have a positive and statistically significant effect on employee motivation." What is this at all? Was this the objective of the study? I don't understand.

Needs major revision and re-evaluation.