

## Review of: "The Contribution of Subsistence Agriculture to the Livelihoods of the Smallholder Farmers in South Kivu Province, Democratic Republic of Congo"

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The article is well written.

Yet, it needs some improvements:

- 1-the overall writ-up needs to be reorganized by strictly following to a specific journal guideline.
- 2-the research gap and objectives needs to be clearly stated and revisited. The problem statement in the Abstract section needs to be stated as well.
- 3-Results part needs to be reorganized and properly sectioned in addressing the research gap and objectives
- 4-Conclusins and Recommendations need to be strictly drawn from own Results
- 5-The contribution of this paper needs to be evaluated from the small holder farmers in Kivu Province of Conga in particular and global level in general. The authors need also to evaluate their results and recommendations if they really have significant contributions to solving the problems of the farmers? In other words, they need to evaluate if the study worth of researching and has original and new ideas towards solving the community problems.

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