Review of: "Comparative Analysis of Sustainable Livestock Development as a Source of Livelihood to Farmers of Maharashtra and Jammu and Kashmir"

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The study offers intriguing insights into farming systems and strategies for enhancing competitiveness, notably through breeder training, yet certain revisions are warranted.

1. Title of the article - title could be slightly modified.

2. Abstract - incorporate the names of states into the summary to improve clarity. Also, briefly and clearly write and explain the aim of the study in the abstract for further communication and understanding of the aims and findings of the research.

3. Table 1 - the table is confusing as the last 7 columns are missing their headings. The significance of the values is not clear, making it difficult to understand the complete picture. Moreover, the table appears to be incomplete. Without a clear explanation of the meanings of these values, it becomes challenging to determine the accuracy of the drawn conclusions.

4. Table 2 - change the title of the Table because the Table includes information about sheep and pigs, and the title only mentions cattle.

5. Table 3 - where is Table 3?

6. Table 4 - the table is redundant as the information it contains could have been presented in text form.

7. "India's per capita milk and egg availability improved or trended upward because of the government of India as well as the government of Jammu and Kashmir implementing various schemes and improved cooperative performance." Could you please list the schemes that you are referring to? It would help me understand better.

8. Table 5 is unclear. The terms used, such as "% change of eggs," need clarification. Below the table, you should write explanations of such terms.

9. Table 6 - "Veterinary hospital polyclinics/000 animals"? You need to either change that or provide an explanation. Additionally, you should clarify the results in the table. While it is written that the number of veterinary facilities is increasing, the table shows a decrease.

10. Table 7 - this information doesn't necessarily need to be presented visually; it could be communicated in a textual format instead.

11. "In 2011–12, the schemes received an outlay of 3251.00 lakhs, but in 2018–19, that amount increased significantly to 9789.99 lakhs (Table 8)." The year in the table is 2010-11, so it should be revised in the text. Also, 2015-16 was a

bigger increase than 2019-20, so perhaps that year should be highlighted better.

12. "Worldwide, people are becoming more hesitant and reluctant to raise livestock due to economic progress and rising income levels." - missing reference

13. "Major challenges facing the livestock sector in Maharashtra and Jammu and Kashmir" -none of the items in this section of the article are adequately supported or referenced: "The markets for livestock and livestock products are undeveloped, erratic, unpredictable, and opaque" - missing reference; "Farm animals produce less on average" - compared to what?

To improve the quality of the article, please make the following changes:

1. Revise the title to better reflect the content of the article. Additionally, realign the abstract to clearly state the research objective and key findings.

2. Enhance the clarity, comprehensiveness, and accuracy of all tables presented throughout the article. Furthermore, be sure to specify the units used throughout the text to avoid any potential confusion.

3. Offer more detailed descriptions of the states under study to improve the reader's understanding of the content.

4. Ensure rigorous referencing for all presented information to guarantee the credibility and reliability of the article.

5. Substantiate conclusions with data analysis to provide concrete evidence for the claims made in the article.

6. Define GDP within the text to avoid any confusion that may arise due to jargon or technical terms.

7. Elaborate on the methods employed for data collection and analysis to provide a clear and comprehensive understanding of the research process.

8. Enhance the overall writing style and clarity of the article. To improve readability, please justify all text by extending each line from the left margin to the right margin.

The article holds promise as a valuable addition to the field; however, it necessitates substantial revision prior to publication in a peer-reviewed journal. Authors are encouraged to incorporate the aforementioned comments and recommendations to enhance the manuscript's quality.