

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

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Thank you for the opportunity to read and comment on this manuscript. All of my detailed suggestions and comments are in the attached .pdf file of the manuscript.

In summary, this is an interesting study on an important topic. It focussed on the relationship between drought (in essence) and migration among vulnerable groups living in rural areas in India.

The manuscript needs clarifications in several places. The abstract does not convey the main methods and findings of the analyses. Please provide a very clear main findings statement because in the body of the manuscript there are conflicting findings in the results' section that cause confusion.

The results section of the manuscript is missing the data about the survey variables descriptives. Please provide a table to illustrate these.

The conclusion reads like a discussion and should be made into one, and a short conclusion should be added instead.

The use of SPIE values is an interesting approach although it makes it difficult to understand terms like 'the wetness of dryness'.

It is a pity that more recent data are not available. Please explain why not.

Good luck with the revisions.