

Review of: "Exploring the Role of Social, Economic, and Cultural Factors in Community Development: A Social Work Perspective in T/A Chimwala, Mangochi"

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Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to the review of the paper titled **Exploring the Role of Social, Economic, and Cultural Factors in Community Development: A Social Work Perspective in T/A Chimwala, Mangochi**”. I have noted and highlighted some comments for the authors to consider to strengthen the paper. They are as follows:

General Comment.

I commend the authors for their use of punctuations in all the sections of the paper.

Specific Comments

Introduction

I suggest that Armitage et al (2012) be cited in full the first time before using ‘et al’. I also suggest the introduction ends with briefly telling the readers other sections of the paper in a following paragraph. After the introduction, I expected to see a brief ‘Literature Review’ immediately after the Introduction. You may kindly add that section to the paper expect if it is not done in your field of study.

Methodology

In the second paragraph, you said “primary data collection involves both questionnaires and interviews” in this sense, you employed a ‘Mixed method approach’, but I could not find the aspect of the interview in the paper. You have to be specific and clear on the methods used.

Going down to paragraph three and other subsequent paragraphs after the methodology section, you analysed your findings using works by other scholars to support and refute your arguments, however, these works were not represented in the paper which should have been under the “Literature Review’ section.

References

I was wondering the reference style employed for the paper. If this is an APA 6th edition referencing style, I suggest you do it correctly.

Overall, the paper contributes to knowledge but should be strengthen using the suggested comments to attain a publishable status.