

Review of: "Drug-Free School Locality through Crime Prevention Strategies – The Case of Kerala"

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1. Drug use should be defined as drug abuse than drug use.
2. That socio-spatial understanding should be explained in the process, meaning the relationship between social behavior within spatial confines.
3. The author is commended for the gathering of data; however, it could be better explained and the connectivity of these elements.
4. Broken windows theory could least be mentioned as a build-up in the theoretical analysis.
5. The picture evidence is useful; however, it is unethical in writing without having ethical approval of the concerned individuals, I will advise the reduction of pictures.
6. I will advise you do not bullet your sub-chapters and create an explanation to each of the sub-themes and sub chapters.
7. The author cited Chen (2020), solely highlighting the points mentioned, it is important to cite other literature to elaborate the need for or against. Literature is a discussion of related findings across different, kindly include more similar scholars such as
- 8 The sub-chapter that bothers on place separating the differences in space and place must be distinct (see production of space by Henri Lefebvre, the production of space.) of This is essential in your study.
9. Paul and Patricia Brantingham in (1980), (CPTED) (Group, 2014) are well cited however more recent articles will place further credence to work.
10. Page 14 states that “ also found that dilapidated structures and waste dumping zones with no proper surveillance and the presence of socially backward classes and their presence are also one of the main causes. The dilapidated structure of the crowded bus stand also provides a suitable area for supply, and the only high school present in the area is the Central School, making it a crime attractor focusing on the students. The following factors are ranked upon observation and the crowdedness of the siteates”. This explanation further gives credence to the broken window theory.
11. Page 17 “The study focuses on the area where there are possibilities in which illicit drug dealing could happen near the school locality, to come up with possible parameters that will indicate the presence of possible drug dealing.” Using

illicit interchangeably to drug use is not consistent to your language use.

12. Try to adopt one illicit or drug abuse. Also, in your definition of terms I also suggest you state and explain this too extensively with precision.

13. Try to redraft your conclusion, this would further explain your research finding(s) better.

14. On the whole the work is promising if it is redrafted and segmented while the elements are well connected and explained. The visual evidence is fair, however, the essence of this is to better define and explain the context. This is largely missing. Try to create the extensive writing with more literature to strengthen your finding, irrespective I commend the effort.