

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

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Comment on the Abstract

The paper has one author, but the author keeps using we.

I don't think "do" should be included in this sentence: "Our results indicate that in India, major changes in dryness do significantly increase migration."

The author should write these words in full: CRU, NREGS.

Key words as well as the methodology used for data analysis are missing in the abstract.

The whole abstract should be improved.

Introduction

Disadvantaged social groups should be defined in the context of India since they are unique to your study.

I don't think this statement, "For example, when such migration is debt-financed or when their only employment possibilities are in the precarious urban unskilled labor market." Should stand alone.

This sentence: "So, we also examine whether disadvantaged social groups also take part in such migration?" cannot be a question.

Citation Style

A consistent citation style should be maintained throughout the work. "B.B. Mohanty 2001" should be checked.

Research questions

The literature review took up a greater part of the research question section. The research question or objective should be simple and easy to understand.

Data

Please, the household and village-level data will be discussed in detail. Also, consider providing detailed information about the households involved, the socioeconomic indicators, and the geographic distributions.

SPEI values should be labeled with a table number for easy referencing.

"This is the main reason for using India's Human Development Survey data (IHDS)." IHDS should be introduced before being used in the next sentence. Also, the number of samples stratified by social groups and other key variables should be provided for the IHDS.

Econometric model selected

Please be clear on the econometric model you finally selected for the analysis and why it was selected.

Result Table

Please consider putting some of the result tables before or below their respective explanations for clarity instead of taking them all to the annexes or appendices. Tables should also be formatted appropriately.

General comments for all sections

I advise proofreading the whole article and correcting all grammatical errors.

The paper should be restructured to follow academic paper writing.