

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

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## Reviewer's Comments:

The article is quite interesting and falls within the context of social crime mapping as a reference for preventing incidents. The author's exposition is sufficiently clear, systematic, and strives to maintain methodological principles. However, the following aspects need to be considered by the author in order to make the article's presentation easily comprehensible for readers from various backgrounds of disciplines and within the academic community:

- a. In the abstract section, there is a need for a definitive statement regarding the employed research methodology, which should be clearly elaborated in the article
- b. Additional description is required regarding the subject, including the characteristics of the population and sample that were captured in the social mapping
- c. The discussion of the findings has been examined with relevant theory and approaches, but it needs to be complemented with a comparative study of past relevant research
- d. In the concluding part of the article, it is necessary to present the implications of the findings as references for readers, further researchers, and policymakers