

Review of: "Tourists' Activities and their Impacts on Chinhoyi Caves Heritage Site, Zimbabwe"

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I received the article entitled "Tourists' activities and their impact on Chinhoyi caves heritage site, Zimbabwe" for review. In my opinion, the topic of impact of heritage tourism is of utmost importance to explore. Although there has been a lot of research and publications on this topic, however, new empirical and theoretical research is still welcomed. The text I reviewed is therefore, interesting and worth publication. However, the presented article needs to be improved before final acceptance in an international peer-reviewed journal. Hence, below I state my remarks on the article under review:

1. Author is suggested to rethink on KEYWORDS as per interest of the title of the paper and body-structure. It will increase the interest of readers.
2. Author is recommended to work on para-phrasing. English language of this article is putting stress on readers to understand at some point.
3. Kindly add few more references in Introduction section to support the statement (In para 1-section-1). Author can refer some work from Tourism-related urban regeneration-case of China and India which was discussed on heritage tourism.
4. Author must add some facts about socio-cultural dilution (may refer works from heritage and culture tourism) which are responsible in cultural disruption on heritage site and may lead to local opposition.
5. It is suggested to improve section-2: Statement of the Problem. Problem statement must carry factual dataset to support the study objectives. It is not clear, very tough to co-relate with scope of work.
6. Must add instrument of data collection in section 4, as 4.1 or as per number. Questionnaire (if designed) must present either with section 4.1 or as an annexure.
7. Also refer some intangible heritage site activities in section 5.1.2. It can improve the reader's interest and also support the statement in section 5.2.1.
8. Author is strongly suggested to refer few more research work on strategies to minimize the negative impact of tourism. Section 5.3 is not clearly explained, hence, may create stress to readers.
9. Section-6-Conclusion needs to be improved. Author is suggested to refer suggestions from some recent research works on heritage tourism.

It is therefore, I am giving my consent to publish this article with suggested revisions to the recommended international peer-reviewed journal.

