

# Review of: "Comparative Analysis of Sustainable Livestock Development as a Source of Livelihood to Farmers of Maharashtra and Jammu and Kashmir"

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## General comments

The manuscript will greatly benefit from an experienced proof editor, since some parts are vague, some statements in paragraphs are unrelated to the main idea that was being exposed in the previous lines, as well as incorrect choice of words.

The title does not reflect what the manuscript reports.

There is no clear objective of what the study was about. No methodology and materials are reported.

The conclusions are not supported by what the manuscript argumentation provided.

## Specific comments

The abstract is a reduced version of the paper and therefore must include the following parts: introduction, materials and methods, results, and conclusions.

Arrange the references in the paragraphs in chronological order.

The following reference is no longer relevant since it is way outdated: "Livestock sector is likely to emerge as an engine for agricultural growth in the coming decades and is also considered as a potential sector for export earnings (Jabir, 2007)."

I don't agree with the following statement: "Crossbreeding is an important tool for achieving a rapid and long-term increase in productivity and production in livestock species that are economically significant." Crossbreeding not necessarily guarantees long-term increased productivity; on the contrary, it creates a dependency on usually exotic pure breeds not well adapted to local conditions.

Most of the references consulted are outdated. It is desirable to use references with at least not more than 5 years from being published. Older references can be cited, but only if they are essential to your study and, despite the publishing date, still relevant.

Under the major challenges section, "Farm animals produce less on average"... but does not explain compared to what?

I completely disagree with the following statement in the conclusion section: "It is necessary to focus on a particular specie-mix rather than growing the number of unremarkable animals, encouraging the growth of high-yielding animal populations through crossbreeding, and reducing the number of low-yielding animal populations to reduce the overall population."