

Review of: "The Complexity of Leaving No One Behind: Unmasking and Emphasizing Multiple and Intersectional Marginalisation in India"

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The focus and scope of the article are of the utmost importance: "The global efforts towards achieving Sustainable Development Goals are now turning to cover the under-served and excluded people and places. Such efforts are also targeted towards people who are most likely to be left behind and unreached because of economic, social, and political marginalisation. This calls for a wider exploration of intersecting inequalities emanating from the confluence of spatial, economic and identity-based forms of marginalisation." Thus, this article, by exploring the intersectionality of poverty and marginality, is crucial in a context such as the Indian one. It uses an appropriate quantitative methodology - the multidimensional poverty Index (MPI) as a proxy measure of poverty and development. The weak point of the article lies in the absence of a literature review and/or state of the art on poverty and social exclusion – something fundamental to discuss the differences between the Global North and South and the urgency of the concept of intersectionality of poverty. I suggest for the author(s) to look at the works produced by Slawomir Kalinowski. I also leave below some references:

"Poverty: A central barrier to the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals" by Walter Leal Filho, Violeta Orlovic Lovren, Markus Will, Amanda Lange Salvia and Fernanda Frankenberger

"Reducing Inequalities Towards Sustainable Development Goals: Multilevel Approach" by Medani P. Bhandari

"Eliminating Extreme Inequality: A Sustainable Development Goal, 2015–2030" by Michael W. Doyle and Joseph E. Stiglitz

"The Impact of Urban Inequalities on Monitoring Progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals: Methodological Considerations" (<https://www.mdpi.com/2220-9964/8/1/6>)