

## Review of: "Examining Water Use and Sanitation Practices in Rural Schools of Chegutu District, Mashonaland West Province, Zimbabwe"

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It is a very good attempt by the researcher. However few points will help to improve the researcher in his future research endeavors.

- 1. Grammatical and spelling mistakes needs to be corrected. The article is too lengthy. Information should be presented in more concise write up.
- 2. Title of section 3 should be 'Data Collection and Methodology'.
- 3. Geographical coordinates of the study area in Figure 1. is missing.
- 4. First paragraph of section 4 should be kept under methodology section 3.6.
- 5. Is there any specific reason of higher female and male staff in schools of D and A respectively and has any bearing on the status of WASH at schools?
- 6. Research showed that 69% and 71% of students were aware that students' health is mainly affected by their hygiene practices and by school environment respectively. What types of health issues were identified by the students?
- 7. No question is asked on how many students have suffered from dysentery, cholera, and hepatitis etc. in the past 2-5 years.

The validity of the research will escalate, if analysis on health issues in students, absenteeism by menstruating girls, gender variation in educational performance etc. will also be examined alongside the study on provision of WASH in schools.