

Review of: "Agritourism: a source for socio-economic transformation in developing economies"

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The manuscript addresses an interesting and relevant topic that holds potential appeal for a broad readership. Contrary to earlier reviews, which may refer to an earlier version (v1) of the manuscript, I find the current piece to be well written with a clear structure and scope.

Given the substantial number of existing reviews (34 at the time of this review), I concur with Prof. Dr. Milena Ivanovic's comments, which provide valuable input to enhance this paper. Additionally, I have identified a major error in the section discussing "India's agritourism contribution to the GDP," where the cited source appears unsuitable for a scientific publication due to the lack of clarity regarding the data source and the absence of the mentioned statement.

To improve the manuscript, I offer the following suggestions:

Introduction: While I acknowledge that the area of study may be underresearched, I recommend including a higher number of more recent sources in the literature review to strengthen the paper's credibility.

Methodology: Building on Humberto Thome Ortiz's review, I note that the methods applied in this study are only vaguely described. To ensure repeatability of the study, I strongly recommend implementing Ortiz's suggested improvements. Furthermore, providing a list of the considered and analyzed literature would be relevant for readers and future studies. As pointed out by Owen Gohori, content analysis is a scientifically well-established tool to analyze qualitative data and could be considered for this study.

Section 5: In line with Prof. Ivanovic's recommendation, I suggest removing this section. The contribution of agrotourism is not unique to the suggested SDGs, and while the table in this section is informative, it does not present new findings or substantial information that would significantly enhance the value of the manuscript. The reference to SDGs in the relevant section should be sufficient.