

Review of: "A Policy Dialogue for Nutrition of Women and Adolescent Girls: Sustainable Development Goals Matters Arising"

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General Assessment: The document explores the challenges associated with malnutrition among women and adolescent girls in Rwanda, highlighting the necessity for a comprehensive, multisectoral strategy to tackle this intricate issue. While the topic is noteworthy, the paper lacks the specificity required to make a substantial contribution to the existing literature

Suggestions for Improvement:

1. **Title:** The expression 'Sustainable Development Goals matters arising' lacks clarity; it should be revised to convey a more direct message, for instance. "Navigating the Landscape of Women and Adolescent Girls' Nutrition Policies: A Review with Insights into Sustainable Development Goals"
2. **Clarity in Definitions:** While the manuscript adequately defines malnutrition, it might be beneficial to explicitly state the distinction between undernutrition and overnutrition, particularly when discussing the prevalence of thinness and overweight/obesity among women in Rwanda.
3. **Data Presentation:** The paper heavily relies on statistics and data to support its arguments. Including visual aids, such as charts or graphs, could enhance the presentation and make the information more accessible to readers.
4. **In-Text Citations:** Ensure that all statements and statistics are appropriately cited within the text. For instance, when presenting statistics on anemia prevalence in Rwanda, it would be helpful to reference the specific source for the information.
5. **Balancing Sections:** While the paper extensively discusses the impact of malnutrition on women, adolescent girls, and newborns, it might be worthwhile to ensure a balanced discussion across these sections to maintain coherence.

Conclusion: The manuscript significantly enriches the conversation surrounding malnutrition and its repercussions on sustainable development, specifically within the Rwandan context. It would be beneficial to provide explanations for SDG2, SDG3, and SDG5, elucidating their significance. Devoting a paragraph to Rwanda's dedication and involvement with these SDGs could enhance the paper's contextual relevance. With slight refinements and improvements, the manuscript holds promise as a potent policy dialogue tool.

