

Review of: "Impact of Men's Labour Migration on Non-migrating Spouses' Health: A Systematic Review"

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Title:

It is a very valid title in this contemporary world. However it needs to be tightened. What is the scope of the study/ confinements of the research. Is it global? Is it from a certain population of the world. Such information will give us the possible generalizability of the study.

Abstract:

Revise the sentence 'Therefore, we undertook a systematic review.... provide the scope also

Introduction:

Well researched and presented.

Methods:

Well defined. Nevertheless, if you selected some of the articles that indicated the left behind spouses as men, then that contradicts the title which focuses on men being the migrants. Clearly define on who the left behind spouses is.

Findings:

From the findings it appears that the results are skewed towards Asia, the question of generalizability of the study then comes in. The results typically reflect more of the impacts of migration on Asian women. Kindly define the scope. Also the way in which the results are presented is not quite clear. It should be clearly standing out as results not as a continuation of literature review. I suggest that you present the results and give a list articles you used as appendices or in the manner you presented table 1.

Discussion:

Well discussed with key themes coming out well.

Conclusion:

I would suggest that the conclusion should come before Policy recommendations and future research since recommendations and research direction are drawn from the conclusion.

