

# Review of: "Factors Affecting the Social Outreach of Microfinance Institutions: Evidence from Ethiopian Microfinance Institutions"

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This study captured an interesting topic of factors affecting the social outreach of microfinance institutions from Ethiopian microfinance institutions perspective. However, there are serious flaws in this research:

1. There is no an element of critical literature review. The current literature review section is written like notes. Please rework your literature review section.
2. There is clear inconsistent referencing of scholarly sources in this study.
3. Use current literature that is not older than 5 years.
4. Capture the theoretical and conceptual frameworks.
5. The methodology is very weak. There is lack of rigor.
6. Purposive sampling can not be used in a quantitative study since this sampling technique is qualitative or non-probabilistic in nature. Therefore, the issues of bias and generalization of results are questionable.
7. There is no sample frame.
8. Diagnostic statistics like multi-collinearity, stationarity, heteroscedasticity, and normality tests were not conducted which means this study is associated with spurious results and conclusions.
9. The numbering and referencing of Tables in this manuscript is hodge podge and inconsistent.