

Review of: "The Correlation between Poverty and Crime in Pakistan"

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Reviewed comments on the manuscript entitled "The Correlation between Poverty and Crime in Pakistan" submitted to **Qeios** for publication.

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I have gone through the manuscript with high interest. As a reviewer, my comments are as follows:

Title: I recommend the title should be "Nexus between Poverty and Crime: Pakistan Perspective".

Abstract:

~~This scholarly article investigates the relationship between poverty and crime in Pakistan, a country facing significant poverty challenges with a substantial portion of its population living below the poverty line.~~ Pakistan is a country that is facing multifaceted challenges nowadays. A significant proportion of its population is living below the poverty line. The interconnection between poverty and crime is influenced by several factors such as feudalism, inflation, political corruption, population growth, an inadequate education system, and unsustainable utilization of natural resources, democratic deficits, and global economic variables. In addition, the rising crime rates not only jeopardize societal security but also generate an environment of fear and insecurity. To effectively address poverty-related crimes, it is crucial to establish a robust economic and social framework while implementing transparent policies for equitable resource allocation.

global economic variables. What does it mean? Please, explain in the text.

I recommend the following keywords.

Keywords: Poverty, Crime, Insecurity, Policy, Pakistan.

Introduction:

I recommend replacing the word "correlation" with "relation" simply.

For instance, with more than half of the population living below the national poverty line and significant unemployment, Pakistan has witnessed a concerning surge in crime rates. (Rewrite with reference)

Firstly, in Pakistan, poverty affects a significant portion of the population, with over 70 million people, approximately 39%, living below the poverty line. (Add Reference, please)

Conclusion: Please rewrite the conclusion by avoiding the introductory sentences.

References:

Arif, G. M., & Raza, W. A. (2011). Crime, Inequality, and Poverty in Pakistan. *The Lahore Journal of Economics*, 16(Special Edition), 69-98. (check it)