

Review of: "Government Communication and Behavioral Change amidst COVID-19: Role of Awareness and Fear & Panic"

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This study evaluated the impact of government communication on citizen behavior in the COVID-19 pandemic, which is of great significance, but the following problems exist, suggesting modification:

1. Theoretical or literature support is required before the research hypothesis proposed. However, this paper only provides a brief introduction.
2. When designing the research measurement, it is suggested to introduce clearly the meaning of government communication, awareness, fear and panic, behavior change and other variables, how to measure them specifically. References can be added as a basis for the design items.
3. The coding of control variables and their options should be clearly introduced in the measurement items.
4. Generally speaking, when GFI is greater than 0.9, model fitting effect is good. What is the basis for setting the standard as 0.8 in this paper?
5. It is suggested to supplement research innovation points, research limitations and further research plans.