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Journal Name:	<b>South Asian Journal of Social Studies and Economics</b>
Manuscript Number:	<b>Ms_SAJSSSE_119791</b>
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Role of Male Migration in the Capability Expansion of the Left Behind Muslim Women in the Malappuram District of Kerala</b>
Type of the Article	

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### PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Is the manuscript important for scientific community?</b> (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</li> <li><b>Is the title of the article suitable?</b> (If not please suggest an alternative title)</li> <li><b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</b></li> <li><b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></li> <li><b>Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</b></li> <li><b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</b></li> </ol> <p><b>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The article constructs and validates a Women's Capability Index (WCI) to measure various dimensions of women's empowerment. The findings suggest that foreign remittances have a significant positive effect on women's capabilities. The results are relevant for policymakers and researchers working on migration, gender, and development issues. Therefore, the manuscript is important for the scientific community.</li> <li>The title is clear, concise, and conveys the main objective of the research. It is suitable for the manuscript.</li> <li>The abstract provides a good overview of the study, including the research objective, methodology, and key findings. It mentions the construction and validation of the WCI, the sample characteristics, and the main result that foreign remittances have a significant positive impact on women's capabilities. The abstract is informative and comprehensive, covering the essential elements of the research.</li> <li>The manuscript has a clear structure with appropriate subsections. It begins with an introduction, followed by sections on the construction and validation of the WCI, and then presents the results and discussion. The subsections are well-organized and logically flow from one to the next. The use of tables and abbreviations enhances the readability and clarity of the manuscript. The structure and subsections are suitable for the research.</li> <li>The manuscript appears to be scientifically correct. It follows a rigorous methodology in constructing and validating the WCI, including content validity, construct validity, and reliability tests. The use of ordinal logistic regression to analyze the relationship between male migration, remittances, and women's capabilities is appropriate given the ordinal nature of the dependent variable (WCI score). The findings are consistent with previous studies on the positive impact of remittances on women's status. Overall, the manuscript seems scientifically sound.</li> <li>The manuscript includes a good mix of recent and relevant references. It cites studies on gender, migration, and women's empowerment from the past decade. The references are sufficient to contextualize the research and support the findings. <b>It looks like the Journal follows APA Style of References but majority of the References given at the end of the Paper are not cited in the text. In-text Citations and references should be aligned with each other.</b></li> </ol>	
<p><b>Minor</b> REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</b></li> </ol>	<p>The writing is clear, concise, and easy to follow. Technical terms and concepts are well-explained. The language used is appropriate for an academic publication, with a formal and objective tone. The structure of the article, with clear sections and subsections, enhances readability and comprehension. But there is always room for improvement.</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Proofreading is essential part of the Article before final publication. The article should be proofread thoroughly.</li> <li>- The References and in-text Citations are not aligned. They should be aligned i.e. the in-text Citations should be available in the Reference Section and vice versa.</li> <li>- The references are sufficient but could be expanded to include more studies on the specific context of Muslim women in Kerala</li> </ul>	

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**PART 2:**

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<b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b>	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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