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| Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part. | It is an interesting investigation from the food security point, esp. of agrarian families in vulnerable ecosystems. With growing aspirations of agrarian communities and market influence on them, they can no longer meet their needs through subsistence agriculture. Families need to supplement their income through off-farm activities to be food secure while being able to meet aspirations in a market economy. | |
| Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title) | Consider shortening it. The alternate title could be Off-Farm Activities and Food Security Status: A Study of Smallholder Farmers in Kilifi South Sub-County, Kenya | |
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| <u>Optional/General</u> comments | The summary and conclusion are too short. The authors may like to elaborate on them, giving a brief context of the study. Recommendations must elaborate on how investing in developing alternate skills among smallholder farmers might help ensure food security and benefit farming through the infusion of capital from other sources. Authors may like to list a few off-farm skills that have the potential to develop alternate sources of income. | |

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