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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)
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<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? 	<p>The manuscript needs substantial language and style editing.</p>	
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The Introduction should be rewritten and better structured without too much general information but stick to the most necessary. The goal of the study is not defined. The components of population dynamics are briefly introduced and they are not placed in any broader research context. The same could be said for the Section on Population impact in Kenya. A more convincing argument is needed regarding the relationship between population growth and its impact on different areas/sectors. Author(s) should scientifically confirm how this review contributes to the present study. Although it is a review study, i.e. using a qualitative approach/content analysis, some sentences about the methodology used should be at least written within the Introduction.</p> <p><i>First Review on manuscript: JSRR_113246 for Journal of Scientific Research and Reports</i></p> <p>Title: Dynamics and Policies: Assessing the impact of Population in Kenya</p> <p>Some changes in the title are needed; e.g.: <i>Assessing the impact of population dynamics in Kenya –a need for policy implementation</i></p> <p>Abstract The Abstract is confusing, therefore the Abstract should be rewritten and structured better!</p>	

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	<p>Introduction Too much general information is provided instead to focus on the research subject, aims and objectives as well as contribution/motivation and to presenting the structure of the study.</p> <p>Population trend Page 2: Instead of population trend, please use population trends Page 3: instead bigger population, please change it to larger population; Figure 1: please somewhere indicate that the numbers are given in millions, e.g. in the title; Page 4: <i>associated infant mortality ratio</i>? Can you specify it more exactly? Page 4: ...with numerous deaths related to diseases? What does mean this part of the sentence? Therefore, I suggest being more specific here, e.g. which diseases, how much etc. Page 5: instead of <i>curbing fertility</i> it would be better to use fertility regulation! Page 5: instead of <i>food problems</i> please use food security!</p> <p>Fertility, mortality and migration as principal components of population dynamics in Kenya Page 7: A longer time series on crude mortality and infant mortality rate should be provided. Page 8: instead of <i>lagging</i> please use the term lagging-behind. Page 8: Why author(s) think that the migration process remained the less investigated component of population dynamics? Is this relevant for Africa, Kenya, or in the world, please specify!</p> <p>Population impact in Kenya Page 8: One to two introductory sentences are needed here at the very beginning of this Section.</p> <p>General comment The Introduction should be rewritten and better structured without too much general information but stick to the most necessary. The goal of the study is not defined. The components of population dynamics are briefly introduced and they are not placed in any broader research context. The same could be said for the Section on Population impact in Kenya. A more convincing argument is needed regarding the relationship between population growth and its impact on different areas/sectors. Author(s) should scientifically confirm how this review contributes to the present study. Although it is a review study, i.e. using a qualitative approach/content analysis, some sentences about the methodology used should be at least written within the Introduction. The manuscript needs substantial language and style editing.</p>	
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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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