

Editor's Comment:

1. The paper is not well presented in the English language.

2. The paper does not deliver the evidence as suggested in the title and abstract. The functionality of the government is supposed to be demonstrated through the eyes of ordinary citizens, but this does not appear to be the case. Citizens from one of the nine provinces were selected for interviews, but beyond that we know little about them (what is the demographic makeup of the sample) or how they were selected. The evidence of government dysfunction appears to come from government reports, the media, academics, and politicians. Evidence is presented from Statistics South Africa, but I do not know if this is a government agency or an independent research organization. Wikipedia is used as a source of information, but I do not trust it to be reliable.

I respect the hard work of the authors in preparing the paper. I am also respectful of the work that the reviewers spent reviewing the paper. But I cannot accept the paper as it is. Perhaps another editor will accept it, but in such a case I would respectfully disagree with that assessment.

Editor's Details:

Prof. Stan Weeber
Mc Neese State University in Lake Charles, Louisiana, USA.