

### Review Form 3

Journal Name:	<a href="#">Archives of Current Research International</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_ACRI_122905
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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.	B/c it addresses a critical issue facing rural youth vulnerable employment within agricultural sectors by exploring the concept of sustainable livelihood capitals. By examining how different forms of capital (natural, human, social, financial, and physical) impact the employment status and economic resilience of rural youth, the study offers valuable insights into the challenges and opportunities for enhancing sustainable livelihoods. This research is particularly timely and relevant as it contributes to understanding the complexities of youth employment in agriculture, which is vital for informing policies and interventions aimed at reducing vulnerability and promoting sustainable development in rural areas.	
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<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>	<p>-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Abstract is not alphabetically ordered</b></li> <li>• <b>Introduction should start with a general to specific approach:</b> I agree that the introduction should ideally start with a broader context before narrowing down to the specific situation in India. This helps readers from diverse backgrounds understand the global significance of the issue before focusing on the particular case of India. The introduction could begin by discussing global trends in youth employment in agriculture, challenges faced in this sector worldwide, and the importance of sustainable agriculture for food security. Then, it can narrow down to the specific challenges faced by Indian agriculture and rural youth, providing a smoother transition into the study's focus.</li> <li>• <b>Sustainable Livelihood Framework Approach (SLFA) should be included as a figure:</b> Including the Sustainable Livelihood Framework (SLF) as a figure can enhance the clarity and understanding of the study's conceptual approach. A figure visually representing the different livelihood capitals (human, financial, physical, natural, and social) and how they relate to youth employment vulnerability would help readers grasp the framework used in the study. This visual aid can be placed in the methodology section to better illustrate the theoretical underpinnings of the research.</li> <li>• <b>References must be more recent:</b> Ensuring that the references are up-to-date is crucial for maintaining the relevance and credibility of the research. Recent references can reflect the latest developments and findings in the field of youth employment, agriculture, and sustainable livelihoods. Including current studies, reviews, and reports will enhance the manuscript's scientific rigor and relevance. Please ensure that all references are accurately cited in the manuscript, following the specific citation style required by the journal. Please use and cite in your body, the following research outputs as "(Borku et al., 2024a)" "(Borku et al., 2024b)" "(Borku et al., 2024c)" "(Borku et al., 2024d)" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Borku AW, Utallo AU, Tora TT. (2024a) The level of food insecurity among urban households in southern Ethiopia: a multi-index-based assessment. <i>J Agriculture Food Res.</i>15:101019. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jafr.2024.101019">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jafr.2024.101019</a></li> <li>✓ Borku, A. W., Utallo, A. U., &amp; Tora, T. T. (2024b). Determinants of urban households in the diversification of livelihood activities: The case of Wolaita zone in southern Ethiopia. <i>Journal of Agriculture and Food Research</i>, 16, 101193.</li> <li>✓ Borku, A. W., Utallo, A. U., &amp; Tora, T. T. (2024c). Determinants of urban household vulnerability to food insecurity in Southern Ethiopia. <i>Discover Food</i>, 4, 37. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s44187-024-00110-x">https://doi.org/10.1007/s44187-024-00110-x</a></li> <li>✓ Borku, A. W., Utallo, A. U., &amp; Tora, T. T. (2024d). The strategies pursued by urban households to cope with food insecurity: Insights from selected towns in Southern Ethiopia. <i>American Journal of Human Biology</i>, e24135. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1002/ajhb.24135">https://doi.org/10.1002/ajhb.24135</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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