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| Journal Name: | South Asian Journal of Social Studies and Economics |
| Manuscript Number: | Ms_SAJSSSE_129836 |
| Title of the Manuscript: | The Role of Stakeholder Engagement in Driving Sustainability Practices within Circular Economy Models |
| Type of the Article | Peer Reviewed |

PART 1: Comments

| | Reviewer's comment | Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. Authors must write his/her feedback here)</i> |
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| Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part. | The manuscript is significant for the scientific community as it provides valuable information by advancing theoretical knowledge, offering practical insights, addressing current challenges and inspiring future research and innovation. The principles and strategies discussed in this paper are scalable and adaptive to various contexts and regions. These can be also adopted at the global level. The insights in this paper can save educational resources for students and educators in courses related to sustainability, business management, wellness, project management, health and safety, and environmental science. | |
| Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title) | The title is clear and effectively conveys the focus on stakeholder engagement and sustainability within circular economy models. However, I feel it can be improved as follows: Instead of "The Role of Stakeholder Engagement in Driving Sustainability Practices within Circular Economy Models," consider a more specific title like "Enhancing Sustainability in Circular Economy Models through Strategic Stakeholder Engagement: A Case Study Approach." | |
| Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here. | The abstract provides a summary of the manuscript's objectives, key points, and findings. It effectively highlights the importance of stakeholder engagement in achieving sustainability goals within circular economy models. However, add a sentence about the research methods and key findings. For example: "This paper employs a qualitative analysis of case studies to explore the role of stakeholder engagement in circular economy models, revealing significant improvements in resource efficiency and waste reduction." | |
| Is the manuscript scientifically correct? Please write here. | Overall, the manuscript is well-structured, scientifically accurate, and provides valuable insights into the role of stakeholder engagement in driving sustainability within circular economy models. Nonetheless, the following areas might be improved to enhance the scientific rigour of the manuscript: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed Methodology: Provide more details on the research methodology used to gather and analyse data. This will enhance the transparency and reproducibility of your findings. • Limitations and Future Research: Discuss the limitations of your study and suggest areas for future research. This will provide a more balanced view and highlight the ongoing relevance of your work. | |
| Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions for additional references, please mention them in the review form. | The manuscript includes a comprehensive list of references that are relevant to the topic, providing a solid foundation for arguments and discussions. Some suggested references are as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stakeholder and Customer Engagement in Circular Economy Ecosystems: A Systematic Literature Review and Research Agenda Authors: Abdullah Mohammadparst Tabas, Andrea Urbinati Published: 2024 Summary: This paper provides a systematic literature review on stakeholder and customer engagement in circular economy ecosystems, highlighting the collaborative efforts required for effective circular economy practices 2. Stakeholder Engagement in a Sustainable Circular Economy: Theoretical and Practical Perspectives Editors: Johanna Kujala, Anna Heikkinen, Annika Blomberg Published: 2023 | |

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| | <p>Summary: This open-access book discusses the role and importance of stakeholder engagement in a sustainable circular economy from multiple theoretical and practical perspectives. It provides guidance for future research and practical applications.</p> <p>3. Stakeholder Engagement Models in Digital-Enabled Circular Manufacturing Authors: Santa-Maria et al. Published: 2024 Summary: This paper explores stakeholder engagement models in digital-enabled circular manufacturing, providing insights into decision-making support for circular business model</p> <p>You can use the suggested references in your literature review, especially insights for the case studies, examples and future directions.</p> | |
| <p>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p> | <p>Based on my review the manuscript is well written and uses scholarly acceptable communication. However, there are minor improvements required for clarity, consistency, and readability in some portions.</p> <p>The grammar and syntax are generally correct, with only minor errors that do not impede understanding. It is advisable that the author goes through the manuscript thoroughly and makes these minor grammatical corrections.</p> <p>Section 2.3: The Author should include the reference as soon as "Philips a Global leader in lighting..." is mentioned. The reference should be made as soon as the new claim is made unlike mentioning it after several sentences at the end.</p> <p>Ensure consistency in terminology and style throughout the manuscript. For example, consistently use either "circular economy" or "Circular Economy" based on your chosen style guide.</p> <p>Some sentences are quite complex and could be simplified for better readability. Breaking down long sentences into shorter ones can enhance clarity. A specific example is presented below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instead of this: "Stakeholder engagement is increasingly recognised as a critical factor in advancing sustainability practices within circular economy models, as the traditional linear economy shifts towards circular principles emphasising resource efficiency, waste reduction, and lifecycle management the involvement of diverse stakeholders becomes pivotal in achieving these sustainability goals." • You can consider writing this: "Stakeholder engagement is increasingly recognised as a critical factor in advancing sustainability practices within circular economy models. As the traditional linear economy shifts towards circular principles, which emphasise resource efficiency, waste reduction, and lifecycle management, the involvement of diverse stakeholders becomes pivotal in achieving these sustainability goals." <p>The paragraphs are generally well structured and informative but some of them are too long almost reaching a page. By breaking down long paragraphs, using subheadings, focusing on one idea per paragraph, and using transitional phrases, you can improve the readability and clarity of your manuscript, making it more suitable for scholarly communication.</p> <p>Example: In the "Strategies for Effective Stakeholder Engagement" section, you could use subheadings like "Communication and Transparency," "Collaboration and Partnerships," and "Incentives and Motivations."</p> | |
| <p><u>Optional/General</u> comments</p> | <p>The manuscript provides a comprehensive and insightful analysis of the role of stakeholder engagement in driving sustainability within circular economy models, effectively integrating theoretical frameworks with practical strategies and case studies. With some minor revisions to improve clarity, consistency, and readability, it will be even stronger and more impactful for both academic and practical audiences.</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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