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| Journal Name: | [**Archives of Current Research International**](https://journalacri.com/index.php/ACRI) |
| Manuscript Number: | **Ms\_ACRI\_138538** |
| Title of the Manuscript: | **Gender-Based Livelihood Decisions Among Tribal Agricultural Laborers in Wayanad District of Kerala** |
| Type of the Article | **Original Research Article** |

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| **PART 1: Comments** |
|  | **Reviewer’s comment****Artificial Intelligence (AI) generated or assisted review comments are strictly prohibited during peer review.** | **Author’s Feedback** *(It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)* |
| **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.** | Yes, primarily, the findings provide an empirical foundation for researchers.secondly, the outputs are also more valuable for policymakers to design program interventions that enhance the economic, political and social empowerment of tribal agricultural laborers. Finally and uniquely it is important forinterdisciplinary studies on gender, labor dynamics, and rural economic sustainability offering insights that can inform equitable policy frameworks and inclusive development strategies. |  |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?****(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | Yes, it is attractive and effectively coveys the core focus of the study which holds two important variables, gender-based livelihood decisions & tribal agricultural laborers in Wayanad District. However, I would like to comment authors to rewrite the title like this to make it more suitable,”*Gender and Livelihood Decision-Making Among Tribal Agricultural Laborers in Wayanad, Kerala, India”*need to rework on is that your title is Household based decision making power and livelihoods but these are beyond husband and wife please. It needs collaborative minds and stake holders to solve the problem of lower castes empowerment issues. So how much agency do tribal women have in choosing agricultural work versus being forced into specific roles due to socioeconomic constraints? Examining household and community-level decision-making structures would be insightful. I would like to request authors to look at the title and the scope of this study and need tonegotiate them |  |

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| **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.** | It is narration of the problem. Where are the major findings, for example?. An “Abstract” is a summary of a full length so that a reader can simply understand the entire paper rushing through it. An abstract should underscores the problem, the objective of the study, the methodologies employed( study design and types, sampling, Data collection and management, Data processing and analyses), main findings, and concluding remarks based upon findings. I kindly request the author(s) to rework on it so that fitthe standard. |  |
| **Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.** | This is the drawback of this work because the study lacks to follow systematic scientific procedures. For instance, research gaps have not been clearly shown in the “Background” section, the methodological parts (Research design, Sampling, Data collection and Quality assurance, Dataprocessing and Analysis} are not clearly set. So authors need to reconsider these concerns |  |
| **Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.** | I kindly request authors to add many more references because there are massive empirical studies on this subject, in India and even elsewhere.Groundswell International (2018) Empowering women in agroecology: an essential component for the resilience of rural communities in the Sahel, Ouagadougou,Burkina FasoTwyman, Jenifer and Ambler, Kate. 2021. Tools and Methods for Gender Research and Integration in Agricultural Value Chain, Market and Entrepreneurship Projects. CGIAR GENDER Platform Working Paper #004. Nairobi, Kenya: CGIAR GENDER Platform https://hdl.handle. net/10568/116888 Gender and Decision Making in Agriculture: A Case Study of the Smallholder GroundnutsSector in Zambia |  |
| **Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?** | I appreciate author about the clarity of language and scholarly communication. I appreciate once again. |  |
| **Optional/General** comments | The topic is important, critical and timely. need to revise incorporation comments and concerns that are suggested above |  |

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| **PART 2:** |
|  | **Reviewer’s comment** | **Author’s Feedback** (It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here) |
| **Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?** | *(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in detail)* |  |

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