



### REVIEWER'S REPORT

**Manuscript No.:** IJAR-57924

**Title:** Development-Induced Protest Movements in Post-Independence India: An Analysis.

**Recommendation:**

Accept as it is .....

Accept after minor revision.....

Accept after major revision .....

Do not accept (*Reasons below*) .....

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality	✓			
Techn. Quality		✓		
Clarity			✓	
Significance	✓			

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**Reviewer's Comment for Publication.**

The manuscript addresses an important theme concerning environmental protest movements and development-induced displacement in post-independence India. The discussion of the Chipko Movement, Narmada Bachao Andolan, Silent Valley Movement, and environmental struggles in Odisha provides useful insights into the relationship between development, ecology, and social justice. The topic is relevant and has contemporary significance for scholars of environmental sociology, political ecology, development studies, and social movements.

**Strengths:**

1. The manuscript covers several major environmental movements in India and attempts to connect them through a broader framework of development-induced displacement and environmental resistance.
2. The paper highlights the experiences of marginalized communities, tribal populations, and forest-dependent groups affected by development projects.
3. The discussion of Odisha-based movements adds regional value and broadens the scope beyond the commonly discussed Chipko and Narmada movements.
4. The manuscript incorporates perspectives from social movement theory and environmental justice.

**Major Concerns:**

1. The manuscript lacks a clear research objective, research questions, and methodological framework. It reads largely as a descriptive review rather than a systematic academic analysis.
2. The Marxian framework mentioned in the abstract is not adequately developed or consistently applied throughout the paper. A stronger theoretical engagement is required.

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3. Several sections contain grammatical errors, awkward sentence constructions, and inconsistent academic language. Extensive language editing is necessary.
4. The paper relies heavily on descriptive narration of movements without sufficient comparative analysis or critical interpretation.
5. Some statements are repetitive and require condensation to improve readability and coherence.
6. Citation style is inconsistent. References should follow a uniform citation format throughout the manuscript.
7. The title suggests an analysis of post-independence development-induced protest movements, but the discussion remains largely historical and descriptive. Greater analytical depth is needed.
8. The section on Odisha contains useful information, but the discussion lacks integration with the broader argument of the paper.
9. The manuscript would benefit from a dedicated conclusion section that synthesizes findings, highlights common patterns among movements, and reflects on their implications for development policy.

### Minor Concerns:

1. Improve transitions between sections.
2. Correct typographical and formatting errors.
3. Ensure consistency in movement names and terminology.
4. Improve table formatting and provide clearer interpretation of the table contents.
5. Reduce lengthy quotations and provide more analytical discussion.

### Specific Suggestions:

- Clearly state the research objectives and central argument in the introduction.
- Strengthen the Marxian theoretical framework and apply it consistently.
- Include a comparative analysis of the selected movements.
- Discuss the role of the state, corporate actors, and civil society in greater detail.
- Revise the manuscript thoroughly for grammar, clarity, and academic style.
- Expand the conclusion to include policy implications and future research directions.

### Final Recommendation:

The manuscript addresses a significant and relevant topic with considerable potential for publication. However, substantial revisions are required to improve theoretical coherence, analytical depth, language quality, and overall academic rigor.