

## REVIEWER'S REPORT

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**Title:** India and Climate Change: Why It Matters Globally

### Recommendation:

Accept as it is .....

**Accept after minor revision** .....

Accept after major revision .....

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

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

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## Detailed Reviewer's Report

This paper explores India's central role in global climate governance, as the world's third-largest greenhouse gas emitter while being highly vulnerable to climate impacts. Using constructivist and multi-level governance frameworks, the study analyzes India's climate policies. It addresses three key dimensions: climate vulnerability, energy transition, and leadership in climate justice. The article shows how India's actions affect global emissions, food security, and climate equity. It argues that international support is essential to scale India's climate efforts. Key recommendations include enhanced cooperation and equitable resource allocation.

### Strengths

1. Globally relevant topic : The article convincingly links India's climate challenges to global consequences and stability.
2. Strong theoretical framing : The use of constructivism and multi-level governance adds depth and structure to the analysis.
3. Up-to-date and reliable data : The use of 2022–2023 sources (e.g., IPCC, IEA, World Bank) supports credibility and accuracy.

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4. Comprehensive thematic coverage : The paper integrates vulnerability, energy, and justice perspectives in a balanced manner.
5. Clear and actionable recommendations : Proposed solutions—finance, technology transfer, and multilateral support—are well grounded.

### **Weaknesses**

- a) Incomplete references in the literature review : Several citations show “(author?)”, which reduces scholarly rigor and must be corrected.
- b) Underdeveloped methodology section : The methodology lacks detailed justification of data sources and analytical strategy.
- c) No empirical case studies : The analysis remains conceptual; local-level examples would strengthen the real-world connection.
- d) Limited discussion of domestic resistance : Internal political and economic barriers to transition are underexplored.
- e) Occasional descriptive tone : Some sections lean toward description rather than critical analysis or argumentation.

### **Recommendation:** minor revisions ;

- 1) Fixing citation and attribution errors,
- 2) Expanding the methodology discussion,
- 3) Possibly adding empirical insights or a case example.