



**Paper: “Motherhood, Career Aspirations, and Life Goals: Exploring Young Women’s Attitudes as a Factor in the Declining Fertility Rate in Sri Lanka”**

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<i>Yes, there are a few grammatical errors, mostly commas. However, it does not affect its readability.  However, I am not sure whether the author is the teacher of the Hamburg or Hambug University. I ask the author to correct this if it is a typographical error.</i>	
<b>4. The study methods are explained clearly.</b>	<b>5</b>
<i>Yes, the study methods are adequate and clear.</i>	
<b>5. The results are clear and do not contain errors.</b>	<b>5</b>
<i>The conclusions drawn logically follow from the structure of the article and the scientific problem propositions and solution ideas formulated in it. The author concludes her research material with individual, scientifically useful conclusions that can also be used by the scientific community and readers.</i>	
<b>6. The conclusions or summary are accurate and supported by the content.</b>	<b>5</b>
<i>The scientific problem's formulation and debate also demonstrate brave, inventive scientific thought, which is unquestionably deserving of praise and definitely worth recognizing. The conclusions drawn reflect scientific thinking at a high level, follow absolutely logically from the structure of the article, and reveal the scientific problem propositions, solution ideas, and valuable ideas formulated at a high level.</i>	
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<i>In one word, completely. The dissertation uses eighteen references, which is more than sufficient considering the size of the article. In addition, the author refers to significant figures in the field of science, so the completed work is highly referenced.</i>	

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The title is clear and adequate to the content of the study	
<b>2. The abstract presents objects, methods, and results.</b>	<b>5</b>
The abstract presents clear objectives, methods and findings of the study	
<b>3. There are a few grammatical errors and spelling mistakes in this article.</b>	<b>4</b>
The grammatical errors and spelling mistakes are few	
<b>4. The study methods are explained clearly.</b>	<b>4</b>
The methods are clearly explained and adequate for the study	

<b>5. The results are clear and do not contain errors.</b>	<b>4</b>
The results are clear with few errors	
<b>6. The conclusions or summary are accurate and supported by the content.</b>	<b>4</b>
The conclusion is largely in line with the objectives of the study	
<b>7. The references are comprehensive and appropriate.</b>	<b>3</b>
The references are adequate but not in line with the latest APA method. Each reference must include its unique DOI	

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Some of the weakness identified in this work includes:

- The sample used in this study were taken from one University , this may not give an adequate generalization.
- The references are not in line with the latest APA methods
- Most of the references are over ten years old. This makes the references a little bit outdated.

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<i>The title is clear, well-formulated, and directly reflects the article's content, highlighting the relationship between motherhood, career aspirations, and fertility decline in Sri Lanka.</i>	
<b>2. The abstract presents objects, methods, and results.</b>	<b>4</b>
<i>The abstract is comprehensive and highlights the objectives, methodology, and main results. However, it would benefit from a clearer emphasis on the study's original contribution compared to existing literature.</i>	
<b>3. There are a few grammatical errors and spelling mistakes in this article.</b>	<b>4</b>

<i>The article is written in good academic language, with very few linguistic errors. A minor stylistic revision is recommended to remove redundancies.</i>	
<b>4. The study methods are explained clearly.</b>	<b>4</b>
<i>The methodology is well-structured and appropriate to the objectives. However, further clarification would be useful regarding the selection of interview participants and the validation of qualitative data.</i>	
<b>5. The results are clear and do not contain errors.</b>	<b>5</b>
<i>The results are presented coherently, supported by statistical data and complemented by qualitative quotes. The tables are relevant, but their interpretation could be enhanced by a synthetic conceptual scheme.</i>	
<b>6. The conclusions or summary are accurate and supported by the content.</b>	<b>4</b>
<i>The conclusions are well-grounded and reflect the results obtained. However, they could be written more concisely and with greater focus, avoiding repetition.</i>	
<b>7. The references are comprehensive and appropriate.</b>	<b>4</b>
<i>The reference list is appropriate and up-to-date. It is recommended to check citation style consistency and complete missing details for some references.</i>	

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