

VERDICT: APPROVED WITH COMMENTS

Daystar University Institutional Scientific and Ethics Review Committee (DU-ISERC)

Our Ref: **DU-ISERC/ 08/06/2023/000869**

Date: 8th June 2023

To **Manishimwe Anne-Marie**

Dear Manishimwe,

AN ASSESSMENT OF GENERALIZED ANXIETY DISORDER AND COMMUNITY-BASED INTERVENTIONS AMONG REFUGEES IN PROTRACTED DISPLACEMENT IN URBAN SETUPS: A CASE OF UMOJA REFUGEE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION, NAIROBI, KENYA

Reference is made to your ISERC application reference No. **100523-02** dated **7th June 2023** in which you requested for ethical approval of your proposal by Daystar University Ethics Review Board.

We are pleased to inform you that ethical review has been done and the verdict is to **revise, as per attached comments and then proceed to the next stage**. As guidance, ensure that the attached comments are addressed. Please be advised that it is an offence to proceed to collect data without addressing the concerns of Ethics Review board. Your application approval number is **DU-ISERC-000869**. The approval period for the research is **between 8th June 2023 to 7th June 2024** after which the ethical approval lapses. Should you wish to continue with the research after the lapse you will be required to apply for an extension from DU-ERB at half the review charges.

This approval is subject to compliance with the following requirements.

- Only approved documents including (informed consents, study instruments, MTA) will be used.
- All changes including (amendments, deviations, and violations) are submitted for review and approval by Daystar University Ethics Review Board.
- Death and life threatening problems and serious adverse events or unexpected adverse events whether related or unrelated to the study must be reported to Daystar University Ethics Review Board within 72 hours of notification.
- Any changes anticipated or otherwise that may increase the risks or affected safety or welfare of study participants and others or affect the integrity of the research must be reported to Daystar University Ethics Review Board within 72 hours.
- Clearance for export of biological specimens must be obtained from relevant institutions.
- Submission of a request for renewal of approval at least 60 days prior to expiry of the approval period. Attach a comprehensive progress report to support the renewal.
- Submission of a signed one-page executive summary report and a closure report within 90 days upon completion of the study to Daystar University Ethics Review Board via email [duerb@daystar.ac.ke].

Prior to commencing your study, you will be expected to obtain a research license from National Commission for Science, Technology and Innovation (NACOSTI) <https://oris.nacosti.go.ke> and other clearances needed.

Yours sincerely

for Dr. Susan Muriungi PhD
Ag. Chair, Daystar University Institutional Scientific and Ethics Review Committee



Encl. Review Report

"...until the day dawn and the
DAYSTAR arise in your hearts"
2 Peter 1:19 KJV



Daystar University Ethics Review Board

Note to the Reviewer: *Please type in your assessment of the proposal.*

Proposal topic: An Assessment of Generalized Anxiety Disorder and Community-Based Interventions among Refugees in Protracted Displacement in Urban Setups: A Case of Umoja Refugee Community-Based Organization, Nairobi, Kenya

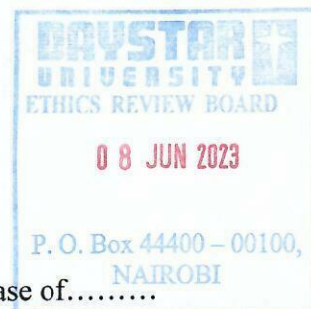
Student name: Manishimwe Anne-Marie

No: 19-1515

General Comments

Topic- edit to;

- Remove should read- assessment of: A case of.....
- Number your subtitles



CHAPTER ONE

- Create a subtopic of; Introduction to the study from paragraph two

Background of the study

- The last paragraph should be on; what gap the current study seeks to sort

Statement of the problem

- This needs improvement to include four paragraphs;
 - Paragraph one is the global problem in respect to the phenomenon of your study
 - Paragraph two -Regional “ ” “ ”
 - Paragraph three- Local “ ”.....

- Paragraph four- the site problem

Limitation and delimitation of the study

- Make it one section and for every limitation, explain how you will delimit it

Definition of terms

- For ALL terms defined, give a reference and the operational definition

CHAPTER TWO

General literature review

- 2nd objective is too short and shallow. Add more literature- global, regional and local
- Give a subtitle on the objective on precipitating factors

Conceptual framework

- You need to edit this to reflect the following candidly;
 - The independent and dependent variables which you will measure and what affects what
 - The moderating variables(which you will not measure but affect the dependent variables – list them down

The reviewers report assessment in the 3 main areas:

A. Scientific design and conduct of the study.

- Good design

B. Recruitment of research participants.

- Please note that GAD affects people above 40 year and above and not adolescents or children. Redo that
- Explain candidly how you will do the simple random sampling



- Table 3 needs to be redone because of the above comments
- You need to develop the inclusion and exclusion criteria

Data collection section

- In the introduction of the section state what sections the questionnaire will incorporate and what information it will seek to find- which section is researcher developed and which is adopted
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C. Care and protection of research participants

- Ethical considerations section needs to be improved to include;
 - Systemize the write up e.g., what did you do 1st, ethical clearance then authority to collect data or what you wrote?
 - Explain the entry point the refugee center
 - Explain how you will maintain confidentiality and anonymity
 - Explain how you will deal with issues of negative feelings among the respondents as they complete the questionnaires
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D. General Comments

Well written proposal that needs to be improved

E. Overall verdict¹

Eg. 3(b) Revise as per the attached comments and then proceed to the next stage

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¹ Your overall verdict can be any of the four options:

- 1) The proposal does not meet the minimum ethical requirements - **reject**
- 2) Effect the corrections given, then **re-submit** for ERB clearance
- 3) (a) Revise, to the satisfaction of the Supervisors (**for students**) and then proceed to the next stage.
(b) Revise as per the attached comments and then proceed to the next stage
- 4) The proposal passes as it is