




Exploring the Influence of Social Networks on Women's Family Roles and Responsibilities

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

"In Tehran, where this study is based, social networks provide women with access to a plethora of information and support systems that can alter traditional family roles." - This sentence could benefit from a more detailed explanation of how social networks specifically alter traditional family roles. Consider providing concrete examples or preliminary data to support this claim.

"A purposive sampling technique was employed to select participants who could provide rich and relevant information regarding the research question." - Provide more details on why this sampling method was chosen over others and how it ensures the reliability and validity of the findings.

"Each interview lasted approximately 60-90 minutes and was conducted in a private and comfortable setting." - Describe the interview protocol in more detail, including the steps taken to ensure the consistency and depth of the interviews.

"Women reported significant challenges in managing their time due to the distractions caused by social networks." - Provide specific examples or quotes from participants to illustrate these challenges and strengthen the narrative.

"The presence of social networks has led to changes in the division of labor within households." - Discuss whether these changes were perceived as positive or negative by the participants and provide supporting quotes.

"Parenting styles and childcare practices have been notably influenced by social networks." - Consider discussing the potential long-term impacts of these changes in parenting practices on child development.

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1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

"Similarly, Mtae (2021) discusses how social networks influence family planning use among married men and women in Tanzania..." - The connection between Mtae's findings and the current study could be elaborated. How do the cultural differences between Tanzania and Tehran impact the applicability of Mtae's findings to your study?

"The redistribution of household chores as reported by participants reflects a shift in gender roles influenced by the exposure to diverse lifestyles and practices shared on social media." - It would be beneficial to link this observation to a theoretical framework or model that explains gender role changes in modern societies.

"The study included 29 women residing in Tehran, ranging in age from 18 to 60 years." - Consider including a table or a more detailed breakdown of the demographics to give readers a clearer understanding of the sample composition.

"The principle of theoretical saturation guided the data collection process." - Explain how saturation was determined and provide examples of how new data ceased to contribute to new themes.

"Data analysis was conducted using NVivo software, which facilitated the organization, coding, and thematic analysis of the qualitative data." - Detail the specific coding process used and how inter-coder reliability was ensured.

"Social networks have a dual impact on spousal relationships affecting communication patterns and conflict resolution." - Provide more detail on the types of conflicts that arise and how participants navigated these challenges.

"The shift between online and offline socializing is a prominent theme." - Explain how this shift impacts the quality and nature of social relationships, with specific examples from the data.

"Social networks amplify peer pressure and social comparison affecting self-esteem and behavior." - Discuss any strategies participants mentioned for coping with these pressures and the effectiveness of these strategies.

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