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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p>Compulsory REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript) 2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title) 3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? 4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate? 5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct? 6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form. <p><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></p>	<p>Abstract The abstract you provided is quite informative and provides a good overview of the study. However, here are two suggestions that could improve the text:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clarify the Context: The abstract could benefit from a clearer explanation of the context. While it's mentioned that Kerala's land reform is the only one in South Asia close to the 'land to the tiller' model, it would be helpful to briefly explain what this model entails for readers unfamiliar with the term. 2. Improve Result Presentation: The presentation of the results could be improved. <p>Introduction The introduction of your research paper titled "Constraints in implementation of land reforms policies as perceived by agricultural labourers of Erstwhile Cannanore district of Kerala" is well-structured and informative. Here are four comments to improve the text:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Define Technical Terms: The introduction uses several technical terms like 'Jenmi system', 'feudalist production relations', and 'land to the tiller model'. It would be helpful to briefly define these terms for readers who may not be familiar with them. 2. Clarify Statements: The statement 'Land reforms act was a powerful strategy for promoting both economic development and environmental quality' could use more explanation or evidence to support it. 3. Improve Flow: The transition between the historical context of land reforms and the specific focus of your study could be smoother. Consider adding a sentence or two to bridge these sections. 4. Specify Research Methods: While you mention that the study was carried out in the Erstwhile Cannanore district of Kerala, it would be helpful to briefly mention the research methods used (e.g., interviews, surveys, etc.) in the introduction itself. 5. Cite Sources: The introduction mentions several studies and authors (e.g., Herring (1983), Balakrishnan (2015), Boyce et al., (2005), Franke, (1992), Ramakumar,2006). It would be helpful to cite these sources properly to maintain academic integrity and allow readers to refer to the original works if they wish. 6. Proofread for Grammar and Punctuation: There are a few minor grammatical errors and punctuation issues that could be corrected. For example, 'Land reforms act did not increase agricultural production and rural employment in the state and one of the visible results of the land reform was the extreme fragmentation of land.' could be rephrased for clarity and better flow. <p>Remember, the introduction should provide a clear context for your study, explain the relevance of your research, and outline the structure of the paper. I hope these suggestions help!</p> <p>Methodology The methodology section of your research paper titled "Constraints in implementation of land reforms policies as perceived by agricultural labourers of Erstwhile Cannanore district of Kerala" is detailed and provides a clear overview of the study design. Here are four comments to improve the text:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Specify Sampling Method: You mentioned that thirty agricultural labourers were purposefully selected from each of the five blocks. It would be helpful to provide more details about the sampling method used to select these labourers. 2. Clarify Delphi Technique: The methodology mentions the use of the Delphi technique but does not provide details about how it was implemented. Providing more information about this process would enhance the clarity of your methodology. 3. Explain Interview Schedule: While you mention a well-structured interview schedule, it would be beneficial to provide more details about the types of questions asked or the themes covered in the interview. 4. Detail Data Analysis: The methodology could benefit from a more detailed explanation of how the data was analyzed. For example, what statistical methods were used to analyze 	

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	<p>the data? Remember, a well-written methodology should provide enough detail for another researcher to replicate your study. I hope these suggestions help!</p> <p>Results and Discussion The results and discussion section of your research paper titled “Constraints in implementation of land reforms policies as perceived by agricultural labourers of Erstwhile Cannanore district of Kerala” is well-structured and provides a clear overview of the findings. Here are four comments to improve the text:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clarify Scoring System: The text could benefit from a brief explanation of the scoring system used to rank the constraints. How were the scores calculated? What do they represent? 2. Improve Flow: The transition between the presentation of the results in the table and the discussion could be smoother. Consider adding a sentence or two to bridge these sections. 3. Expand on Discussion: The discussion could delve deeper into the implications of the findings. For example, what do these results mean for agricultural labourers, policy makers, and the broader community? 4. Proofread for Grammar and Punctuation: There are a few minor grammatical errors and punctuation issues that could be corrected. For example, ‘Most beneficiaries of land reforms being from upper part of the society (297)’ could be rephrased for clarity and better flow. <p>Remember, the results and discussion section should not only present the findings but also interpret them in the context of the study. I hope these suggestions help!</p> <p>Conclusion The conclusion of your research paper titled “Constraints in implementation of land reforms policies as perceived by agricultural labourers of Erstwhile Cannanore district of Kerala” is well-written and summarizes the main findings of the study. Here are four comments to improve the text:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide Clear Takeaways: The conclusion could benefit from a clear statement of the main takeaways from the research. What is the key message that readers should remember? 2. Link to Broader Implications: Consider discussing the broader implications of your findings. How do these results impact the field of study, policy making, or future research? 3. Recommendations for Future Research: It would be beneficial to include recommendations for future research. Are there any unanswered questions or new questions raised by your findings? 4. Proofread for Clarity and Conciseness: There are a few areas where the wording could be made clearer and more concise. For example, ‘most beneficiaries of land reforms being from the upper part of the society’ could be rephrased for clarity. <p>Remember, a strong conclusion leaves the reader with a clear understanding of your main findings, their implications, and the relevance of the research. I hope these suggestions help!</p>	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Need to improve</p>	
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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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