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Journal Name:	<b>Asian Journal of Agricultural Extension, Economics &amp; Sociology</b>
Manuscript Number:	<b>Ms_AJAEES_118561</b>
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Erratic rise in tomato prices; Status, issues, government initiatives and Policy suggestions for tomatoes and vegetable crops.</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Policy Article</b>

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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><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. <b>Is the manuscript important for scientific community?</b> (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. <b>Is the title of the article suitable?</b> (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. <b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</b></p> <p>4. <b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></p> <p>5. <b>Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</b></p> <p>6. <b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</b></p> <p><b>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</b></p>	<p>The manuscript is important for the scientific community as the research could help in formulating strategies to stabilize prices and ensure food security, making it a valuable contribution to the field.</p> <p>Yes, the title is suitable as it captures the main focus of the article, which deals with the fluctuating prices of tomatoes, the status and issues affecting these prices, the government's response, and policy recommendations for tomatoes and other vegetable crops.</p> <p>The abstract provides a concise overview of the main issues addressed in the paper, including the erratic rise in tomato prices, the status and impact on India's economy and cuisine, and the government initiatives taken in response.</p> <p>The structure of the manuscript appears to be well-organized and appropriate for discussing the topic. However, the authors failed to include literature review section in the manuscript. Furthermore, the methodology is very shallow and not detailed at all. No objective, no research questions.</p> <p>This manuscript is not really scientifically correct as it seems to be more of a review paper than a research paper. Also, it has a dearth of literature and references to support many of the assumptions in the paper.</p> <p><b>Although the</b> manuscript appears to have a list of references, the list is not comprehensive enough due to the shallow use of the literature. The numbers of references used is too little for a research paper of this magnitude.</p>	
<p><b>Minor</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. <b>Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</b></p>	<p>The language and English quality of the article appears to be suitable for scholarly communications although there were many spellings mistakes including <b>Governemnt, smothning, prvided, subsidised</b> etc</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>	<p>The manuscript does not clearly define its objectives or research questions, which are crucial for guiding the study and providing a clear direction for the research. For the methodology section, it appears to be shallow and lacks depth, which affect the reliability and validity of the research findings. I also observed the poor use of references throughout the paper, which is essential for supporting claims and providing a foundation for the research. Considering these significant shortcomings, it is recommended the authors of the manuscript undertake substantial revisions to address these critical areas.</p>	

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<b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b>	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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