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Journal Name:	<b>South Asian Journal of Social Studies and Economics</b>
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Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Pattern and Determinants of Agricultural Investment: A Case Study of Two States of India</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Original Research 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>Topic: Based on the evidence provided, the research topic addresses an important and relevant issue in agricultural economics. Analysing agricultural investment patterns and their determinants can offer valuable insights into the factors influencing agricultural.</p> <p>Title: Suitable but it needs to more clarification. Suggested research title as this "Factors Influencing Agricultural Investment Decisions: A Comparative Study of Two States of India"</p> <p>Not comprehensive, should be concise and clearly written, providing a brief overview of the study's purpose, methods, results, and conclusions &amp; recommendation. It should be structured in a logical and coherent manner.</p> <p>Overall, the subsections and structure appear appropriate but a thorough review to ensure that each component aligns with the manuscript's objectives and enhances its readability would be advisable.</p> <p>Need modifications as; Consider seeking feedback from peers or subject matter experts in the field who can provide an independent assessment of the manuscript's scientific validity. Peer review is a critical step in the publication process to ensure the quality and integrity of scientific research.</p> <p>key points to consider; Many of the cited studies are from the late 1980s and 1990s, which may not reflect current trends or developments in the field. The review lacks clear organization and structure, making it challenging for readers to follow the flow of ideas.</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>key points to consider; The writing should effectively convey the research findings, methodology, and theoretical framework to the intended audience without ambiguity or confusion. Check for grammatical errors, awkward phrasing, and issues with syntax. Define specialized terms when necessary to aid understanding for readers who may be less familiar with the topic. Pay attention to headings, subheadings, citations, references, and any other stylistic conventions specified by the publication.</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>	<p>If the research addresses a significant research gap, provides novel insights, and adheres to rigorous methodological standards, it may be suitable for publication. Additionally, the research should be formatted according to the guidelines of the chosen journal or publication, including proper citation of sources, clear organization, and adherence to ethical standards.</p> <p><b>Research title:</b> Based on the evidence provided, the research topic "Pattern and Determinants of Agricultural Investment: A Case Study of Two States of India" appears to address an important and relevant issue in agricultural economics. Analyzing agricultural investment patterns and their determinants can offer valuable insights into the factors influencing agricultural productivity, rural development, and food security, particularly in a country like India where agriculture plays a crucial role in the economy and livelihoods of millions.</p> <p>But It is not clear (do you mean assessment of contextual factors? you can write the title as this "Factors Influencing Agricultural Investment Decisions: A Comparative Study of Two States of India"</p> <p><b>The abstract:</b> should be concise and clearly written, providing a brief overview of the study's purpose, methods, results, and conclusions &amp; recommendation. It should be structured in a logical</p>	

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	<p>and coherent manner, with each section flowing smoothly into the next. These are weak points.</p> <p>Lack of clarity in objectives: it does not clearly state specific research objectives or questions, making it difficult for readers to understand the purpose of the study beyond a general overview.</p> <p>Limited methodological details: The abstract mentions the use of primary data but does not provide details on the methodology used to collect or analyze the data.</p> <p>Lack of specificity in findings: While the abstract mentions some factors influencing agricultural investment in Haryana and Odisha, it does not provide specific numerical results or effect sizes. Without this information, it's challenging for readers to gauge the magnitude of the effects or compare the relative importance of different factors.</p> <p>Assumptions without justification: The abstract assumes that public investment in agriculture is a major determinant of private investment and output, but it does not provide a theoretical or empirical basis for this assumption.</p> <p><b>Introduction:</b> This part needs to restructure the introduction to provide a clear and logical progression of ideas, critically analyzing previous literature to identify gaps or contradictions, providing more context and explanation for the decline in public investment, and articulating a clear argument.</p> <p><b>Literature review:</b> This part needs a more critical analysis of the literature, incorporating more recent and diverse sources, avoiding repetition, improving the organization and structure of the review, and providing additional contextualization for the findings. Many of the cited studies are from the late 1980s and 1990s, which may not reflect current trends or developments in the field. The review lacks clear organization and structure, making it challenging for readers to follow the flow of ideas. It jumps between discussing different aspects of public and private investment in agriculture without clear transitions. Insufficient Contextualization: While the review summarizes the findings of previous studies, it does not provide sufficient contextualization or explanation of the broader socio-economic and policy factors shaping public and private investment in agriculture.</p> <p><b>Methodology:</b> This part is missing of refining the sampling method to reduce bias, providing more detailed information on data collection and analysis procedures, and considering alternative methods for estimating farm investment. Additionally, conducting a thorough comparative analysis between Haryana and Odisha would strengthen the study's findings and implications. The methodology does not provide detailed information on how these investments will be measured or valued. lack of clarity may affect the accuracy and reliability of the investment estimates.</p> <p><b>Results and discussion:</b> The analysis focuses on describing the magnitude and pattern of farm investment and its impact on output without delving into deeper theoretical or empirical analysis. The interpretation of the results appears to be oversimplified, lacking nuanced consideration of potential confounding factors or alternative explanations for the observed patterns. The analysis lacks sufficient contextualization within broader theoretical frameworks or comparative perspectives. While regression analysis is used to examine the determinants of farm investment and output, the discussion does not address potential limitations or assumptions underlying this method. Incomplete Discussion of Findings</p>	
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**PART 2:**

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

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