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PART 1: Review Comments

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<p>Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>	<p>The manuscript is very interesting as it focuses on analysing the information needs of the farmers. This article has contemporary relevance which tried to evaluate the gap between farmer community and extension services offered by the state and central governments.</p>	
<p>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p>	<p>No. The word 'mitigation pattern' doesn't fit properly in title. Author/s may give the title like as follows: <u>'Addressing Farmers' Information Asymmetry through EAS providers: A Study of West Bengal, India'</u>.</p>	
<p>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.</p>	<p>The given abstract is quite comprehensive.</p>	
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<p>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.</p>	<p>Authors should review a few more important research works on the information needs of the farmers and pluralistic extension services.</p>	
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<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The chosen topic is very interesting to explore the information asymmetry of the farmers.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Authors should add review of literature (with citations in appropriate places). 2. The information asymmetry is properly explained with the help of literature before analysing extension services. 3. Research problems need to be highlighted properly to frame the objectives of the study. 4. Justification should be given for choosing three districts of West Bengal for the study. 5. Sampling criterion and its representativeness should be added to the manuscript. 6. It should properly be highlighted by the existing GAP between information needs of the sample farmers (demand side) and departmental services (supply-side factors) in pluralistic extension scenario. 7. It would be excellent if author/s analysed the information needs of the farmers belong to different social groups. <p>This manuscript appears like just field notes rather than research article as it lacks review of literature and problem of statement. Authors should incorporate the given comments to strengthen the manuscript scientifically sound.</p>	

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