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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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<p>Materials and Methods----This section requires a major review. First a Random sampling method should have been used for selecting the markets. A purposive method of selection is a non-probability sampling method, and it is therefore not subject to a probability statistical inference. So, using this non-probability method of sampling to make statement about the entire cotton markets in India may not reflect the rule “that gives every element in your sample frame an equal chance of being selected. To justify going forward, the Author MUST provide convincing evidence why the Purposive Sampling Procedure was selected. The statement...”on the basis of arrivals of cotton in the markets” ...NOT at all clear.....we need more clarity on that statement and why NOT A RANDOM SAMPLING.</p> <p>The paper cannot go forward until the major issues raised here are adequately answered by the Author.</p>	
Minor REVISION comments	<p>I used 3 colors to highlight different concerns or corrections. Those written in Yellow...are the correct words to be included. Those in Purple colors should be deleted Those in Red colors need to be rewritten or recast. E.G 1st sentence in the Introduction should read.....”The study is aimed at using co-integration in assessing the level of market integration among selected cotton markets in India. 2nd line should read.....”Monthly cotton price data were collected for the periods 2008-09 and 2016-17.....”.</p> <p>INTRODUCTION Instead of “In the World”....That whole sentence should be changed to.....” Globally, cotton is cultivated on a total land area of about 33.48 million hectares with corresponding annual yield of about 26.36 million metric tons Following sentence should read.....India is the largest single cultivator of cotton with a total annual hectarage of about 12-13.5 million hectares (representing 37% of the world's cultivated area) and with annual yield of about 5.79 million metric tons. However, the country's average yield of about 469kg/ha falls short of the world's average of 787kg/ha. Many others that I have highlighted needs to be corrected.</p>	
Optional/General comments	<p>The discussions were quite okay except for the Method which is not accepted, because of the violation of the random sampling approach especially where the sample size selected is too small</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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