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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>This study aims to determine the competitive and comparative advantages of cashew nuts of India in the international market at 2018 prices. The purpose of this study is to use a Policy Analysis Matrix to analyses the export competitiveness and trade performance of Indian cashewnut sector. PAM has been used for this study which shows the economic and financial performance of cashew trade using factors prices (tradable and non-tradable). Tradable factors are Planting material, fertilizer, plant protection chemical and non-tradable are land, labour, capital, irrigation etc.</p> <p>I would like underline that the objective of the study is to evaluate the trade performance of the Indian cashew sector. Author underline and I agree with this that India's agricultural export potential is relatively significant in cashew trade. Interesting is that the agricultural exports have remained India's economic backbone and will continue to be the cornerstone for future export growth.</p> <p>Very interesting and valuable are the Results and Conclusions of this paper. Based on results of this paper I would like to underline that the study puts forward several implications. Firstly cashew is a valuable commodity in international trade and is a key source of foreign exchange for many countries, including India. India is the world's largest cashew processor, and exporter. India, being the world's cashew economy's leader in raw nut processing, it is the world's largest supplier of cashew kernels. Secondly because India is a big exporter of cashew kernels, it's crucial to look into the competitiveness and trade performance. Private profitability and competitiveness are likely to be top priority for those concerned with incomes in particular. Next economic planners who are concerned with the allocation of resources among sectors and the rise of aggregate revenue in the economy frequently emphasise social profitability and efficiency. Both sets of concerns eventually come down to policy incentives, which are a big part of the distinction between private and social profitability, and how those incentives can be changed.</p> <p>The results also suggest that if the denominator (value added assessed at world prices) is less than one, the denominator has overtaken the numerator (the cost of the domestic resources measured at their shadow prices). As a result, boosting cashew exports is a financially viable option. It also means that cashew has a competitive advantage since it may generate foreign exchange at a lower resource cost.</p> <p>An undoubted advantage of the reviewed work is the method of presenting the analyzed matter in a logical and clear structure. The advantage of the work is the way of narration, which allows the reader to recognize the credibility of the interpretation of the presented theories, facts, concepts, argumentations, cause-and-effect relationships and the presentation and analysis of facts based on current economic theories taking into account trade performance of Indian cashew sector under Policy Analysis Matrix (PAM) framework.</p> <p>Another advantage of the work is the use of quantitatively and qualitatively impressive literature on the subject and sources. There are important in the scientific world: monographs and studies as well as articles printed in scientific journals. There are also theoretical works, based on which the Author creates his own theoretical and methodological approach.</p> <p>From this matter, subjected to critical, but at the same time constructive analyses, the Author creates an innovative, methodically planned based on the adopted theoretical-methodological approach, logical and coherent transmission of innovative content of the research topic.</p> <p>I accept the manuscript for publication</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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