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PART 1:

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PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
I still have issues with the "Introduction" and other sections. I will mention some at this stage, but will revert to those at another time: 1. There are still many spelling and language errors. Eg see lines 39, 40, 42, 49, 54, 70, 71, 73, 91. 2. The authors need to restate the concepts in 57-58, and 94-96. 3. I noticed at least three(3) citation styles in the paper. The authors need to reconcile these and ensure that the list of references is reflective of those cited in the manuscript. 4. Section 1.1 is almost completely written in a single paragraph. That should be changed. 5. There is no justification for the sample size of 250. How was n=250 arrived at? 6. The order and rank conditions (line 214-226) should be summarized. The current form is unsightly. 7. The authors replied that they have used equation editor this time around: They did not. 8. Section 3.4: multicollinearity can be a problem even in time series data. So line 251 is not very helpful. Second, even in the face of extreme (but NOT perfect) multicolliearity the parameter estimate is unbiased, so the author's reference to unbiasedness is incorrect. 9. Section 4.1: multicollinearity happens when independent variables are linearly related to each other. What the authors said about independent variables being related to dependent variables is incorrect. 10. It would be good to add a note to Table 1 that your VIF cut off is 10. 11. Section 4.3: The authors still do not show that the so-called functional form tests they are presenting are not acceptable. RESET is designed to detect non-linearity in a model, but it cannot tell us what specific linear/non-linear model is most appropriate. The other tests have little bearing on this subject. 12. If the authors insist on doing a test for functional form, I suggest that you read and apply the parametric bootstrap method of Coulibaly and Brorsen (Econometric Reviews, 1999) or Davidson and MacKinnon's (1981) J test, because your functional forms appear to be non-nested. If this is not something you are able to do, best option is	Checked It is restated It is reconciled now It is 3 paragraphs now We did not use any mathematical formula to arrive at the sample size of 250. From our investigation we discover that there are about 2500 to 3000 agro based workers in the region. We decided to use sample size close to 1/10th of the sample frame. We are sure that 250 sample -size will adequately represent the population. Equation editor was used but was saved in a template that converts equation to pictures. It is corrected now. The problem in this section was the proper interpretation. Yes MULTICOLLINEARITY exist among explanatory variables that is what the VIF and Tolerance factor measures. We have inserted the correct interpretation now. Thanks for your positive criticism. We have inserted the correct interpretation now. It is done It is done



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to cite credible literature on the most appropriate functional form and proceed to use that functional form.

13. The rest of my review/comments will proceed after the above have been rectified.