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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(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)</i>
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Re-write conclusions Elaboration of unclear statements OVERALL REVIEW OBSERVATIONS Title Words: "in Ghana" in the 1st line of the title should be removed Perhaps could also shorten 2nd line into: "the East Akim District, Eastern Ghana" Abstract Line 14 : Should not be new paragraph. Line 17: Could improve the abstract by giving some specific recommendation according to results of the study There should be key words Introduction Line 21: The statement should be supported by reference Line 22 : Not new paragraph 24 Full stop at end of line should be removed 26 : Not new paragraph. Continuation of preceding paragraph	The title had been modified as suggested. That had been done Keywords had been provided All the issues raised had been attended to.



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	32 : Reference should be indicated after the words: “.....these aspects” 34 : Full stop removed after word “role” 37 : “.....national and global levels (References ?)” 39 : “Rogers (1995) provides a general framework, user acceptance” Statement not clear 45 : “.....However, according to Muriithii, with”. Signs “,” were missing 49 : Word “prioritized” should be “prioritize”. 62 : No “,” after word “including” 63 : No full stop after word “services” 77 : Should be continuation of line 76. Remove “The” and begin with “Specific objectives of the study” Materials and methods 94 There should be full stop after word “district” 95 : Additional sentence after word “collection” :- “These were” State the two types Words “Both instruments” Means closed and open ended questionnaires ? Word “pretested” should be “pre-tested” 96 : “A closed ended questionnaire was used to collect data; key informants were interviewed.” What’s relevance of this statement ? 99 : “..... were closed ended” should be: “..... were solicited using closed ended questions” 100 : “..... were open ended” should be: “..... were solicited using open ended questions”	The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text. The statement had been clarified. The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text. The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text.
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	102 : No new paragraph Results and discussion Line 111 : “..... since most of the people involved in agricultural production were men” Not repetition of line 110 ? Should explain more about this if there is any extra information 115 : “..... were has no formal education.....” Should be: “..... had no formal education” Could combine Table 1,2,3 into one table on perhaps “Demographic parameters of the respondents”, where perhaps could use “n” instead of “Total” 120 : Should have “,” sign after words: “programmes” and “vans” Table 2 is irrelevant to explanation herein 121 : “Farmers have” should be in past tense. “..... phones are” should be “..... phones were” 123 : Word “escape” is dubious, should be elaborated 131 : Was the use of one information seeking avenue exclusive of other avenues ? Naturally most farmers would use more than one avenue at the same time, for example Friends and relatives + Radio; Radio and Television + Mobile vans, etc	The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text. The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text. The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text.
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	137 – 147 : Too short paragraphs 138 : Word “enable” should be “enabled” 140 : Word “appears” should be in past tense 141 : “preferred channels” contradicts data in table. Could have more elaboration if wished to stress a discussion point 148 : “..... as existed” should be: “..... as it existed” There should be full-stop after word “farmers” 153 : “..... to access” should be instead of “..... access” 155 : “..... sources/ channels” No space after the slash sign 157 : Wondering whether word “ironically” used instead of “though’. Word not proper, must be substituted 161 : “..... as existed” should be “..... as it exists” Substitute “part” with “parts”; “does’ with “did” 162 : Substitute “have” with “had” 163 : “mobile kiosk” means “internet kiosk” ? 166 – 170 : Other ICT options ? Connection should be sought to relate podcasting with the mainstream content of the article 167 : Gudza (2010) should be (Gudza, 2010) 168 : “ICT,s” should be “ICTs” 175 : “connection .” should be “connection.” “For example; telecentre” should be: “For example, a telecentre	The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text. That part had been deleted.
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	177 : There should be “,” at end of line 184 : The projects Akshaya, Bhoomi, Drishtee, N-Logue and Krishi Vigyan Kendras should be translated in English 189 : There should be “,” after word “dissemination” 191 : Not new paragraph 195 : Not new paragraph 199 : There should be “,” after “FM”; “have” should be “had”; instituted a programme 200 : “ which is a platform created to” should be “..... which became a platform to” 201 : “allowed” instead of “allow” 210 : “..... provided by Canadian” should be “..... provided by the Canadian” 213 : Not “..... under- resourced” but “under-resourced, thus making the” 221 : Should be “..... from the International Institute” Conclusion 233 – 240 : Should be in discussion. Conclusion should focus on important results of the study 244 : The word “upon” should be removed References Line 284 : Murithii (2009) or Muriithii (2009) or Muriithi ? Line 294 : WSIS (2003) not in text	It would be difficult to translate these terms in English since they were special terms used for the projects The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text. The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text. The conclusion had been strengthened The name was Murithii not Muriithii
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		WSIS was in the text page 3
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Typographical errors corrected Grammatical errors corrected Writing style improved (example too short many paragraphs Could enrich results and discussion with more detail	The corrections had been made and highlighted in the text.
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Modify title	The title had been modified