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PART 1:

Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Agricultural Extension, Economics & Sociology
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PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
The main deficiencies of the paper have still not been addressed. In a scientific paper the focus should be on the conclusions reached as this contributes to new knowledge creation. This paper unfortunately does not contribute any new knowledge to the issue at hand and the conclusions are very cryptic and expected. This is because the methodology is problematic. Why was a questionnaire and interview used? Who was selected for interviews and who were supposed to complete the questionnaire? How was individual farmers selected for the study? Furthermore, the paper only reflects 4 questions being asked to respondents (age, gender, education and information seeking channels). Surely this cannot be the extent of the questionnaire. Also where is the analysis of the interviews? Surely the interview findings should inform the discussions and be reflected in the conclusion. The lack of scientific language is alarming e.g. "the study threw light..." cannot be regarded as scientific. Technical issues are also not sufficiently addressed - page 2 the first time ICT is used it should be written out then the acronym should be used. This is not consistently done. The title is not correctly formulated and contains grammatical errors. The focus of the study should also be made clear. Is the study about disseminating agricultural technologies or agricultural information? I expected that the types of information that is needed by farmers would have been ascertained and discussed. This would have been critical to this paper. The term ICT for the sake of this investigation was not sufficiently defined or explained. The paper is unfortunately not suitable for publication.	The conclusion has been strengthened. The issues being raised here had been addressed. The other questions apart from the 4 were addressed In the discussions. The word threw light here simply means unravel The ICT had been written out in the abstract The title had been modified. The technologies could be described agricultural Information. The study sought to promote the use of ICT in The dissemination of agricultural information That issue had been addressed.