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from: František Brázdik <xxx@yyy.zzz>
to: Managing Editor
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subject: Re: Request for final evaluation of revised manuscript (version 2) number: 2012 AJEA
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Dear P. ZZZZ,

I read the updated version. I see that authors followed comments closely and there is some improvement in the paper. I hoped for more complex revision. I see that the some of the most problematic sections were only removed to comply with comments.

I still evaluate the paper technical quality as econometric exercise with use of the interesting data set.

However, there are still sections, e.g. "This means that while land is complementary to seed and other inputs (e.g. Pesticides and insecticides), it is substitute to fertilizer and labour. Seed is also complementary to fertilizer and labour. " that rise the questions on how it is consistent with the farming methods etc. Also, identification of the quadratic terms rises questions on optimum and so on.

"Figures 1 to 4 below give a pictorial explanation of the sources of technical efficiency of farmers in the study area. "

Figures do not provide explanation, they provide description of efficiency relation and inputs. The explanation for these figures should be provided by authors (some are provided in the text).

I think the quality of paper improved but I hoped for much more radical improvement.

Paper is publishable but the quality is below the average of the AJEA papers I have seen.

Best,

Frantisek Brazdik

Note: Comments were received as email. Modification was done in this email ONLY to hide the identity (email, name etc).

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