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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	The manuscript represents a valuable sociological study on Nigerian maize farmers with respect to their age, sex, education and access to relevant agricultural information.	Agree
	The data are presented including relevant statistical treatment and clear conclusions are driven.	Agree
	I have only a few formal comments on the manuscript regarding English language which needs minor corrections in some parts of the manuscript.	Agree
	Suggested corrections:	
	Line 6: Abstract - should be written with one "t" only	Agree
	Line 12: Insert a comma before the word "respectively"	Agree
	Line 14: Write "Most serious constraints..." with capital "M" at the beginning of a new sentence	Agree
	Line 18: Correct the grammar and spelling in the sentence as follows: "There was a significant relationship..."	Agree
	Line 22: Write "Radio and television..." with capital "R" at the beginning of a new sentence	Agree
	Line 23: Use the word form "increased" instead of "increase" in the sentence "...to reach rural areas to improve audience level of farmers for increased proven technologies..."	Agree
	Introduction, line 29: Modify the word form	Agree



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	“populace” to “population” in the sentence “Agriculture with its positive impact on the Nigerian population....” Line 31: Insert a comma after the words “in a broad context”, i.e., “Information, in a broad context, refers to...” Line 60: Use a hyphen between the words “information” and “based”, i.e., “information-based economy” Line 61: Write the plant scientific name “<i>Zea mays</i>” in italics Line 62: Use the words “similarly to” instead of “than” in the sentence “Maize is produced annually similarly to any other grain.” Line 65: Use a plural form of the word “part”, i.e., “parts” in the sentence “All parts of the crop...” Line 68: Insert a comma before and after the word “however”, i.e., “Maize is, however, unsuitable for bread making...” Line 72: Use the word “low” instead of “How” in the sentence “It is relatively high in fat and starch but is low in proteins.” Line 74: Modify the word form “obtain” to “obtained” in the sentence “..products obtained from maize.” Line 76: Write “Corn” instead of “Com” Line 80: Insert the word “of” in the sentence “Agricultural information are messages that are of perceivable and recognizable value...” Line 83: Insert a comma after the word “Nigeria” in the sentence “Maize farmers in Edo state, Nigeria,...” Line 83: Use the word “However” instead of “But” at the beginning of a new sentence “However, the constraints they face in utilization...” Methodology, line 93: Write “The state...” with a	Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree
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	capital letter at the beginning of a new sentence Line 95: Insert "a" before the words "purposive selection, i.e., "a purposive selection of the 3 agricultural zones..." Line 98: Use "a" instead of "the" in the sentence "a random selection of 09 farmers per community,..." Line 110: Insert "that" in the sentence "A null hypothesis formulated for the study is that there is no significant relationship" Results, line 113: Insert "a" before the words "higher proportion", i.e., "a higher proportion" Line 114: Insert a space between the words "50" and "years" in the sentence "50 years" Line 119: Use a singular form of the verb "affect", i.e., "affects" in the sentence "Age affects perception,..." Line 120: Use a singular form of the verb "affect", i.e., "affects" in the sentence "age of a farmer dictates and affects the type of farming...." Line 121: Correct the words in the sentence "...other factors may also play a very important role." Line 135: Insert the verb "is" in the sentence "This finding is also tally..." Line 137: Insert "a" before the words "positive and significant impact", i.e., "a positive and significant impact" Line 141: Remove the word "in" in the sentence "Majority (50.7%) of the respondents were household head." Line 142: There is a word missing after the number "10" in the sentence. It should be probably "10 years" Line 145: Use the verb "increase" instead of "higher" in the sentence "...and to increase his output and income." Line 153: Remove the verb "are" in the sentence "...to	Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree
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	live in the new settlement permanently..." Line 157: Insert "a" before the words "longer period of time", i.e., "a longer period of time" Line 159: Insert a space between "(40.0%)" and "of" Line 171: Use a singular form of the word "source" in the sentence "...radio was most highly preferred as agricultural information source,..." Line 172: Insert a comma before the word "respectively" Line 175: Insert "a" before the words "source of information", i.e., "a source of information" Line 194: Insert "a" before the words "lack of basic infrastructure,", i.e., "a lack of basic infrastructure,..." Line 218: Modify the word "produce" to "production" in the sentence "...and evaluation of farm production..." Line 218: Use a singular form of the verb "help", i.e., "helps" in the sentence "Credit helps farmers..." Line 222: Insert "an" before the words "enhancement of future production", i.e., "an enhancement of future production" Line 226: Insert "that" in the sentence "...to the fact that women are less important..." Recommendations, line 260: Insert the word "in" instead of just "n" in the sentence "Seminars and workshops in settlement"	Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree Agree
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments		
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		