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Journal Name:	Archives of Current Research International
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Title of the Manuscript:	Personal, Socio-economic and Psychological profile of Integrated Farming System Module practicing farmers in North-Eastern Dry (Zone-II) of Karnataka
Type of the Article	Research

PART 1: Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
<b>Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</b>	<p>This manuscript has value for the scientific community in identifying personal, socio-economic and psychological motivations towards the farmers' practicing integrated farming system. Thus, policymakers, planners, and other rural development practitioners will use the findings of this study as a baseline when innovating locally relatively advantageous, compatible, trialable, simple, observable, and cost-effective integrated farming system practices inclusive of farmers' tacit knowledge, as well as site-specific strategies that may effectively address the agricultural production and sustainability of smallholder farmers' livelihoods. Moreover, it serves as a reference and springboard for researchers and others interested in studying similar research themes.</p> <p>I like this manuscript. Because:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. It has well-organized and statistically supported sound Introduction, Methodology, Results and Discussions sections. Even if there is a need for minor revisions in the introduction section, such as a need to have more study area specific explanation and use additional empirical studies that can make this manuscript scientifically more valuable. In methodological section, authors need to rewrite the flow of the methods used to make a manuscript more clearly for the readers.</li><li>2. It has novel and sound findings in paving the way for further interventions in smallholder farmers who are practicing integrated farming system. However, in the results and discussion section, authors have focused only on the number (data) of findings rather than discussions.</li><li>3. Findings hence evidence in the profile of Integrated Farming System (IFS) practicing farmers in developing countries largely. This reveals that time- and site-specific policy and program interventions need to be designed.</li></ol>	<p>We have revised the introduction section to provide a more specific explanation of the study area and have included additional empirical studies to make the manuscript scientifically more valuable. The methodology section has been rewritten for better clarity, making it easier for readers to follow the flow of methods</p> <p>We appreciate your comment on the focus on the number of findings rather than discussions. We have now revised this section to provide a more qualitative explanation of the results, offering deeper insights into the implications of the findings.</p>
<b>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</b>	Yes, it is a smart and sound title	Thank you for your positive feedback on the title. We are glad you find it appropriate.

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<b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.</b>	<p>Yes, it is comprehensive.</p> <p>A brief summary article abstract systematically contains either separated or merged major issues such as backgrounds of the study, methods used, major findings, conclusions, and recommendations. In this manuscript, I have read wider backgrounds but limited methods used, conclusions, and recommendations. Thus, authors may consider those elements to complete the article abstract. Besides this, the abstract is too long. So, it needs to be minimized up to 250-300 words. Therefore, the authors need to rewrite the abstract to be published. Furthermore, in keywords look, there is title repetition. I suggest authors to write here bold and sound words in the abstract.</p>	<p>As per your suggestion, we have revised the abstract to reduce its length to 250-300 words. Additionally, we have included the methods, conclusions, and recommendations to ensure the abstract is more balanced and comprehensive. We have also removed any repetition of the title in the keywords and added more distinctive terms.</p>
<b>Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.</b>	<p>Yes, it is.</p> <p>This manuscript is scientifically robust because it has communicated unique ideas, new knowledge, innovation, and insights to the scientific community and general public in identifying small farmers' perceptions and decision-making skills in the practicing of integrated farming system not only in the study areas but also in other countries having similar conditions. From this well-written fresh manuscript findings, other researchers will learn how to conduct a research on the determining of small farmers' motivations towards the practicing of integrated farming system and use this article as a reference.</p> <p>However, some revisions are important. In the Materials and Methods section, there is a need to include sub-sections such as a description of the study area, data sampling procedures, data sources and collection methods, and data analysis methods. In the Results and Discussion section, there is a need to have more qualitative explanation.</p> <p>Upon checking this manuscript above with balanced reasons as a reviewer, I am sure that if comments stated are reflected into account, this manuscript will have more value in the scientific community and general public.</p>	<p>We are pleased that you find the manuscript scientifically robust. In response to your comment, we have included sub-sections in the Materials and Methods section, such as the study area description, data sampling procedures, data sources and collection methods, and data analysis methods, for better clarity.</p>
<b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.</b>	<p>References are more recent but not sufficient. This generally implies that the authors may not read more related scientific/empirical studies that strengthen and support their findings.</p>	<p>We have added more references to strengthen and support our findings. This should make the manuscript more comprehensive and aligned with the current body of literature.</p>
<b>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</b>	<p>Yes, I have appreciation for authors' English language writing skills based on the manuscript they have conducted. Therefore, I suggest this manuscript is suitable for scholarly communications.</p>	<p>Thank you for your appreciation of our writing. We have made sure that the language remains suitable for scholarly communication.</p>
<b><u>Optional/General</u></b> comments	<p>I am really glad to be invited to review such a rigorous, innovative, and insightful manuscript conducted in farmers' perceptions and their adoption decisions on the introduced and indigenous agricultural practices to enhance their agricultural production and sustainability. If authors seriously revise this manuscript based on the reviewers' and other stakeholders' comments and suggestions, I am sure this article publication will contribute more to the scientific community and general public. Lastly, I am willing to answer any questions you ask me.</p>	<p>We are grateful for your positive remarks about the manuscript. We are confident that with the revisions, the article will have greater value for both the scientific community and the general public.</p>

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PART 2:

	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)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	