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PART 1:

Journal Name:	American Journal of Experimental Agriculture
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PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
1. The up-to-date literature review and the author's response is not convincing enough. In research, an unpublished work can be outdated as long as other researchers keep writing on the subject unless their current findings are compared to identify missing gap (s). Furthermore, the sample period does not mean you are restricted to only literatures with that period (s) especially when utilizing financial data. So I still insist on the literature up-date to make the findings of the paper current. 2. The most pressing issues to have been discussed in the literature are not still feasible as I commented earlier i.e. impact of various financial reforms on agricultural productivity as the objective depicts. The reputation of this JOURNAL is the major concern please. You reviewed very briefly on financial reforms to economic growth which is too broad a base; instead of narrowing by deductive approach towards specific financial reforms to agricultural productivity. You also made mention that the issues relating to agricultural development have been published already, how? 3. The variables to measure financial reforms and agricultural development may be satisfactory to you in a broad sense but not in specific sense. This is because, whenever, there are financial reforms that promote agriculture, the major areas is in the interest rate on agricultural loans, collaterals, repayment methods with lag periods, sector loan mobilization for agriculture (private and public including foreign etc). You only went broad in all by looking at the entire economy instead of narrowing on agriculture as a sector based on your objective. Please don't be too defensive in this matter but incorporate my observations to make your paper richer.	

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