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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	Check grammar, punctuation, and spelling thoroughly. Lines 13-15: Statements about KASAM are irrelevant in this section. Instead provide some numbers on the occurrence of your marketing channels. Line 24: The Introduction makes several claims, but not supporting cites are provided. Not a single reference is included in this section. Lines 35-36: The absence of fertilizer and pesticides use does not make a product organic. Proper certification by a recognized agency or third party is required. Is that the case here? If so, please provide name(s) of certifying organization(s)? Lines 56-68: Place all these terms at the end of the paper Lines 78-82: Briefly describe main issues/topics included in the interview Line 84: Tables should be explanatory enough to be understandable without any text reference. That seems not to be the case here. Do the same for all the tables Line 84: In the column "area in ha", be sure that categories be mutually exclusive, eg. 1.01-2.0 Line 88: For vegetables in general or specifically for the case of organic turmeric? Please clarify Line 130: What Si. No stands for? Line 132: I would expect to see a cross tabulation table of marketing channels type versus farm size, but you did not show it. Please consider	Complied The statement is relevant in the sense that the channel consisting of KASAM is frequently witnessed. Added The Kandhamal area of Odisha is by default, organic. Till now, inorganic fertilizers are out of reach of the tribal farmers. Complied Complied I feel that the tables are in proper format. Yes, they are mutually exclusive Vegetables in general SI No (Serial Number). Corrected Though the information is available, I don't feel it is needed in the paper. Added



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	Line 141: Year of reference is missing Line 142: Apparently, statistical analysis was not performed. It is recommended to do it to show if apparent differences are real Line 150: Why do not place Garret's score in a decreasing order? Line 153: What Nos. and SDS stands for?	Descriptive analysis was done Complied Explained Numbers and Spice development society
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Line 4-8: Break down this paragraph into shorter phrases. Line 67: it says "e4xploitation" instead of "exploitation" Line 72-73: phrase seems to be incomplete. Please check. Lines 74-75: instead of "were selected at random for the selection of farmers" write "were chosen at random for the selection of farmers" Line 153-157: Please check this paragraph. It does not seem very clear Line 184: it is said that: "proposed to start direct export of organic spices in the year 2013" but was it accomplished? We are in 2017. Please comment Line 205: The meaning of WSHGs was nor introduced before Line 216: Year is not in parentheses Line 228: Year is not in parentheses. It says "snd" instead of "and"	Done Corrected Checked and corrected "Selected" replaced with "chosen" It tells about KASAM in brief. No, direct export has not yet started. Women Self Help Groups Complied Snd replaced with "and"
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	The paper takes a good care of its objectives, but at some places it is vague and imprecise. It is suggested to check thoroughly grammar and spelling and provide further details in its different sections Most of literature is local and hard to retrieve in other parts of the world. It is suggested to increase the number of recent, relevant international publications related to the subject-matter	Grammatical errors have been attended. Recent and relevant references have also been added as per the reviewer's suggestions.