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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(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)</i>
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	There are a number of language mistakes in the text – some of them make the understanding difficult, or misunderstood. Most of these are indicated in the original PDF text in red ink, but the whole text should be carefully checked for correct language usage. In Materials&Methods: a simple map should be added to present the study area and its surroundings. Figure in p 8: – this figure should be given a number and a title – there is a blue line at the top of the figure connecting PARC, Household consumption, and Storage loss. What is the meaning of this line? I think it is irrelevant here, so the above three items should not be connected. – There is a box containing “Legends” at the bottom of the figure, referring to numbers, which are not included in the figure. Please add the numbers to the figure if necessary, or delete the box. – Otherwise the figure is a good overview of the value chain. Page 9, Marketing system: Please explain more clearly the way of estimating the total projected demand for the region (how did you arrive at the area's 5% share of the total demand?). Page 10, Product distribution & Transaction: I do not think that the actual names of the local grain collectors should be listed here (lines 3 and 4), please delete them. Table 3 contains many interesting data. These should be better explained, the explanation at the end of p 16 is somewhat	Thank you so much about your constructive comments and suggestions. Honestly speaking I am so glad by looking your nice review and comments. I have accept all your suggestions, so as much as possible I have made corrections and modifications based on your nice comment.



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	superficial. Also, some of the information in Table 3 should be presented as a chart, for better visualisation. Table 4 is a nice summary of the business model, but the numbering is somewhat confusing: from left to right the boxes are numbered: 6-7-2-3-1, which is unreasonable. I suggest that the table should follow some clearer logic –as: from the producer to the consumer, and be rearranged accordingly. Also, some explanation, or remark would be welcome in the text about this table. Table 5 should be also commented and explained. The Conclusions sector is a bit short: the author should refer back to the findings, explain the key weaknesses of the value chain, and some remarks would be needed, whether the actual findings are similar to other regions in Nigeria, or to other groundnut producing areas, or whether they are unique for the area researched.	
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<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	ABSTRACTS: the word “Groundnut” should not start with capital G when it is inside the sentence: i.e., it should be spelled “groundnut”. The same is true for the rest of the text, too! Acronyms or abbreviations should be explained at the first occurrence. E.g. - what is BoA in the Abstract? - what is qt/ha in the Introduction? If it is quintals per hectare, I suggest that the author uses ton/ha instead throughout the whole text. Throughout the text the author often uses “&” instead of the word “and”. Please use “and” and not “&” in normal text. Other typical errors: “whole sellers” should be “wholesalers”; “super market” should be “supermarket”. Please do not write “but;”, it is enough to write “but” without a “;” sign. REFERENCES section: The formats of the listed references are different, they should be unified, according to the Journal standards. Some of the references seem to be incomplete.	I accept and made any necessary corrections and modifications.
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	The paper gives a thorough description of the value chain for groundnut production in the research area. The explanations are detailed, and supported by relevant data and informative visual presentations. It is based on primary research, adding relevant statistical data.	