



REVIEWER'S REPORT

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Title: An Evaluation of Government Schemes for Agricultural Market Stabilization: A Survey-Based Study

Recommendation:

- Accept as it is.....**YES**.....
- Accept after minor revision.....
- Accept after major revision
- Do not accept (*Reasons below*)

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality	√			
Techn. Quality		√		
Clarity		√		
Significance			√	

Reviewer's Name: Tahir Ahmad

Reviewer's Decision about Paper: **Recommended for Publication.**

Comments (*Use additional pages, if required*)

Reviewer's Comment / Report

Abstract

The abstract effectively outlines the significance of agriculture in India and the challenges farmers face due to market volatility and supply chain inefficiencies. The inclusion of key government schemes—Minimum Support Price (MSP), eNAM, and Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)—establishes the study's focus. The research methodology, which involves a structured survey of 100 farmers in Namakkal district, is clearly stated. The summary of findings, particularly the gap between awareness and participation, adds value by highlighting critical implementation challenges. The abstract successfully sets up the paper's purpose and scope while maintaining clarity and coherence.

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Keywords

The keywords appropriately reflect the core themes of the study, ensuring relevant indexing and searchability. However, including "eNAM" and "Market Stabilization" could provide a more comprehensive representation of the study's focus.

Introduction

The introduction provides a strong contextual foundation by emphasizing agriculture's role in employment, economic contribution, and food security. The discussion of persistent issues, such as fragmented markets, price volatility, and intermediary exploitation, effectively sets the stage for the study. The explanation of government schemes offers clarity on policy interventions. The rationale for the study is well-articulated, particularly the concern regarding the gap between policy design and ground-level impact. The transition into the research motivation is seamless, ensuring logical flow and relevance.

About the Paper

This section efficiently presents the study's objectives, methodological approach, and structure. The three key research objectives are clearly defined, covering awareness, participation, and effectiveness. The methodological approach—using a structured questionnaire with both quantitative and qualitative elements—ensures a comprehensive data collection strategy. The emphasis on contextualizing findings with existing literature enhances the study's credibility and relevance.

Overall Evaluation

The paper is well-structured, with a clear research focus, strong contextual grounding, and a methodical approach. The integration of empirical research with policy evaluation strengthens its relevance for policymakers, researchers, and agricultural stakeholders. The writing is precise, and the logical flow ensures reader engagement. The study makes a valuable contribution to the discourse on agricultural market stabilization by offering grounded insights into policy effectiveness at the grassroots level.