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**PART 1: Review Comments**

	<b>Reviewer's comment</b>	<b>Author's comment</b> (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)
<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<p>Since the facts mentioned in the introduction are still valid till now, consider using present tense instead of past tense. Eg line 29 mastitis in dairy animals is considered as .... Other similar changes have been included in the document.</p> <p>In the materials and methods sections, clearly indicate the definition of a case of clinical mastitis and what the unit of focus was. Was its occurrence of mastitis at farm level such that if a farm had a positive case treated that constituted 1 entry or at the cow level so each cow with mastitis and treated was considered as a case. This will help clarify what the N was.</p> <p>Line 54 include study area name Line 77 indicate what N=120 means</p> <p>Lines 78-87 the descriptive language is strong and very emphatic. However, there are no statistical outputs to support the expressions used here. Consider carrying out additional statistics to show if the differences observed were statistically significant between the groups or not.</p> <p>Include currency in Table 2 Include such as median and Inter Quartile Range or minimum vs maximum costs for the reader.</p> <p>The manuscript provides relevant information to the dairy industry in India. It also provides a basis for policy implementation and capacity building reforms for the farmer and the vet service providers.</p>	
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments	<p>Line 8 and others , consider replacing per cent with % Line 11 second order of lactation....should just be second lactation. Line 12 ....417.... include currency Line 14 .....1747.92.....include currency Line 35 .....1390.... include units of measure or currency Line 41-42 include currency or units of measure Line 51 ..... III and IV lactation....consider 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> lactation Line 95.... Include name of study area Line 97-100 and table 2.... Consider replacing the word average with mean. Sometimes the word average can be used loosely and confuse the reader; include currency Consider removing justification style in the reference section to make them more presentable.</p>	
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<b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b>	<p><i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i> Author should indicate if farmers agreed to the use if the data in this study since that is an ethical issue.</p>	



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