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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	This manuscript deals with a very important issue, especially in rural areas, i.e. the women participation into the common farming activities. It includes very interesting data, but it needs to be more clear in how some of them were measured, and it lacks a proper discussion where the extent and implications of these results should be addressed.  The introduction section needs more references. Authors should explain a little more how rural women participation is linked to reducing poverty, and to provide some light over other studies dealing with these questions.  The Material & Methods section should start with a brief description of the study area, in order to let readers to understand the social, environmental and political context of this area. Furthermore, the 13 characteristics showed in table 1 of rural women are not even mentioned in this section. For example, how knowledge, cosmopoliteness, extension contact, poverty reduction and training were calculated? And some information about why these data may be important and how they are related to women participation, according to literature, would be nice to be included in the Introduction section.  Results and Discussion. First of all, there is no need to repeat all the results gathered in table 1 in the text, only the most important that will let you to discuss. Secondly, there is no actual discussion of results, only a couple of researchs are mentioned in the first paragraph, but nothing more. You need to try to understand why these results are important and which are their implications, and how they are interacting amongst them and influencing one to another, supported by literature and othere researchers' results. Actually, in this first paragraph there are some comments that are not consistent with the data. For example: "Elderly farmers seem to be somewhat less motivated to adopt new dairy farm practices than younger ones". You are not exploring the adoption of new techniques by farmers, so these kind of comments are out of place.  I think data from	
Minor REVISION comments		
Optional/General comments		

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)	

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