

## Review of: "Growth, Instability and Trend Analysis of Rice Production Indicators in Nigeria"

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- 1. Abstract. The abstract should only be one paragraph containing the importance of the research, research objectives, research methods, research results, and recommendations.
- 2. Research methodology. What is the author's reason for dividing the time series data into 4 periods? If the researcher would discuss phenomena (for example, policies) that existed in each period, then this research would be very good, but in reality, the author did not discuss the causes of the increase or decrease in paddy/rice performance in each period in the results of his research.
- 3. Results and Discussion. Because this research uses secondary data, when the author gives reasons why this happened, the author's statement should be strengthened by the opinions of experts or researchers who have conducted research related to what the author found. Don't base your statements solely on the author's opinion. For example:
- Point 4.1 explains that the harvest performance achieved has increased compared to the previous period...... "This achievement was achieved thanks to the use of the latest technology, research, and investment in research, especially in the field of better agriculture, affordable rice milling techniques and systems, as well as the efficient distribution of agricultural inputs, production, and growth." This statement should be supported by the opinions of experts or researchers
- Point 4.2 explains the comparison between Nigeria and India, where conditions show that India's performance is better than Nigeria. You further indicated "the existence of inefficient use of land and input resources, as well as the failure to improve input technology". This statement must also be supported by the opinions of experts or researchers.
- 4. Recommendations. It is best for the author to provide recommendations with operational proposals based on the results of research and discussion. For example, the author writes "a comprehensive approach is needed to develop rice varieties, improve agronomic and management practices, and deploy extension officers in major rice producing areas that currently do not have up-to-date information on increasing rice production". Are these really the causes? Can this solve the rice problem? This was never discussed in the research results.

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