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**A Study on the Impact of the Nutrition-Based Subsidy Scheme on Farmers’ Fertilizer Usage and Crop Yields**

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**COVER LETTER**

**To**  
The Editor-in-Chief  
MASU Journal

**Subject**: Submission of Manuscript Titled “A Study on the Impact of the Nutrition-Based Subsidy Scheme on Farmers’ Fertilizer Usage and Crop Yields” for Consideration in MASU Journal

**Dear Sir/Madam,**

I am pleased to submit our original research article entitled “A Study on the Impact of the Nutrition-Based Subsidy Scheme on Farmers’ Fertilizer Usage and Crop Yields” for possible publication in the **MASU Journal**. This study explores the effectiveness of the Nutrition-Based Subsidy (NBS) Scheme, specifically focusing on its influence on fertilizer usage and crop productivity among farmers in the Tindivanam Block of Tamil Nadu.

The paper adopts a descriptive research design with empirical data collected from 60 farmers using a structured interview schedule. The findings reveal a significant association between the NBS Scheme and improved farming practices, which ultimately enhance crop yields and contribute to better household nutritional outcomes. The research also discusses operational challenges and policy implications that can inform future agricultural extension strategies.

To the best of our knowledge, this manuscript presents novel insights into the intersection of agricultural input subsidy schemes and rural nutrition enhancement, a subject that aligns well with the scope of your journal. This work is original, has not been published elsewhere, and is not currently under consideration by another journal.

We believe that the MASU Journal provides an excellent platform for disseminating our findings to scholars, policymakers, and practitioners working in agricultural extension, rural development, and food security.

We respectfully request you to consider this manuscript for peer review and publication. Thank you for your time and consideration.

**Sincerely,**  
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