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Implications of Farmers' Attitude Towards Extension Agents on Future Extension Programme Planning in Oyo State of Nigeria

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ABSTRACT The focus of this study was on the attitude of farmers towards extension agents in Ogbomoso Zone of Oyo State. Stratified sampling technique was used in the selection of one hundred farmers and thirteen extension agents as the sample for the study. Interview schedule and structured questionnaire were used respectively to elicit information from the respondents. The data were analyzed using descriptive statistics like frequency counts, mean, percentages, while chi-square, analysis of variance (ANOVA) and T-test were used to test the magnitude of the relationship between dependent and independent variables. The findings showed that majority of the respondents (farmers) had very favourable attitude towards the extension services. The extension teaching methods commonly adopted by the extension agents are farm and home visit (92%), demonstration (84%), posters (77%) among other. However, significance differences exist between frequency of contact and attitude of farmers towards the extension agents