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THIS SPECIAL ISSUE contributes to the literature on gender differences in sub-Saharan African agriculture primarily by using new and innovative micro data. The first six studies in

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