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## ABSTRACT

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Work self-efficacy refers to a person's beliefs in their ability to do their job well while perceived problems are problems which prevents an agricultural extension worker (AEW) from being able to do their job at all. This paper examines the correlations and levels of work self-efficacy and perceived problems of 100 AEWs across 23 cities and municipalities in the province of Nueva Ecija, Philippines. Two scales were used. The first was the Work Self-Efficacy Scale (WSES) translated into the Filipino language while the second was a self-made Perceived Problems Scale which was tailored to measure the perceived problems of AEWs. The results partially supports the postulated relationship between the two variables in that AEWs with higher levels of work self-efficacy tend to have lower levels of perceived problems. Findings provide a benchmark for further studies regarding work self-efficacy and perceived problems, and for developing the efficiency of the agricultural extension system.

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