

Editor's Comment:

The authors have responded to my earlier comments. Although they have not fully responded to my concerns about referencing, I am satisfied that they have responded to other concerns. The authors have revised the manuscript sections as suggested, and the quality has improved. However, the issue of references appearing in the list without appearing in the text still persists. Further, the references appear different, for example: Lal, 2011 in text but Lal, P. and Badal, P. S. (2011) and Maurya, 2017 in text but Maurya, M.K. and Kamalvanshi, V. (2017) in list. Also, Kaur and Kaur, 2013 is not cited in the text. These must be rectified. They can also use this last chance to add more references.

The study is well aligned with the Journal of Experimental Agriculture International Scope and aspirations and is publishable in the journal. The authors should make the suggested corrections and revise for minor grammatical and typographical errors before its publication.

Decision:

The manuscript should be published in the journal after the suggested corrections and after any grammatical and typographical errors have been rectified.

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