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Journal Name:	International Journal of Plant & Soil Science
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Title of the Manuscript:	Effects of farmyard manure, NPK Levels, and foliar nutrition on chemical and biochemical parameters of true indigo (<i>Indigofera tinctoria</i> L.)
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PART 1: Comments

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