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Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	Organic nutrient sources are considered as one of the main component for sustainable crop production that needs to be followed for nutritional food security. Application of these nutrient sources must have to be followed to improve soil health that might help to obtain optimum productions from any crop plants. Along with this application of hydrogel might enhance the crop water productivity by retaining more water within the soil profile. With this in view the present experiment is having quite significance for the betterment of farming community.	Thanks for the comments
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