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# **PART 1:** Review Comments

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Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Changes in soil micronutrients and organic matter through integrated nutrient manageme in Maize-Mustard crop rotation under rainfed agriculture in foothills of Himalayas.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	Yes	
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