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| Journal Name: | International Journal of Plant & Soil Science |
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| Manuscript Number: | Ms_IJPSS_126185 |
| Title of the Manuscript: | EFFECT OF ORGANIC NUTRIENTS AND ZINC BIOFORTIFICATION ON GROWTH AND YIELD OF SPONGE GOURD (Luffa cylindrica L.) CV. MAHY HARITA |
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PART 1: Review Comments

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| Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part. | Response of Organic and Zn nutrients on Growth and Yield of Sponge Gourd is a very informative and practically applicable research, the result shows the positive impact of organic nutrient and Zn application on growth, yield and quality. | |
| Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title) | Title is not appealing, it may be reviewed by author Some suggestions are: 1. EXPLORE THE POTENTIAL OF ORGANIC NUTRIENTS AND ZINC BIOFORTIFICATION ON GROWTH AND YIELD OF SPONGE GOURD (LUFFA CYLINDRICA L.) CV. MAHY HARITA 2. EFFECTIVENESS OF ORGANIC SOIL AMMENDMENTS AND FOLIAR APPLICATION OF ZINC BIOFORTIFICATION ON GROWTH AND YIELD OF SPONGE GOURD (LUFFA CYLINDRICA L.) CV. MAHY HARITA 3. PERFORMANCE OF SPONGE GOURD UNDER DIFFERENT ORGANIC SOIL AMENDMENTS AND FOLIAR APPLICATION OF ZINC. | |
| 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. | comprehensive and to the point | |
| Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate? | Yes | |
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