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PART 1: Review Comments

<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
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.	I hope this message finds you well. I have had the opportunity to carefully review your manuscript for publication in the Asian Journal of Soil Science and Plant Nutrition. I appreciate the effort you have put into your research; however, I have several comments and suggestions to improve the manuscript.	Thanks for your comments for the further improvement of manuscript.
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Yes, I think the title of the article is suitable and can reflect the content of the article properly	Thank you.
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.	It would be better to add more details about the results in the abstract. the current abstract does not contain enough results and can't encourage the readers to read the whole manuscript	The abstract has been modified and improved.
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	The introduction is short and did not review previous studies properly. It suggests to review previous studies and add the finding of them to indicate the importance of this study and showing current gaps in this field. It is better to review new studies in years between 2020-2024. Clearly state the research gap and how your study fills it.	Thanks for the suggestions. The introduction has been extended and some studies during 2020 to 2024 have been included.
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The methodology section requires further clarification and elaboration. It would greatly benefit from a more detailed explanation of the procedures and techniques employed in the study. This will ensure that readers can replicate your work and understand the rationale behind your choices. Based on the concerns raised in my review, I believe that addressing these issues will significantly improve the quality and impact of your study. I recommend revising the methodology section to provide more clarity, strengthening the introduction section by incorporating the suggested changes, and considering the use of a higher-resolution dataset to account for soil classification.	Thanks for your valuable comments. The methodology part has been elaborated in more details.
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form. =	The authors described the study area completely but they did not describe their method sufficiently. for improving the article, the authors need to add more details in methodology section. I suggest to rewrite the methodology section and this time they add more details	The methodology section part has been improved now.
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	Yes	Thank you
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	I think after rewriting some parts of the manuscript such as Abstract, Introduction and methodology, it will improve. but current format of the manuscript is not suitable for publishing in the Asian Journal of Soil Science and Plant Nutrition	Thank you. The manuscript has been revised accordingly.

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PART 2:

	Reviewer’s comment	Author’s comment <i>(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	No, there are not any ethical issue in this manuscript.