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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.	Please add one sentence about the importance of intercropping and try to avoid abbreviation in abstract	Importance of intercropping in cassava was added and abbreviations in the abstract were avoided to the maximum extent feasible and it is not possible to expand all the abbreviations in abstract as it may lengthen the abstract.
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Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	Recently published articles need to be added more	Since the research works on potassium efficient cassava was very less, there is difficulty in adding recent references. However, some of the recent references were added.
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