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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	The authors are commended on the type of research conducted which is required to include the perspectives of people from Africa. All comments in the manuscript are relevant. The statistical significance of results (rainfall stats and RClimDex) needs to be discussed.	Discussed
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	I strongly recommend that the authors use Intergovernmental Panel Climate Change reports (IPCC) to emphasize the importance of their study and illustrate how this potential publication will increase the understanding of a drying African continent because of climate change and the subsequent impact on food security. The findings are consistent with IPCC findings and this should be stated. The contribution of this study to the gap in knowledge for Africa is invaluable but this needs to be further emphasized. Placing the study in the global context will elevate the potential publication to new levels.	Noted
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	The study is important because it shows the increasing dryness at a location in Africa as well the impact of a changing climate on the agricultural system. It shows the impact of pests on crop which in turn threatens food security. Detailed comments are provided in the manuscript.	Okay

PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (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)
<u>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</u>	<u>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</u> Human beings were surveyed, and this requires ethical clearance at some institutions. However, if this is not a requirement by the journal, please ignore comment.	