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Title of the Manuscript:	Performance of maize and beans under castor based intercropping system
Type of the Article	Research Paper

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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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	Introduction should clarify the castor bean maize intercropping growing system agro economics, constraints etc. were not clear. Why Fertilizer nutrients doses were applied in organic farm ? / unit area NPK scheduling needs to be clarified. Soil moisture data should be discussed with stomatal conductance. Biomass, Leaf area data etc if recorded is not mentioned. Level of competition	Introduction has been reviewed to include crucial highlights and reference on past reports on castor based intercropping system. Part of the farm has been left under conventional practice aiming at comparison purpose Fertilizer schedule has been clarified and leaf area data include
Minor REVISION comments	Remove organic if the trial is not organic INT restrict country cropping system economy etc	As advised, "organic" word has been removed since the trial
Optional/General comments	Discussion needs elaborate. Reduce introduction.	Discussion has been detailed with citations