

This reviewer highlighted the comments/corrections in yellow colour in the original manuscript (PDF version)

| REVIEWER'S COMMENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | RESPONSES TO COMMENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <p><b>Abstract</b></p> <p>The reviewer highlighted the statement “are tolerant to soil salinity are needed for a sustainable food production” and wrote ‘what?’ but did not specify what to do to it. I think the reviewer is requesting for the meaning.</p> <p>The reviewer highlighted the phrase ‘commercial salt’ and wrote ‘what?’ but did not specify what to do to it. I think the reviewer is requesting for the meaning.</p> <p>The reviewer highlighted ‘There was a large variation in germination, plant survival and yield among the genotypes. ICGY-5M-4746, ICG-IS-6646 and ICG-IS-3584 with high survival and yield under high salinity were identified as salt tolerant genotypes and recommended for planting in soil with salinity below 200 mM NaCl’ and wrote ‘cluster analysis is needed to validate’</p> | <p>The statement is very clear. It is the major challenge that the research is trying to address. The statement of research usually forms the first part of an abstract.</p> <p>It means table salt. It has been changed to table salt</p> <p>The statement was based on the overall performance of the different varieties on germination, survival, growth and yield output relative to one another</p> |
| <p><b>Introduction</b></p> <p>The reviewer highlighted ‘<i>Fabaceae</i>’ and wrote ‘not in italic font’</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <p>Italic font has been removed</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <p>Materials and method</p> <p>‘(7<sup>0</sup>37<sup>1</sup>N latitude, 5<sup>0</sup>44<sup>1</sup>E Longitude).’ and wrote ‘what’. I think the reviewer</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p>This is the geometric location of where the experiment was carried out. It is a normal thing to be cited particularly in field experiments</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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