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Title of the Manuscript:	Selected soil chemical properties in some traditional irrigation schemes of Mpwapwa District, Dodoma Region, Tanzania.
Type of the Article	Research Article

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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	1. I have made some comments in the PDF file of the manuscript. Moreover, the manuscript needs very serious language revision; there are too many syntax errors and too many expressions that are not technical. 2. It will be good to include the map of the study area in the manuscript and state the exact size of the study area. It will also be good to elaborate on the sampling scheme in Section 2.2.	
Minor REVISION comments	Please consider modifying the title as follows: Selected soil chemical properties and fertility assessment of some traditional irrigation schemes of Mpwapwa District, Dodoma Region, Tanzania.	
Optional/General comments		

Author Feedback

RESPONSE TO COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS FROM REVIEWERS

A: Comments/suggestions from Anonymous Reviewer: The pdf text

S/No	Comment/suggestion	Response
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L2	Selected soil chemical properties in some traditional irrigation schemes of Mpwapwa District, Dodoma Region, Tanzania.	Modification of title accepted as per reviewer's suggestion to read as "Selected soil chemical properties and fertility assessment in some traditional irrigation schemes of Mpwapwa District, Dodoma Region, Tanzania."
L13	Elaboration on the sampling procedure used	The sampling procedure has been elaborated as suggested by the reviewer
	Abstract	Results section in the abstract has been modified as suggested by the reviewer:
L21	District, where?	Completed as per reviewers comments "Mpwapwa District, Dodoma, Tanzania"
L50	Delete 2 references	The references have been deleted as suggested
L128	SOM, Meaning?	SOM: means Soil Organic Matter
L152	Top soils, suggested as one word	Accepted as one word topsoil as suggested by the reviewer
L158	Unacceptable style of reporting (Tables 3, 5, [34])	Corrected to be (Tables 3 and 5) [33].
L178	Which materials?	The referred material here is the "Soil Organic Matter"
L181- L183	Limit references to five, most relevant ones	References have been reduced
L187	Where is the reference to this?	Three references have been added as per reviewers' suggestion.
L214 - 217	Please what manner of citation is this?	The references appearing between the sentence have been placed at the end of the sentence
L225-L226	This is an unconventional way of starting results presentation.	The sentence has been moved to L230 in the middle of the paragraph.
L237	But you included Na among the list in the Materials and Methods.	This nutrient is discussed together with ESP in section 3.8 in the text
L573	Table 1, write in full, and delete some information	This was done as suggested



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L598	Define also the abbreviations for the soil texture	Abbreviations on soil textural classes have been defined at the bottom of the table
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