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PART 1:

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PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
- Need to consider the corrections and amendments where possible (indicated in red colour), especially for references in text. - Map showing sampling areas may be necessary for the purpose of future studies, as research is continuous and not only required for classification study, thus may still be necessary. - Recommendation for separation of each figure was for clarity, as each of the figures represents two different soil types; may need to reconsider as it would not affect the results or discussion in anyway.	1. Corrections have being effected where necessary. 2. Map of the sampled area is now added. 3. The shaded portion shows differences between the Fallow and Cultivated and it is expressed as the PSDI see the equation in the text. The magnitude of the difference determines the ability of the soil to with stand disruption under an applied force. Secondly each Figure represent dry and wet sieving of the same soil type and not two soil types as claimed. So each Figure cannot be separated as suggested as it will affect the result and interpretation.