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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 Line 26, Line 29 Lines 116 and 134 Lines 140 Line 149	The abstract should be written as a single paragraph while respecting the various sections. What is the meaning of the term mechanical? Do you mean manual? Mechanical means with machines. I think the appropriate word is manual. Is it hand weeding or hand hoeing? Differentiate please. The figures are not properly prepared. The legend for each figure must be under the figure for easy comprehension. The legend for CN and SN are too similar. They need to be differentiated if possible use patterns to better differentiate. Figure 3 is mentioned after the figure has been presented. It should be mentioned before it is presented.	The term “manual” is now used in line 26 The general way is hand hoeing (hand weeding is too time consuming in sweet potato) Corrected. Corrected. Corrected. Also done for Figure 5 and 6
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