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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	The study conducted has the potential to attract an interest from the farmers. However, I strongly felt that the objectives of the study were not met at all. The author/s indicated from the start that he/she want to present soil and climatic conditions, applied production technology and determine the economic viability of the irrigated organically grown Mint. As far as this study is concern, only the economic viability of the irrigated organically grown Mint was presented. Under no circumstances whereby the author talked/discussed about the soil, climate and applied production technology. **Abstract**: the abstract is not that informative since the author did not clearly show the motive of the study and how the author conducted his/her study, what was the treatments and how was the data analyzed. The results presented was not clear at all. **Introduction**: the introduction only focuses on the characteristics of Mint plant and nothing about the soil, climate and applied production of organically	

	grown Mint. I expected the author to explain the differences between organic and conventional farming and what products or inputs are used under organic farming. What are the relationship between soils, climate and production technology especially under organic farming? **Materials and methods**: this section was poorly done due to the fact that the author did not provide us with the characteristics of the study site. I expected the author to briefly tell us about the climatic conditions of the study area e.g. maximum and minimum temperature, evaporation, air humidity, soil type, and the type of technology used to produce crops. The aspect of irrigation was not touched at all. What was the type of irrigation used to irrigate the crops in question and how much water was used up until harvesting? **Results and Discussion:** Only the results showing economically viability of organically grown mint was presented. I think it could be clearer if the economic viability conducted by the author was also compared with the economic viability of conventionally grown mint. The aspect of discussion was totally omitted. The little results provided was not discussed at all and I edge the author to pay much attention on this aspect since it shows us the depth of understanding of the author about the topic in question.	

	Conclusions: I did not expect the author to provide us with solid and concrete conclusion about the study since most of the sections were not fairly approached, however I believe that the conclusion can change provided the author/s adhered to all the comments and suggested provided. **References:** It seems as if the author did not follow the journals' requirements when drafting the references. I am also worried about the number of references given. This indicate that the author did a very little literature review which contributed in limiting his/her knowledge about the topic and what other researchers have found as far as the production of Mint is concern.	
Minor REVISION comments		
Optional/General comments		

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