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Journal Name:	<a href="#">International Journal of Plant &amp; Soil Science</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJPSS_66216
Title of the Manuscript:	Soil chemical properties and growth response of <i>Jatropha</i> to Rice Husk Dust and NPK in Ebonyi State, southeastern Nigeria.
Type of the Article	Original 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)
<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Paragraphs without references: "<i>Jatropha curcas</i> plants are usually found economically un-useful and invaluable, except when they are used as fences for house, a factor that has limited its propagation in Nigeria. <i>Jatropha</i> plants which are abundantly found in abandoned lands can be easily propagated by cuttings in arid and semi-arid conditions and is well effective in erosion control." "Despite the energy supply potentials and the economic relevance of <i>Jatropha</i>, studies on the commercial production of the plant using conventional nutrient input programmes is still limited."</li> <li>Cite works in the literature on the species</li> <li>The author says that the rice husk had an effect in many cultures, however he only mentions two and does not attribute a positive value to this effect.</li> <li>Check the source of the work in some paragraphs there is a change of font</li> <li>To check the methodology date, the author reports that the work was carried out during the April 2020 to March 2021</li> </ul>	
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I suggest the author to review his entire discussion, to make a survey of the work already done with the species both in relation to the use of rice husk and NPK, so his research would be more consolidated in the information.</li> </ul>	
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cite papers that talk about the relationship between using NPK and the rice husk</li> </ul>	



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<b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b>	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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