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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	It is a good piece of work to standardise the culture medium and suitable pH for the isolation of the pathogen. Authors should also cite a recent publication on this topic (Sharnabasav et al., Morpho□molecular and mating□type locus diversity of <i>Ustilaginoidea virens</i> , an incitant of false smut of rice from Southern parts of India, Journal of Applied Microbiology. doi:10.1111/jam.15087) and it has to be included in the discussion. Other corrections were included in the MS file	
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<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Nil	

PART 2:

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

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