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Title of the Manuscript:	Chemical characterization of acid sulphate rice soils of Upper Kuttanad of Kerala
Type of the Article	Research Article

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