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Title of the Manuscript:	Evaluation of bitter gourd genotypes for pest and diseases incidence under natural condition
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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)
<p><u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</p> <p>4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p> <p>5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</p> <p>6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</p> <p><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></p>	<p>1. Yes, the manuscript contents provide important insight in the scientific community.</p> <p>2. Title is suitable and concise.</p> <p>3. Abstract was also concise. Though, may I suggest to include experimental design used in the study. Additionally, I observed that in the conclusion part, there were two outstanding genotypes mentioned but only one was mentioned in the abstract, may I suggest to include the other genotype also.</p> <p>4. In the introduction part, I highly suggest to add additional information of the occurrence of the infestation in the Region where the study was conducted and to what severity it may had caused in economical aspect of bitter gourd market. This will give further merit and scientific importance to this article.</p> <p>Additionally, it is better that small tables should not be caught between pages, specifically Table 3. Re adjust manuscript to avoid cutting the table in between pages.</p> <p>5. Though the lay-out of the experimental design was mentioned, the manuscript failed to include statistical analysis used to test significant difference between genotypes tested.</p> <p>6. Add references/documentation on the fruit fly and mildew infestation in the region and its effect on the bitter gourd market and overall economic downside.</p>	
<p><u>Minor</u> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>The manuscript exhibits suitable scholarly sound communication relative to language quality.</p>	
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<p>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</p>	<p><i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i></p>	

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