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Journal Name:	International Journal of Plant & Soil Science
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJPSS_124011
Title of the Manuscript:	<i>In vitro</i> effect of bio-agents for control of Alternaria blight of Indian mustard incited by <i>Alternaria brassicicola</i>
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PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback (Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p>Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>	<p>The manuscript presents important findings for the scientific community, particularly in the field of agricultural science and plant pathology. At the same time, it is important for the agriculture community to use biocontrol agents to inhibit the growth of <i>Alternaria brassicicola</i>, because Alternaria blight disease is one of the damaging diseases among the major diseases of mustard causing up to 70 per cent losses in yield. Hence, the study addresses a significant issue for mustard cultivation by evaluating the <i>in vitro</i> effect of bio-agents for control of Alternaria blight of Indian mustard incited by <i>Alternaria brassicicola</i>.</p>	
<p>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p>	<p>Yes, the title of the article is suitable.</p>	
<p>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.</p>	<p>Yes, the abstract of the article is comprehensive.</p>	
<p>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p>	<p>Yes, but insert numbers to sections and subsections respectively.</p>	
<p>Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>	<p>The given manuscript is scientifically robust, because the findings, especially the per cent growth inhibition decreases by certain especially fungal bio-control agents, offer valuable insights for reducing qualitative and quantitative losses in Mustard crop. This research can guide farmers and agricultural professionals in selecting effective bio-control agents, ultimately enhancing crop yield and quality.</p>	
<p>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.</p>	<p>No, author should add recent references. The first Ahmad's (2017) reference is added in direct references without mentioning it in any other section of the manuscript. So, it should be changed.</p>	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <p>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Manuscript has many typing mistakes. As well as there are few grammatical mistakes. So, changes should be made in it.</p>	
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>1. According to Wikipedia, the Origin of Mustard is Egypt. Author has mentioned China. So please confirm once. 2. Treatment number 4 is given in the Experimental details and same is given as 5 in the table, please confirm once. 3. Apply same rule to cite references at the end. 4. As well as according to my suggestions, the corrections that need to be done are highlighted in yellow colour.</p>	

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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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