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Journal Name:	Journal of Experimental Agriculture International
Manuscript Number:	Ms_JEAI_122102
Title of the Manuscript:	Original Research Article Occurrence and Management of blast and leaf blight in Browntop Millet (<i>Brachiaria ramosa</i> (L.) Stapf)
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PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
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.	Since the crop is fairly new to India, records of diseases and management would bring awareness and knowledge about profitable cultivation of Browntop millet.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Modified	
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.	Abstract is with scant details. 1. Please mention about the percent disease index values for each disease at the lowest and the highest. 2. Please mention the impact of weather parameters on the diseases. 3. Please expand the genus name of B.subtilis 4. Please mention the yield and C:B ratio values.	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	Yes	
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.	Materials and methods followed as per standardized protocols and the data is analysed using standard statistical methods. The results are discussed to draw proper conclusions. However, the following questions are to be addressed: 1. Please mention the sampling procedure. How many leaves were sampled? How many times sampling (per week / month?) was done? What was the plot size? 2. In the abstract it is mentioned that the crop was sown in July. Please mention such details in materials and methods. Please mention the size of surveyed plot and method of sampling. How many leaves? Which leaf (2 nd or 4 th or 6 th leaf)? 3. Please mention the period /duration (entire crop period?) ; where were the weather data obtained from (source of weather station, location)? 4. What were the treatments? What was the design of experiments and plot size? Please include the list of treatments and number of replication.. When were they applied? What were the doses and frequency of application? What was the method of application? What and when were the observations taken? How many observations were taken? 5. Was the data subjected to transformation? If so, what were they? 6. Please mention the r values in the text. Tabulate the r values of the all the weather factors with the disease index even if they are insignificant. 7. Discuss in the results as to which treatment is better in terms of yield and B:C ratio, combined. Mention the most significant values in the text. 8. References -Style is not uniform.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	Yes.	

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Minor REVISION comments Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	The language was not standard. Grammatical errors were observed.	
Optional/General comments	Materials and methods and results are sketchy. Please describe in detail. Abstract has to be rewritten. All the comments have to be addressed before acceptance for publication.	

PART 2:

	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)
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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