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Journal Name:	<b>International Journal of Environment and Climate Change</b>
Manuscript Number:	<b>Ms_IJECC_123108</b>
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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.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The manuscript will be useful for the watermelon growers.</li> <li>2. The title of the manuscript has been modified slightly</li> <li>3. The abstract is comprehensive. Language is adequate.</li> <li>4. The structure of the manuscript is fine.</li> <li>5. References are sufficient.</li> </ol> <p>Suggestions and recommendations mentioned as comments are to be carefully carried out before final submission.</p>	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	The title of the article has been slightly modified. <i>Population Dynamics and Environmental Correlates of Insect Pests in Watermelon (Citrullus lanatus T.)</i>	
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.	The abstract of the article is adequate. The scientific names are to be included with authors. Minor suggestions are mentioned which may be carried out.	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	Yes. The subsections have been properly made. The structure of the manuscript is also adequate.	
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Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	Yes. The references are appropriate.	
Minor REVISION comments  Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	The language of the manuscript seems to be adequate.	
Optional/General comments	The manuscript has been well written. But it would be sufficient to correlate the major insect pests for weather correlation. Two of the minor pests in the study have also been correlated and suggestions were given to remove these insect pests. Overall the manuscript is adequate in terms of scientific pursuit.	

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

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