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Manuscript Number:	<b>Ms_JGEESI_122785</b>
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Effects of Diverse Land Use Systems on Soil Quality in the Semi-Arid Region, Bengaluru, India</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Original Research Article</b>

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#### **PART 1: Review Comments**

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<b>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.</b>	The reasons why this manuscript is important include: (1) The employment of PCA which enables utilisation of large volume of data. (2) Sufficient soil (physical, chemical and biological) parameters are used to enables fair representation of each class. (3) The use of the four land use classes is also sufficient for a fair validity of the study.	
<b>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</b>	The title of the article can be modified as: <b><i>Assessment of Land use Systems for Soil Quality in the Semi-arid Region of Bengaluru, India</i></b>	
<b>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.</b>	Recommendations are not provided in the abstract. This should be done accordingly.	
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