

Review Form 3

Journal Name:	International Journal of Plant & Soil Science
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJPSS_130116
Title of the Manuscript:	Introduction of Castor hybrid in newer area as alternate crop in gap area
Type of the Article	Original article

General guidelines for the Peer Review process:

This journal's peer review policy states that **NO** manuscript should be rejected only on the basis of '**lack of Novelty**', provided the manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound. To know the complete guidelines for the Peer Review process, reviewers are requested to visit this link:

<https://r1.reviewerhub.org/general-editorial-policy/>

Important Policies Regarding Peer Review

Peer review Comments Approval Policy: <https://r1.reviewerhub.org/peer-review-comments-approval-policy/>

Benefits for Reviewers: <https://r1.reviewerhub.org/benefits-for-reviewers>

PART 1: 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. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diversification and Risk Management: Introducing Castor as an alternate crop helps diversify cropping patterns, reducing the dependency on traditional crops and mitigating risks associated with climate change, pests, and diseases in the gap areas. • Efficient Utilization of Marginal Lands: Castor, being a hardy crop, can thrive in less fertile soils and semi-arid conditions, making it suitable for underutilized or marginal lands in newer areas, thereby enhancing agricultural productivity. • Economic Benefits and Sustainability: Cultivating Castor provides farmers with an additional source of income due to its high market demand for industrial applications like lubricants, cosmetics, and pharmaceuticals, while promoting sustainable agriculture practices. 	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Exploring Castor Hybrids as an Alternate Crop in Untapped Areas	
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.	Good	
Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.	Well prepared and documented good outcomes	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	Add references regarding castor cultivation system in different locations trails either sole system or intercropping system	

Review Form 3

Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	Good	
Optional/General comments	I made some corrections on original article which is highlighted in red colour go through once and make it coaction for improvement of quality of article PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT	

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>	

Reviewer Details:

Name:	Gangadhar K
Department, University & Country	University of Agricultural Sciences, India