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4. Line 29: This will improve soil organic matter content. Please, put this sentence in discussion as soil organic matter has not been measured in the study.
 Line 32 to 33: Keywords: Tomato, Proportionate Combinations, Indigenous Rice Bran, Mineral Fertilizer, Soil Fertility and Crop Performance. growth, yield and nutrient uptakes.
INTRODUCTION
 Line 36: It belongs to the family solanaceae solanaceae family
 Line 38 : Tomatoes are normally propagated established either by seeds
 Line 43: Tomatoes typically grow up to 1-3 meters in height (when staked by support ???) and have a weak stem that often sprawls over the ground and vines over other plants
9. Line 56: many tons
MATERIALS AND METHODS
10. Line 83 : T5 = application of 100% Rice bran (and corresponded to xxx tons of rice bran at yyy % dry matter per ha)
11. Line 98: Moreso More so
12. Line 87: (4WAT). Authors did not use it after so they can delete it.

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	RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS	
	13. Table 4. 4 th colon (cumulative number of fruitplant ⁻¹)	
	14. Line 212: Authors did not measure leaf shading. They measured the number of leaves per plant. So, they would discussed about the number of leaves they counted at early boom flowering.	
Optional/General comments	ANY	

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