

Editorial Comments:

It is a good paper. However, before its publication, the authors need to provide rationale of this study, soil analysis data and economics of application of these micronutrients (returns to investment). In addition they need to repeat this study for three seasons to get statistically significant results.

Authors Feedback:

Dear Sir,

Thank you sir for appreciating and publishing my research article in your esteemed journal. As per your comments I am incorporating the information on the rationale of the study soil analysis data. The economics of application of these micronutrients are as follows-

- Zn and Fe deficiency in human diet has caused several diseases. The present study was done to develop zinc and iron rich grain/seed for human consumption.
- Because of the low mobility of Zn and Fe in plant system, their applications in the soil doses not reach the upper portions of plant (grain/seed). Therefore, in addition to application in soil, foliar application was also applied which resulted accumulation of these micronutrients in the seed/grain.
- To fulfils the need of zinc and Fe human depend on supplements for oral consumption, which is expensive therefore unaffordable for many. As a result, the inclusion of these micronutrients in grain/seed in plant is no doubt a more economic and effective method
- In addition to above your advice for repeating the study for three seasons can be taken up in subsequent studies.

Thanking you