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PART 1:

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Title of the Manuscript:	RESPONSE OF FENUGREEK (TRIGONELLA FOENUM-GRAECUM L.) TO DIFFERENT LEVELS OF NITROGEN, PHOSPHORUS AND POTASSIUM
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PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
The Authors have not made any changes in reporting of the results as suggested in the last review. In statistics if there is a significant interaction effect of variables being tested, then the authors need to conduct a further analysis to ensure they identify the differences results from the interactions. This is the information to be reported and not the single variable effect. The justification given on the pooling of data obtained in year 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 is not scientifically correct.	Comment 1 The Authors have not made any changes in reporting of the result statistics if there is a significant interaction effect of variables being tested, then the authors need to conduct a further analysis to ensure they identify the differences results from the interactions. This is the information to be reported and not the single variable effect. Explanation Explanation to all the queries raised by the reviewers earlier was submitted point-wise. The result as well as implication of the result has been modified as suggested. I do cite some such modifications for your kind reference. In both the table and Figure, the parameter yield/plot was deleted as per your suggestion. In materials and methods, it was clarified that a population of 100 plants were maintained in the 3 m² plot size keeping 20 plants per row of 5 rows in each plot. Comment 2 The justification given on the pooling of data obtained in year 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 is not scientifically correct. Explanation Significance of the sole effect of three plant nutrients as well as their interactions was tested separately for two years and additionally over the years employing the average data. This additional testing of significance did not attenuate the worth of the trial rather, it helped in arriving at the conclusion in such cases where significance of the result was different in two years.