Editor's Comment:

The paper is improved but has still some imperfections that may be corrected. For example, in my opinion, in the line 69 something is missing so that the phrase would become "BINA developed salt tolerant variety Binadhan-8 which was used as tolerant while HYV Binadhan-7 was used as susceptible". In the line 71 and 180, the words saline and phenotype should not be put in uppercase. At line 157, 'that' after 'and' should be eliminated. Anyway, my opinion is favorable to the publication but a careful reading is recommended to authors.

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