Editor's comment:

(1) The abstract should be shortened.
(2) "Genotype × irrigation interaction" is not an appropriate keyword.
(3) "1. Analysis of variance" is not a good subtitle. Please give more detailed subtitle.
(4) "2. Effect of deficit irrigation at flowering" What do you mean? Flowering means flowering period?
(5)"Genotype × irrigation" cannot be used in the subtitle.
(6)Please give the meaning of "**" in Tables 4 and 5.
(7) "Based on water-efficiency, Based on drought tolerance, and Based on mean grain yield" are not suitable for the subtitle. please give more detailed information
(8) There are so many editing errors, please find a native English speaker to edit the language.

Author's feedback:

(1) Okay, I shortened the abstract.
(2) Okay, I deleted this keyword.
(3) Okay, I added "of the split plot design " to "Analysis of variance" to become: "Analysis of variance of the split plot design" Do you agree?
(4) I added " stage" to the subtitle. We always use it in maize because drought causes maximum loss in maize yield when happened at flowering stage.
(5) It is "**Genotype × irrigation regime interaction":** and not "**Genotype × irrigation**". This subtitle"**Genotype × irrigation regime interaction"** is okay.
(6) Okay, I added <mark>* **and******significant at 0.05 and 0.01 levels, respectively,**</mark> under both tables colored in yellow.
(7) I gave more details as follows; **Based on relationships between means under water stress and under well watering :, Based on relationships between drought tolerance and means of grain yield and quality traits under water stress:, Based on relationships between mean grain yield and mean grain quality trait:**
(8) I did my best to improve the English language. Thank you very much.