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Journal Name:	International Journal of Plant & Soil Science
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Title of the Manuscript:	Effect of N, Zn and B Levels on Yield, N, Zn and B Content and their Uptake and N Use Efficiency in Maize –Wheat Sequence in a Vertisol of Central India
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# **PART 1:** Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	Article generally well written but Abstract and introduction is so weak. Thus they should be rewritten and improve. Title is written so long?	
	Introduction Line 27-31 is not necessary. This expression should be given about world. Otherwise, it might be shown local. Wheat and maize is the most important product in the world for human and animal nutrition	
	Material and method is well written. The trial is clearly written how it was established Using method in the experiment was described detail by the author, but author should be explained:	
	Line 17-21 why do you use residual effect for B and Zn? The author should explain this expression? The residual effect is a situation that has appeared in many years.  Zinc limit value is 0.5 mg kg-1. In this trial the zinc value is above the limit value (1.1mg kg-1). However, zinc has been considered as a factor. Author should be explain this situation.  Boron value is low (0.4 mg kg-1) Thus, 100 g boron application is sufficient ?? Maize take up amount of high nutrient from soil.	
	Results Results and discussion is well written,	
	Content or concentration expressions should not be confused in the article Concentration is expressed as an amount of a compound per unit of	

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	weight, or mass, or liquid. Content is the concentration of that compound multiplied by the total weight of the sample. Therefore, concentration is expressed in g/g, or g/ml e.g. whereas content is expressed solely in grams, or moles, etc.	
	The author should use the concentration expression instead of content	
	It is very difficult to explain the interaction relation between B and Zn. Besides Boron concentration value is very low in mazie (table 1)	
	The conclusion is written not enough and it should be improve and rewritten in more detail.	
Minor REVISION comments		
Optional/General comments		

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