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Journal Name:	<a href="#">International Journal of Plant &amp; Soil Science</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJPSS_37339
Title of the Manuscript:	Effects of shade regimes and varying seasons of irrigation on survival, developmental pattern and yield of field grown cacao (Theobroma cacao).
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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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)
<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<p>.- abstract must be reducing it is too long</p> <p>.- Are needed hypothesis of these manuscripts,</p> <p>.- introduction must be rewriting with focus, including objectives and question will be answer.</p> <p>.-there is not a clear hypothesis of work</p> <p>.- The drought treatment should be clarified well. it is not clear,</p> <p>.- the statistical analysis should be clarified. It was a two-way analysis of variance performed?</p> <p>.-I consider that the number of tables presented is unjustified (10 in total), they could show some graphics..</p> <p>.-Table 1 , 2 and 3 must be left out that information are shown also on table 4 and 5. ANOVA of Two way should be done.</p> <p>.- The major flaw is that the amount of radiation incident in each shade treatment is unknown throughout the day, and we do not know neither whether the drought treatment affected the cacao physiological performance, since the water status of the plants was not evaluated</p>	<p>Still within the range in term of number of words required</p> <p>The objectives of the research is clear, no need for hypothesis</p> <p>Stated in the materials and methods</p> <p>Adjusted with table 1,2 and 3 converted to chart</p> <p>This have been indicated in text</p> <p>This have been indicated in text</p>
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments	<p>.- The first 4 lines of the abstract are exactly the same as the first 4 lines of the section materials and methods. evade this type of repetitions</p> <p>.- Authors must be rewrite the results more concretely</p> <p>.- reference should be written in a homogenous style, that is, the one requested by the journal</p>	corrected
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	I consider that the work has good results but they must work more on it before manuscript become accepted	