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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	1. Experimental design should be clearly stated in the method, whether completely randomized or block design. 2. The author did not explain the treatment of first and second year. Were they the same or not since it would affect the variables observed. 3. Discussion on data comparison between year 2014 and 2015 is very limited. It will give another information.	The experimental design was clearly stated in materials and methods section, but the problem might be the Treatments and experimental procedure was presented in separate section, to increase the visibility of the information; now Treatments and experimental procedures are put together. Yes, the experiment was repeated across year, but not across location. And treatment effects were similar across the two seasons. On top of this the variance components of the two seasons were insignificant, which compels to make combined analysis of the two seasons. Therefore the discussion focused more on the treatments than the difference between seasons.
Minor REVISION comments	1. Most of references are older than 5 years. Please add more recent references.	Thank you, but the old references I used were for information about Ethiopia as a whole and or some specific areas in Ethiopia, which could not be simply available in recent times. Some other old references are for laboratory standard procedures, which have not showed methodology updates until recently. But, if I must change at least some of them, I may improve it with extra time you might give me.
Optional/General comments		I have also made revisions based on the comment you gave me and I have showed the corrections I made by highlighting with yellow colour.