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PART 1:

Journal Name:	Journal of Experimental Agriculture International
Manuscript Number:	Ms_JEAI_33245
Title of the Manuscript:	Differential Response of Four Sugarcane (<i>Saccharum officinarum</i> L.) varieties to NPK 20:10:10 Fertilizer in South western Nigeria
Type of Article:	Original Research Article

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
First, I comment on the response of the author to my earlier review comments. Some comments have not been addressed and I think it is prudent the author addresses them <i>Rewrite the title to reflect the moisture regime, rainfed and irrigation.</i> <i>Rewrite the methodology section and clearly state how you determined the sugarcane quantity and quality parameters.</i> <i>Clearly state the cropping cycle e.g. plant crop or ratoon</i> Secondly, the author should strongly address the comments I have stated in the text shown in track changes since some anomalies are so obvious. E.g. time when planting and harvesting was done. Well written discussion which include linking up the author findings and work done by other authors. These are just examples as more are in the text. Please address them. Thirdly, the author should carefully see the track changes, accept if appropriate. I think most will be appropriate and the author should therefore accept changes. Fourth, a minor comment is that one of the treatments should have been 'control' where no fertilizer was applied for each of the variety. This would have shown the incremental benefits of using fertilizer vis a vis no fertilizer use. Fifth, I was expecting the results under irrigation study, namely yield t/ha for NCS004 and NCS003 would have been higher than when under wet season. The cane weight (kg/plot) under irrigation was higher than under wet season. This observation should have been discussed.	OK