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REVIEWER'S REPORT

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Title: Agroecological adaptability and forage valorization of Pennisetum purpureum and Dolichos lablab for small ruminant feeding systems in southern Niger: a narrative review.,

Recommendation:

Accept as it is .....

Accept after minor revision yes

Accept after major revision .....

Do not accept (*Reasons below*).....

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		yes		
Techn. Quality		yes		
Clarity		yes		
Significance		yes		

Reviewer Name: Dr. Himanshu Gaur

Detailed Reviewer'sReport

The manuscript presents a comprehensive and well-organized narrative review on the agroecological adaptability and forage valorization of Pennisetum purpureum and Dolichos lablab for small ruminant feeding systems in southern Niger, addressing a highly relevant issue in the context of Sahelian livestock sustainability and climate variability. The topic is timely, the objectives are clearly stated, and the use of an agroecological framework provides a strong conceptual basis for the analysis. The literature review is extensive, drawing on a wide range of peer-reviewed articles and technical reports, and effectively highlights the functional complementarity between grass and legume species in semi-arid environments. The methodology for the narrative review is clearly described and transparent, although it could be strengthened by briefly summarizing the number of studies reviewed and their temporal or geographical distribution. The results and discussion sections are coherent and well-structured, offering meaningful synthesis rather than mere description, and they successfully link agronomic performance, nutritional value, and system-level integration. However, some sections are lengthy and could be slightly condensed to improve readability and avoid repetition. Minor language polishing and formatting consistency are also recommended to enhance clarity and academic presentation. Overall, the manuscript makes a valuable contribution to the literature on forage-based strategies for small ruminant systems in the Sahel and, with minor refinements, is suitable for publication.