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# OPTIMIZING NITROGEN FERTILIZER LEVEL IMPROVED GROWTH, YIELD, AND FRUIT QUALITY HORNED MELON (*CUCUMIS METULIFERUS* E. MEY. EX)

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## Summary

Nitrogen (N), a fundamental macronutrient essential for all plants, critically impacts cucurbit