

Supplementary data

I. Figures

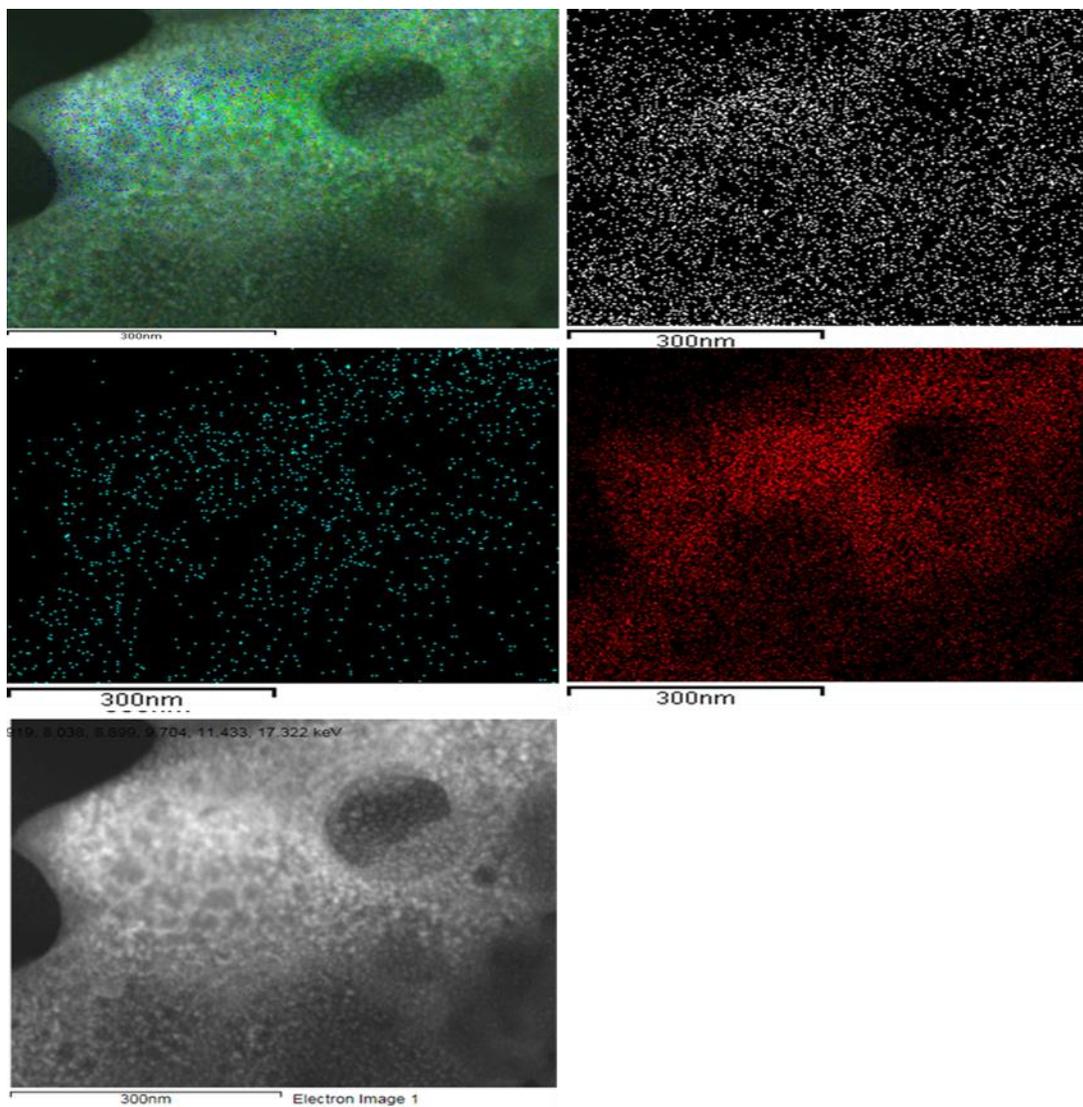


Figure S1. Electron image of the energy dispersive X-ray (EDX) for chitosan nanoparticles.

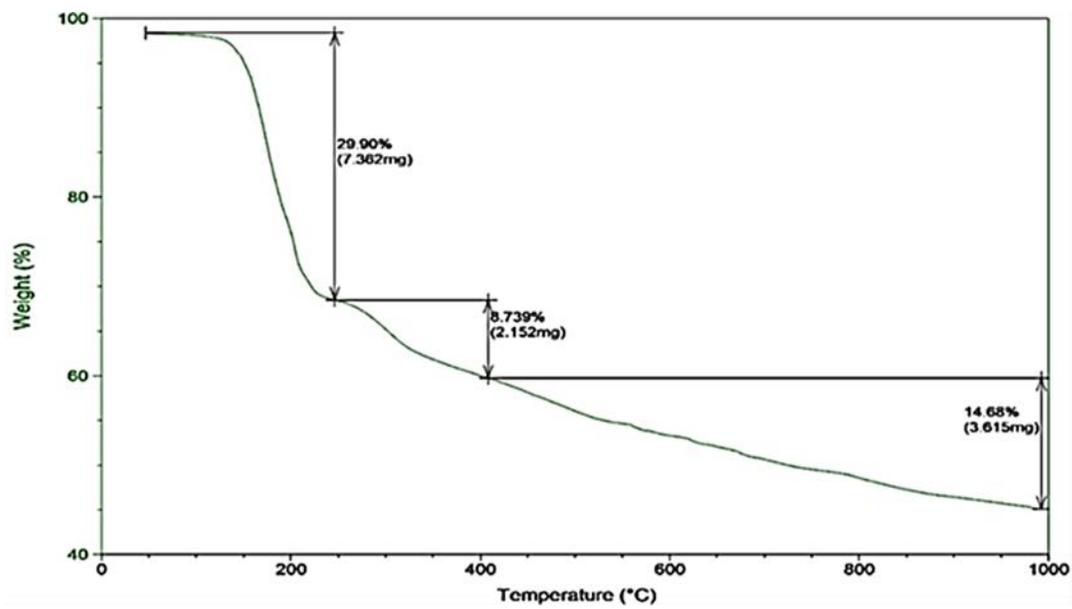


Figure S2. TGA of chitosan nanoparticles.

II. Tables

Supplementary Table S1. Physical and chemical properties of the experimental soil units during the growing seasons 2019/2020, 2020-2021.

Properties	First season	First season
Physical analysis:		
Course sand %	5.90	4.82
Find sand %	19.60	8.05
Silt %	28.20	36.60
Clay %	46.30	50.53
Texture grade	Clay	Clay
Chemical analysis:		
pH (1: 2.5)	7.8	8.0
E.C. (ds/m) (1:20)	0.16	0.22
CaCO ₃ (%)	3.14	2.13
HCO ₃ (meq/L)	1.25	1.25
Cl ⁻ (meq/L)	0.58	0.55
Ca ⁺⁺ (meq/L)	0.8	0.9
Na ⁺ (meq/L)	0.77	0.83
K ⁺ (meq/L)	0.24	0.18
Mg ⁺⁺ (meq/L)	0.2	0.2
N available (mg/kg)	247	172
P available (mg/kg)	6.0	12
K available (mg/kg)	1360	1270

Table S2. Impact of nano and mineral nitrogen fertilizers on straw yield kg/ha of two wheat cultivars during 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 seasons.

Fertilization Source (F)	First Season		Mean (F)	Second Season		Mean (F)
	Cultivar (C)			Cultivar (C)		
	Gemaiza-11	Misr-1	Gemaiza-11	Misr-1		
Untreat-control (without N) Mn-	9587±312	10565±395	10076±387 ^F	11976±380 ^f	12800±322 ^{ef}	12388±375 ^D
N (120 kg /ha)	15251±356	13753±364	14502±349 ^{DE}	12812±323 ^{ef}	14787±436 ^{cdef}	13800±382 ^{CD}
Mn-N (240 kg /ha)	15544±491	15086±342	15315±303 ^{CD}	12844±306 ^{ef}	13524±311 ^{def}	13184±366 ^D
Nan-N (7L/ha)	13778±428	13537±289	13657±259 ^E	15867±339 ^{abcde}	15315±358 ^{bcd}	15591±354 ^{BC}
Nan-N (14L/ha)	13817±325	13309±355	13563±369 ^E	16267±343 ^{abcd}	15683±367 ^{abcde}	15975±323 ^{BC}
Mn-N 120kg/ha + Nan-N 7L/ha	17499±366	15455±398	16477±343 ^C	15849±278 ^{abcde}	13906±391 ^{cdef}	14878±304 ^C
Mn-N 120kg/ha + Nan-N 14L/ha	18464±306	17145±412	17804±429 ^B	17893±352 ^{abc}	16858±382 ^{abc}	17375±415 ^{AB}
Mn-N 240kg/ha + Nan-N 7L/ha	19937±318	18045±457	18991±416 ^B	18401±424 ^{ab}	18921±437 ^a	18661±374 ^A
Mn-N 240kg/ha + Nan-N 14L/ha	22032±345	19442±377	20737±308 ^A	18585±396 ^{ab}	18261±454 ^{ab}	18423±425 ^A
Mean (C)	16212±307 ^A	15148±324 ^B		15611±327	15562±342	
ANOVA	df					
Cultivar (C)	1	0.041		0.806		

Fertilization Source	8	<0.001	<0.001
(F) F×C	8	0.450	0.049

Different uppercase letter indicates significant difference among evaluated cultivars or fertilization source at $p < 0.05$, while different lowercase letter indicates significant difference among their interaction.