

## Special Issue

# Sustainable Soil Management for Tea Plantations

### Message from the Guest Editors

Tea plantations worldwide face increasing challenges from soil degradation, acidification, and nutrient imbalances that directly impact tea yield, quality, and the sustainability of production systems. This Special Issue aims to explore innovative approaches and best practices for sustainable soil management tailored to tea cultivation environments. We invite contributions addressing critical aspects of soil health in tea plantations, including organic and inorganic fertilization strategies, soil acidification management, microbial community dynamics, and nutrient cycling. Particular emphasis will be placed on research that demonstrates the interconnections between sustainable soil management practices and tea quality parameters, environmental protection, and economic viability for tea growers. The Special Issue welcomes original research, comprehensive reviews, and case studies that advance our understanding of soil-plant interactions in tea ecosystems. By compiling cutting-edge research in this field, we aim to support the development of sustainable management systems that ensure the long-term productivity and quality of tea plantations while preserving soil resources.

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