

Table 3 Effect of mulching treatments on leaf length (cm) of onion (<i>Allium cepa</i> L.) at 30, 60, 90, and 120 days after transplanting (DAT)				
Treatments	Leaf length (cm)			
	30 DAT	60 DAT	90 DAT	120 DAT
Control	22.53b	38.91c	46.07d	30.44d
Banana leaf mulch	23.94ab	41.72bc	49.53c	34.88c
Sawdust mulch	24.27ab	43.46ab	52.71bc	37.08bc
Rice straw mulch	25.88a	46.32a	58.14a	42.37a
Plastic mulch	25.17a	45.53a	55.92ab	41.14ab
LSD ($p \leq 0.05$)	2.21*	3.14*	3.88***	4.31***
CV (%)	5.24	4.33	3.97	6.22
Grand mean	24.36	43.19	52.47	37.18
Note: Means in a column followed by different lowercase letters differ significantly at $p \leq 0.05$ (DMRT). * $p \leq 0.05$; *** $p \leq 0.001$. DAT: days after transplanting; LSD: least significant difference; CV: coefficient of variation				