Table 5 Effect of plant nutrients on mean effective leaves number of plant and first ratoon crop at different ages of banana cv. 'Grand Naine' during 2020-21 and 2021-22 at DoAR, Khajura, Banke, Nepal

Treatment	Number of effective leaves (cm)					
	30 DAP	90 DAP	150 DAP	210 DAP	270 DAP	Shooting
T1	6.67	9.25	7.83^d	6.66^d	7.54^d	11.58^d
T2	7.25	9.75	8.87^c	8.39^c	8.96^c	13.34^c
T3	7.42	10.50	11.50^a	10.92^a	11.50^a	17.00^a
T4	7.42	10.00	9.76^b	9.58^b	10.18^b	14.67^b
T5	7.33	10.25	9.95^b	9.17^{bc}	9.92^b	15.29^b
T6	6.83	9.92	9.89^b	9.17^{bc}	9.93^b	15.25^b
T7	6.83	10.50	9.92^b	9.08^{bc}	10.62^b	14.83^b
Grand mean	7.11	10.02	9.67	9.00	9.805	14.567
CV (%)	8.40	8.8	3.00	6.10	3.80	3.00
P-value	0.554	0.605	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
CD (P≤0.05)	1.061	1.560	0.5171	0.977	0.6642	0.7810
SEm±	0.487	0.716	0.2373	0.448	0.3048	0.3584

Note: CV= Coefficient of variation, CD (≤0.05) = Critical difference at probability value 0.05, Treatment means followed by common letter (s) within a column are not significantly different at 5% by DMRT, NS= Non-significant, *= Significant at 5%, **= Significant at 1%, *** = Significant at less than 0.1% level, DAP = Days after planting