

Review Form 1.6

Journal Name:	International Journal of Environment and Climate Change
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Title of the Manuscript:	Effect of nutrient and spacing on growth and biomass production in poplar under nursery condition
Type of the Article	Research

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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The effect of fertilizer is missing in the abstract "However, detail of appropriate nutrient combinations and specific amounts varies according to soil types and clones' responses to fertilization are not known" as given by author in the abstract – yet he/she must analyse the soil and identify the type of clone for basal conclusion. Not just table, graphical interpretation is necessary as in "Eisenbies, M.H., Volk, T.A., Espinoza, J., Gantz, C., Himes, A., Posselius, J., Shuren, R., Stanton, B. and Summers, B., 2017. Biomass, spacing and planting design influence cut-and-chip harvesting in hybrid poplar. <i>Biomass and Bioenergy</i>, 106, pp.182-190." In materials and methods: The representative samples - mention sample size or dimension, BGB -give expansion 	
Minor REVISION comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nursery condition during 2019 and 2020 maybe elaborated a bit. Although the condition changes with respect to year in each place and data can be collected using simple tools available at https://www.timeanddate.com/weather/india/hisar/climate In Data collection for Phospotica and Azotica – if possible mention the composition of the biofertilizer or its source. Some optimization tools can be used for the study to develop a model equation for the population The main use of the tree is in plywood and hence stem roundness may also be a parameter as in "Tun, T.N., Guo, J., Fang, S. and Tian, Y., 2018. Planting spacing affects canopy structure, biomass production and stem roundness in poplar plantations. <i>Scandinavian Journal of Forest Research</i>, 33(5), pp.464-474." Also refer papers like "Zhang, Y., Tian, Y., Ding, S., Lv, Y., Samjhana, W. and Fang, S., 2020. Growth, carbon storage, and optimal rotation in poplar plantations: A case study on clone and planting spacing effects. <i>Forests</i>, 11(8), p.842." 	
Optional/General comments	Nil	

PART 2:

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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