

### Review Form 3

Journal Name:	<a href="#">Asian Journal of Research in Agriculture and Forestry</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJRAF_124358
Title of the Manuscript:	Correlations between Tree/Shrub Diversity and Herbaceous Biomass with Soil Physico-Chemical Properties under Acacia saligna Canopy
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

#### PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	Such a study is indeed a useful contribution in the scientific community. The changes of climatic pattern affect the many aspects of our environment including biodiversity, soil, and biomass accumulation. I am very interested in this work as I have also worked on the implication of woody species diversity in the biomass and its relationship with soil. From such work, we can develop protocols for the conservation of biodiversity and ultimately give positive feedback to the global warming and climate change.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Yes, its suitable.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	Yes, its Okay	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	yes	
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	This study gives a detailed description of the correlation between biomass, biodiversity and soil nutrients. It creates a clear figure of the variation in the species' characteristics and availability of nutrients. The sampling is also designed as per standard protocol and, also depicts the clear figure of biodiversity.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	I should suggest to add some recent publications like <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/nph.17045">https://doi.org/10.1111/nph.17045</a> <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnc.2024.126734">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnc.2024.126734</a>	

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Minor REVISION comments		
<b>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</b>	Yes, but I found a few grammatical mistakes. So please check	
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	In the subsection 1.2- Sampling design and data collection , line no. 6 ..... as well as the height and dbh of individual seedlings ..... please check this line.  Overall the work is good enough and suitable for publication	

### **PART 2:**

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

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