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Journal Name:	International Journal of Environment and Climate Change
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Title of the Manuscript:	Effects of Urbanization on Soil Quality in the Rural–urban Gradient of Bengaluru, India
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback (Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
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Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	If it is suitable	
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Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	Yes, although I consider that the methodology should be declared, even if a previous article has been published, it must have its own methodology, since not everyone has read the first article.	
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Minor REVISION comments Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	Yes	
Optional/General comments	The article is publishable and even more so in the current times when construction is taking place and soil contamination is not taken into account.	

PART 2:

	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)
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