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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Education and Social Studies
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Title of the Manuscript:	The role of Information Technology in the Conservation of Intangible Cultural Heritage, at Bagamoyo Tanzania.
Type of the Article	

PART 1: 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. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	<p>Holds significant importance for the scientific community as it explores the intersection of modern technology and cultural heritage conservation.</p> <p>By focusing on the application of information technology tools, such as digital documentation, GIS, and virtual reality, in the preservation of intangible cultural heritage, the study provides valuable insights into innovative approaches for safeguarding cultural practices that are vulnerable to loss.</p> <p>This work contributes to the growing body of knowledge on the role of digital tools in cultural heritage management and offers a valuable case study for other regions facing similar challenges in heritage conservation.</p>	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	yes	
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.	<p>The abstract contains a few grammatical issues that should be addressed for improved readability. For example, phrases like "information technology in important" and "such as Digital documentation" should be revised for clarity and grammatical correctness.</p> <p>Overuse of Technical Terms:</p> <p>Logical Flow:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The abstract could benefit from a clearer structure. For example, it would be helpful to first outline the study's focus, then describe the methods, followed by key findings and recommendations in a more logical sequence. 	
Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.	The study highlights the use of digital tools such as Geographic Information Systems (GIS), 3D modeling, digital archiving, and virtual reality to document, analyze, and restore intangible cultural heritage, including oral traditions, performing arts, and rituals. By employing a case study approach and analyzing data from local stakeholders, the study provides valuable insights into the challenges and potential benefits of incorporating technology in heritage conservation.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	No need for extra references	

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<p>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Grammer mistake</p>	
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The first sentence is quite lengthy and can be broken into shorter, more digestible sentences for better readability. "Cultural heritage became widely recognized in the mid-20th century, primarily through efforts by organizations like UNESCO. UNESCO, in its 1972 Convention for the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage, defines cultural heritage as encompassing all tangible and intangible cultural expressions."</p> <p>The phrase "<i>The document further defines Tangible cultural heritage is...</i>" contains a grammatical error and should read, "<i>The document further defines tangible cultural heritage as...</i>"</p> <p>The connection between definitions of tangible and intangible heritage could be smoother. Consider adding a transitional sentence that ties the two concepts together before diving into their specific definitions.</p> <p>The reference to "Huang & Chen, 20219" appears to contain a typographical error. It should likely be "2021" or another correct year.</p> <p>Several sentences are lengthy, making them difficult to follow. Breaking them into smaller sentences would improve readability.</p> <p>Example: "<i>Information technology in intangible cultural heritage information collection, storage, processing, and cultural communication, through digital transformation, makes the damaged culture recover and lost culture reappear...</i>" is overly complex and could be simplified.</p> <p>"Suárezet al., 2019" should be "Suárez et al., 2019."</p> <p>While Tanzania is mentioned near the end, most of the paragraph is generalized. If the study focuses on Tanzania, this should be emphasized earlier for coherence.</p> <p>The paragraph could benefit from better organization. The discussion moves between acquisition, protection, dissemination, and challenges without clear transitions.</p> <p>For example, the first sentence introduces acquisition and recording methods, but the second sentence immediately discusses protection methods. Consider grouping related ideas.</p> <p>Phrases like "<i>provides a lot of new acquisition and recording means</i>" are awkward. Consider revising to "<i>introduces innovative methods for acquisition and recording.</i>" <i>"Provides many new protections means"</i> should be corrected to "<i>offers numerous innovative protection methods.</i>"</p> <p>The phrase "<i>to use modern scientific and technological means such as digital multimedia to record, systematically and comprehensively precious, endangered and historical value intangible cultural heritage</i>" is overly long and could be simplified.</p> <p>Some sentences are overly long and complex, making them difficult to follow. For instance: <i>"Based on the unified platform of digital media, the digital museum integrates the intangible cultural heritage information of various media forms..."</i> could be simplified for better readability.</p> <p>Minor grammatical issues, such as missing articles (e.g., "the" in "<i>the construction of national digital library</i>") and misplaced commas, need correction.</p> <p>The paragraph ends abruptly, without synthesizing the discussion or proposing actionable steps.</p>	

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<p>Replace phrases like <i>"can better sort out, collect and record"</i> with more concise alternatives, e.g., <i>"effectively organize, collect, and preserve."</i></p> <p>The text could benefit from clearer transitions between ideas. For example, the discussion of the challenges of inheriting ICH (e.g., conflicts with modernization) should logically precede solutions like digital reproduction and virtualization.</p> <p>Terms like <i>"symbolization of intangible cultural heritage"</i> and <i>"real touching character model creation technology"</i> need clearer explanations to make them accessible to a broader audience.</p> <p>There are minor grammatical errors, such as <i>"passed down through long-term practice"</i> being repeated and awkwardly phrased.</p> <p>References like <i>"Huang & Chen, 20219"</i> appear to have typographical errors.</p> <p>Grammar error <i>This study employed a case study design as the framework for data collection and analysis because it is a better way of intensive examination of a single case</i> can be improved for clarity. Consider rephrasing as: <i>"This study employed a case study design for data collection and analysis, as it allows for an in-depth examination of a single case" (Bryman, 2012).</i></p> <p>Missing punctuation: <i>"The study was done at Bagamoyo..."</i> needs a comma after the citation: <i>"...Tanzania, with a lot of historic backgrounds, including buildings such as forts, temples, landscapes, objects, and buildings (Lerise F., 2004)."</i></p> <p>Flow Between Sections:</p> <p>The transition from the methodology to the findings could be improved. A clearer link between how the methodology relates to the presentation of findings would provide a more seamless structure. For example, instead of starting with the definition of ICH immediately after the methodology, consider introducing the findings in relation to the participants' responses.</p> <p>Data Presentation Details:</p> <p>While the use of SPSS and percentages is mentioned, there could be more insight into how the data analysis specifically linked to the research questions. For example, how were the frequencies and percentages used to interpret the role of information technology in ICH preservation?</p> <p>Typographical and Punctuation Errors:</p> <p>There are some typographical errors that need correction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <i>"werelow"</i> should be <i>"were low"</i>○ <i>"ratedtomore"</i> should be <i>"rated to more"</i>○ <i>"general Public"</i> should be lowercase, i.e., <i>"general public"</i> <p>Improving Linkage Between Findings and Citations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• While the references to previous studies are valuable, the connection between the survey findings and the cited research could be made more explicit. For instance, after discussing the results of the survey, you could write:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Suggested Addition: <i>"These findings align with Alivizatou et al.'s (2020) study, which emphasized that information technology, particularly tools like audio and video recording, is vital for documenting intangible cultural heritage. The moderate level of agreement in Statement 3 further reflects the growing recognition of IT's role in preserving oral traditions, as highlighted by Chang and Lee (2020)."</i>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This creates a more direct connection between your findings and the referenced studies, improving the overall coherence. <p>· Typographical and Stylistic Corrections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the sentence "Statement 3 posted a more moderate agree perspective," the phrase "moderate agree perspective" is grammatically awkward. It would be clearer to say "moderate agreement" or "a more moderate level of agreement." • Ensure that all studies are cited consistently. For instance, "Chang and Lee (2020)" should be in the same format as "Alivizatou et al. (2020)." <p>Grammar and Style Improvements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The phrase "salvaging critically endangered and threatened built heritage assets" could be simplified to avoid repetition of similar terms. Instead of "salvaging," consider using terms like "preserving" or "protecting," which might flow more naturally. <p>Addressing Broader Challenges:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It would be beneficial to mention how the technological recommendations address specific challenges like urbanization and climate change, which are briefly alluded to in the introduction. Since urbanization and climate change are significant threats to heritage conservation, the recommendations could explicitly highlight how digital tools help mitigate these challenges. 	
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PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(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)</i>
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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