

Review Form 3

Journal Name:	International Journal of Environment and Climate Change
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJECC_128771
Title of the Manuscript:	Trace metals in cocoa soils exposed to illegal gold panning in central west Côte d'Ivoire.
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PART 1: Comments

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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.	Trace element at higher concentrations or above the permissible limit produce toxic impact on plant and immediate environment. This manuscript nicely examined, analysed and explained the tolerable limit of trace element on cocoa farming. Soil degradation, illegal gold panning, TM and cocoa farming role was well highlighted.	
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