

# Review of: "Research question: What effect does vegetation have on sound pollution in Delhi?"

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The theme of the paper is interesting but, unfortunately, the description of the work, the scientific approach and the discussion of results are not clear. In general, the paper is not scientifically sound.

In my opinion, authors need to (at least):

- improve the background, citing updated references that must be reported in the reference section. Some papers now cited in the background section (i.e. HUDDART,1990, Acoust (2008) and others) are not reported.
- clearly explicit the aim of the work.
- in the methodology section Authors have to describe the instruments used, the wind speed and direction, the distance of the sampling from the vegetation, the number of measurements, the species and the dimension of the plants. An aerial image (for example from Google Earth) can be showed to describe the location and the presented sketches are not clear. I recommend carrying out the sampling according to the ISO standard and reporting the data of sound pressure in dB(A) and the frequency in Hz.
- the conclusions are missing because the few lines reported must be moved in the background section.