

# Review of: "Social and Environmental Drivers of Black-Necked Crane (BNC) Habitat Suitability in Bhutan: Insights from Maxent Modelling and Conservation Implications"

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The paper provides valuable information on habitat selection by the Black-necked Crane in Bhutan, a species of high conservation priority. The country has been evaluated in detail using all sorts of available geographic data, and places with higher habitat preferences have been identified. I suggest that the authors add to this paper another, most important map of Bhutan, showing areas proposed as nature reserves for the Black-necked Crane based on the authors' findings. These proposed nature reserves should be shown also in a large scale on maps to see their proposed boundaries. I know from my own experience that if authors suggest such reserves and their boundaries, the project will have much higher chances to succeed (actually, such was the purpose of this whole project: creation of conservation areas for the endangered crane).