

Review of: "Ecological diversity, structure and exploitation of rattan stands according to a disturbance gradient around the Nkoltang forest, Estuary province of Gabon"

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Dear Editor,

After careful appraisal of the manuscript, please find my comments below.

The title captures the focus of the research, even as the scope of the research is well tailored to address a key research problem. The study should give a more solid background on ecological diversity. Furthermore, the study should make a comparative analysis of other techniques and reveal the comparative advantage of this approach. The background information in the introduction is well composed but contains claims that need to be referenced as an authority to back up such claims.

Discussion on the findings should be further corroborated with literature to showcase that the study is an investigation, even as the report needs procedural pictures of the original research. Furthermore, conclusions on the empirical findings should be drawn from deep studies to safely nail the findings. Recommendations for further study should also be highlighted, especially since the study created many open questions.

The study has broadly contributed to knowledge in the field; the result is worthy of note and opens up insight for further studies. Consequentially, this is much needed for applications in the modern world. Kindly ensure that revealed improvements are made before publication.

Warm regards,



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