

# Review of: "Urban Agroecosystems in Dynamic Yamuna River Sandbars in Delhi, Capital City of India"

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The study undertaken to examine agricultural diversity, agroecosystems, and agronomics on two sandbars in the Yamuna River in New Delhi. This type of study is very important as the agricultural products are being consumed by the most important city of India, i.e., the Capital. Further, as agricultural operations are undertaken inside a river bed, it is also very important to consider the effect on the river ecosystem. The authors nicely described the findings and established linkages between the socio-economic aspects and the sandbar ecosystem. The following few improvements would make the article more worthy for a wide readership:

1. The English writing needs to be improved a little bit.
2. Colour images would make it easier for readers to distinguish among various land types.
3. Only the farm inputs have been mentioned in the results. The final sale value or turnover may make it more meaningful.
4. Figures 11 and 12 are the same.
5. The farm inputs include synthetic chemicals like fertilizers, pesticides, etc., which are very detrimental to the river ecosystem and to humans also. Some studies in past years have reported the presence of heavy metals in vegetables grown in that particular area. Hence, it would have been great if the authors could describe some future prospects in this aspect in the discussion or conclusion section.

The overall findings are well noted, and further study needs to be carried out in detail, along with strategies for the conservation of this fragile landscape.