

# Review of: "Land Size Class Wise Growth of Crop Diversification Index: A Case Study From Murshidabad District of West Bengal"

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The study analyses the spatiotemporal changes in the crop diversification index across different land size class categories at the block level in Murshidabad district during 1995-96 to 2015-16. The paper is well-written. However, a few suggestions are:

1. In the Introduction part, author/s should provide a strong rationale for studying the diversification index as per land size. It is important to justify why land size is important.
2. The study provides an increasing trend of crop diversification in the district. I suggest the author/s should explain the factors that led to this increase (Are there any policy initiatives or socio-economic factors like enhancement in education level or institutional factors like technical advice given to farmers, infrastructure facilities, or any other factor causing this change).
3. Across land size categories, the marginal and small land holdings report dominance improvement in the district. It is suggested that if this aspect can be explained more clearly, and that too block-wise, providing details about diversified crops.
4. The author/s should provide whether their results are in conformity with the literature available in this study area or not.