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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Chemical Sciences
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# **PART 1:** Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	1. Authors need to recheck the punctuations and Capitalisation of word usages.  -PG 2 line 70-72: "Iron" (II) nitrates and "Lead" do not need to be in capital letter.  2. Author should follow the biology rule of using the plant species name. Ficus asperifolia at first usage and F. asperifolia thereafter.  3. Section 2.1 to 2.4 can be combined and summarised briefly. Date of obtaining stembark is no required and can be omitted.  4. Pg3 Line 96-97. Authors need to be consistent when using a particular term. Either lead (ii) nitrate or lead nitrate, but don't use both of them simultaneously.  5. Pg3line 105: For the instrument, authors need to provide the manufacturer and the model type. (for example: PerkinElmer PinAAcle 900T Atomic Absorption Spectrometer). Serial number is not required.  6. Please combine sections 2.6, 2.7, 2.8. 2.9. and 2.10 into a single section.  7. is effects of ph, ionic strength, contact time carried out at 200 ppm?  8. Figure 1 caption is wrong. "ions", not "irons".  9. Figure 2. Why is copper graph begin with 99% and then drop to 96% over time?	
Minor REVISION comments	Please check the format of the reference list.  Journal names some were abbreviate and some were not. Ref13. Mispelled "Desalination"	
Optional/General comments	Generally in adsorption work, the adsorption capacity at equilibrium (qe) should be used, and also with the inclusion of isotherm and kinetics models to describe the adsorption processes.	

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