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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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	<p>The methodology section of the paper is well written, orderly and well presented. However, the author(s) must provide enough justifications to support the choice of the methods used by the researcher (interview? What kind of interview, Random sampling, structured questionnaire and so forth). Please, back your justifications with sound literary sources.</p> <p>The first two recommendations though are feasible, it fails to task implementation agencies and/or actors that would ensure their fruitful implementation.</p>	<p>Agreed</p> <p>The respondents were selected randomly. Information was collected from the respondents by interview method with the aid of structured questionnaire as seen on line number 148-150.</p> <p>Agreed and corrected.</p>
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Please, provide enough clarification and information on this section 'Problems facing the collectors of non timber forest products' under the discussions of the findings from the study. The authors must explain ways that the local people have adopted to mitigate the identified problems and why they were not successful.	The problems facing the collectors of NTFPs were only identified during the survey. Ways adopted by the local people to mitigate the identified problems were not captured during the survey. The main occupation of the respondents was crop farming and trading while NTFPs collection serves as minor occupation. This could be as a result of the restricted access to the forest and seasonality of the products (NTFPs)
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	The study addresses important issue in ensuring sustainable alternative sources of livelihood for local people living in forest fringe communities via NTFPs. The determinants of the collection of NTFPs, their conservation and challenges espoused in the paper are of great value and needs to be published. This would broaden the scope of knowledge in the effective management of NTFPs in forest reserves and other PA systems globally.	Agreed