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| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | Although I am not a nematode specialist, I am familiar with earthworm ecology and their relationship with other organisms and vegetation. This study presents scientific evidence which could be useful to farmers in their future planting plans. This manuscript would make a positive significant contribution to the agroforestry scientifc literature. |  |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?**  **(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | Yes with minor additions in yellow  **DIVERSITY OF NEMATODES AND EARTHWORMS ASSOCIATED WITH TROPICAL TREES IN AN AFRICAN ARBORETUM** | Necessary correction has been made as suggested |
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