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Journal Name:	International Journal of Environment and Climate Change
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Title of the Manuscript:	Perceived Climate Resilience and Adoption of Cocoa Agroforestry in the Forest-Savannah Transition Zone of Ghana
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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	Define how you have selected households, whether they include different farmers who adopted cocoa agroforestry in different years?  Mention the crop phases that you have visited the field?  What are the agroforestry trees planted or exisiting in the cocoa farm?  What could be the appropriate density per ha?  What is the difference in yield, by-product and income among the agroforestry and full-sun grown field?  What level of education has significant influence?  In what phase social network is helpful? (Cultivation or marketing)  You have mentioned that, surveyed 240 households belong to 12 communities but there is no views of them in the result and discussion sections.	
Minor REVISION comments  •	The main reason (76.19%) was the perception that shade trees increase vulnerability to drought and low yield (Section 3.2). Unclear or contradictory The perception that shade trees enhance vulnerability to drought was probably because cocoa farmers in the study area were generally maintaining inappropriate shade trees (Section 3.3, para 3). Confusing statement. The area experiences total annual rainfall of 1100 to 1400 mm, and an average temperature of 17 to 33°C [Error! Reference source not found.] (Section 2.1). It appears the study area receives good amount of rainfall and the temperature is moderate over the years. Correlate farmers perception with climatic parameters	
Optional/General comments  •	Many statements looks general not substantiated with field data Strengthen the methodology section	

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)	

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