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**PART 2:**

**FINAL EVALUATOR’S comments on revised paper (if any)**

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Although the manuscript has been substantially improved by the authors with respect to the original version, I still have several comments on the manuscript.

1/ Figures 3.1 to 3.6 - the format of the column graphs should be the same in all figures - the format of the figures should be narrow column graphs with spaces between the columns. Moreover, in all figures, significant differences between the samples should be indicated by different letters based on statistical analysis.

2/ Regarding statistical analysis, I appreciate addition of Appendix I and Appendix II to the manuscript; however, in Appendix I, I do not understand why the correlation matrices are not symmetrical, i.e., why the number of rows is lower than the number of columns and the first sample shown in columns (PCP and NaFS, respectively) is missing in the rows. The manufacturer of the statistical program SPSS used in the analyses should be specified in Materials and methods, 2.5 Statistical treatment of data (line 106).

3/ I still have several comments regarding English language, spelling and style. In all figure legends, the word “vegetave” should be corrected to “vegetative” and a space should be inserted between the words “and” and “Rafin Yashi”

Abstract, line 10: Correct the verb form in the sentence “The study was designed to assess the levels of metals…”

Abstract, Line 15: Modify the verb form “were” to “was” in the sentence “The level of significance differences was determined at p ≤ 0.05.”

Introduction, line 29: Modify “Africans” to “African” in the words “African cultural heritage”

Line 32: Insert “an” before the words “important role”, i.e., “an important role in human diet”

Line 33: Insert a comma before the word “especially”

Line 45: Insert the word “it” in the sentence “could help prevent major diseases”, i.e., “it could help prevent major diseases”

Line 55: Remove a comma after the word “it” and add the word “agent” to the sentence “The vitamin C present in it is an anti-oxidant and anti-inflammatory agent which…”

Lines 57, 58: Write “it is” instead of “it’s”

Line 58: Remove a comma after the word “okra” in the sentence “Some researchers have shown that eating okra lowers the risk of cataracts…”

Lines 69, 83, 86, 99, 198: Insert a space between a number and a corresponding unit in “10%” and “HN03”, “1” and “g”, “100” and “cm^2”, “1” and “hour”, “10” and “ml”, “100” and “mg”, respectively

Line 117: Split the long sentence into two shorter ones, i.e., “…the FP sample of the
sampling point." - first sentence; "This clearly indicates that..." - the second sentence
Line 118: Modify the singular form of the verb “is” to the plural form “are” in the sentence "...that the levels of Ca in the vegetative part of the samples are attributed to other factors...."
Lines 121, 122: Add corresponding numbers to the references “Ibanga and Akon? (or Okon? according to the reference list) [12] and „Bello et al. [13]”
Line 128: Insert a space between the two sentences - [14]: “and “Calcium....”
Lines 131, 150, 169, 211: Use a plural form of the verb “were” in the sentence “The concentrations of Ca (Fe, K, Mg, P) were significantly...”
Line 152: Start a new sentence with “This apparently indicates...”
Line 165: Use a singular form of the verb “ranges” in the sentence “The recommended daily intake of Mg ranges from...”
Lines 166: Correct the term “protein photosynthesis” to “protein biosynthesis”
Line 171: Use rather “between” instead of “among” in the sentence “...and were significantly positively correlated between the samples and metals...”
Line 180: Use a capital “P” for phosphorus since it is a chemical element.
Line 207: Correct the word form “is dependent”
Line 208: Start a new sentence with “High level of clay...”
Line 225: Insert the word “of” after the verb “consist” in the sentence “Vegetables and fruit diet consists of a large amount of Na-salt...”
Line 231: Split the long sentence into shorter ones - start a new sentence with the words “The recommended daily intake of Na ranges from...” - use “ranges” instead of “range” since the subject “intake” is in a singular form

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