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Dear Dr. Miftahul Ilmi,

I am pleased to submit our manuscript entitled “[**Sustainability of newly introduced crop plants is affected by the accumulation of leaf litters and allelochemicals in the soil – A review**]” by [**I Gede Ketut Adiputra**] for consideration as a *Journal of Tropical Biodiversity and Biotechnology* research article.

In this manuscript, we show that 1. Substantial amount of leaf litter produces by trees in agroforestry plantation and contributed to sustainability of soil organic carbon which is very important for soil health. 2. However, the soil organic carbon could decrease soil pH and increased the impact of allelochemical. 3. For improving crop production, addition of biochar or charcoal is regarded important to increase soil pH and reduce the impact of allelochemical.].

We believe that our paper is appropriate for publication by *Journal of Tropical Biodiversity and Biotechnology* because it is [**specific link to the journal’s aims & scope**]. [**Our manuscript creates an important information for future studies on the sustainability of crop production**]

This manuscript has not been published before and is not being considered for publication elsewhere. We have no conflicts of interest to disclose.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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