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CHAPTER I: INTRODUCTION (max. 8 pages)

Include the background on the subject of the study, description of the site when relevancy (maps and photographs preferably in Annex), short information on the need to conduct this study, Objective(s) of the study and limitations of the study under appropriate subheadings.

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CHAPTER II: LITERATURE REVIEW (max.5 pages)

Give only the relevant literatures you have consulted. Information can be grouped under appropriate Subheadings.

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CHAPTER III: MATERIALS AND METHODS (max. 5 pages)

3.1 Study area with detail description of study sites, maps (with scale)
3.2 Methods adopted to collect field information (schedule and checklist in the appendix); laboratory requirements / conditions and detail procedures of sample analysis in the lab; data analysis and statistical tools used. Ways of data /information presentation.

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CHAPTER IV: RESULTS (max. 30 pages)

Present the highlights of the results in the text under appropriate subheading and illustrate the data either in tables or graphs (avoid the repetition of data / information in text, graph and also in table); Results of statistical analysis of the data should also be shown in the graphs or tables as appropriate.

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CHAPTER V: DISCUSSION (max. 8 pages)

Compare your findings with those from the literatures; refer only that information which is relevant to your study and findings. Give your opinion and justify your observation and findings with the help of hypothesis, literatures and scientific statements.

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CHAPTER VI: CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS (max. 3 pages)

6.1 Conclusion (3/4 of the page)

6.2 Recommendation (when necessary categorize the recommendation to different levels: policy makers, implementers, stakeholders, etc.)
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REFERENCES: (List all the references in alphabetical order (ascending order)).

ANNEX

All the primary data can be given here in tabular form under different annexes; Appropriate photographs can be given here with proper reference in the text (in chapters 1-5); the maps and other information, which are not your own work, can be inserted here. Also, the formats of schedules, questionnaires or checklist are better to include in this section.
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