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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		
Minor REVISION comments	<p>Make a figure with average levels of heavy metals in fish samples (table 2)</p> <p>Please correct :</p> <p>Results of the study conducted as shown in Table 2 above reveals that copper level in the investigated fish samples ranges as follows; Damsel fish (27.10- 30.88 mg/kg), Cat fish (24.00- 30.36 mg/kg), Tilapia fish (13.02-33.56 mg/kg), Dat fish (24.20-25.12 mg/kg) and Cling fish (27.10-30.77 mg/kg). A trend of mean concentrations of copper in mg/kg can be written as Tilapia (23.29 mg/kg) < Dat (24.66 mg/kg) < Cat (27.18 mg/kg) < Damsel = Cling (28.99 mg/kg). These mean values were found to have been higher than some standard permissible limits like WHO (3.0 mg/kg), FEPA (1.3 mg/kg), EU (2008) (1.0 mg/kg) and those reported in <i>Cyprinus Carpio</i> and <i>Pelteobagrus Fluridraco</i> [23], <i>L.Coubie</i> and <i>M. Tapirus</i> [31]. Indo-pacific king Mackerel and Tiger tooth Crocker [48].</p> <p>Please correct :</p> <p>Chromium another environmental pollutant showed an increasing trend in mg/kg as follows, Cling fish (0.32 mg/kg) < Cat fish (0.88 mg/kg) < Dat fish (1.27 mg/kg) < Tilapia fish (1.74 mg/kg) < Damsel fish (2.61 mg/kg).</p> <p>Levels of zinc in the investigated fish recorded least minimum value of 45.56 mg/kg in Cat fish and highest value of 79.55 mg/kg in Damsel and Cling fishes. A trend of decrease in mean values of zinc in the investigated fish samples can be seen as; Cat fish (45.56 mg/kg) < Dat fish (60.44 mg/kg) < Tilapia fish (61.37 mg/kg) < Damsel fish = Cling fish (79.55 mg/kg). These mean values are also higher than some permissible limits of Indonesia maximum limits of metals in food (Table 2) and some literature studies [30, 31].</p>	<p>Authors prefer the use of tables for easy comparison with permissible limits of some regulatory bodies.</p> <p>Corrections have been made. Check corrected version of the manuscript.</p> <p>Corrections have been made. Check corrected version of the manuscript.</p>
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PART 2:

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