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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Research
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJFAR_46894
Title of the Manuscript:	LENGTH -WEIGHT RELATIONSHIP AND CONDITION FACTOR OF 26 FISH SPECIES CAUGHT BY CAST NET IN NEW CALABAR RIVER, NIGERIA
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Title: Suggested title 'Length-weight relationship and condition factor of fish species in New Calabar river, Nigeria.'	
	Abstract : It's always expected that different species have different total and standard lengths.	
	Conclude by letting us know the implications of the values derived and compare with previous data if any	
	Materials and methods: why the choice of the stations at the study sites? Which identification tool was used to identify fishes? What type of analysis will be employed in analysing your data? State the scatter diagram also plotted for the species as part of data analysis.	
	Results: increase scale of graph as data points seems to cluster at the top sides of the scatter diagram	
	Discussion: this could be modified a bit and compared with previous studies as what stated seems too weak	
Minor REVISION comments	Introduction: provide references for some concrete statements	
	Materials and methods: check the formula for the length-weight relationship and the condition factor	
	The dominant species caught needs to be stated in relevant abundance	
	Calculate condition factor for same species but not different species	
	References: most of the references/literature consulted are outdated. Kindly look for current ones. Follow journal style of referencing	

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Fish sampling: for stock assessment purposes you need at least 12 months/ 1 year sampling data	
Results: kindly consider graphical representations of the results e.g. for species abundance	
All abbreviations used in the study must first be defined	
Not enough references were consulted. Read more on the subject for more information.	
Some general comments can be found in the original manuscript	

PART 2:

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

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