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| Journal Name:            | Current Journal of Applied Science and Technology  |
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| Manuscript Number:       | Ms_CJAST_47666   |
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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) |
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| <u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments | The manuscript presents a local study of PAHs is water samples, which is of interest for the environmental sciences. However, this is required to made major changes:   |   |
|                                     | The Introduction section of the manuscript requires extensive revision. The authors need to expand the review of literature that is relevant to their study and the scientific contribution must be clarify. The aim of the study needs to be properly highlighted and selection of PAHs must be justified. |   |
|                                     | L15 Please, it should be used "showed" instead of "gave" L58 please, it should be used " <i>n</i> -hexane" instead of "hexane" L52 It must be provided the criteria for site selection L57 It must be briefly provided the conditions and technique used for both extraction and                            |   |
|                                     | purification<br>L60 It must be provided chromatographic conditions and merit figures ( <i>r</i> , limit of detection, limit of quantification, precision, accuracy, recovery etc.) How were corrected the interferences?  |   |
|                                     | L64 The Results and Discussion section must be improved. This must be presented more clearly and discussed properly. A statistical analysis should be used to justify results.  L66 title should be as table header  L78 to 83 Those paragraph should be included on Introduction section                   |   |
|                                     | L87 The concentrations reported are very high, some of those values found are higher than solubility than compounds at water.  L106 please, units must be provided L115 please, use "PAHs" instead of "Pahs"  |   |
|                                     | L131 please, I think that "imput" must be corrected L162 It is advisable that conclusions agree with results and the discussion of the work itself L167 Please, it should be used "in order" instead of "inorder"   |   |
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