NHESS-2024-101 final proofreading CE2 and TS2 comments – explanatory documents

Dear Marleen de Ruiter,

In response to the copy editor and type setter requests (comments CE2 and TS2), please see the minor requested change below and our justification:

Please delete the following sentences:

"To illustrate the spatial distribution of socially marginalised communities in one region of the Kathmandu Valley, Fig. 1 presents six informal settlements, with a total population of 7270 people in 2019 (Khanal and Khanal, 2022), out of 53 informal settlements that are documented in the valley (DUDBC, 2010). Within the Kathmandu Valley, 35 of 53 (66 %) informal settlements are located along the banks of significant river corridors like the Bagmati (Fig. 1)."

Please replace with the following sentences:

"To illustrate the spatial distribution of socially marginalised communities in one region of the Kathmandu Valley, Fig. 1 presents six informal settlements, out of 65 in the valley as of 2019 (Khanal and Khanal, 2022). Within the Kathmandu Valley, the majority of informal settlements are located along the banks of significant river corridors like the Bagmati (Fig. 1)."

This change was requested as we could not find the original source of the reference (DUDBC, 2010) from the Department of Urban Development and Building Construction, Government of Nepal, likely due to the report being available in the Nepali language only. To rectify this, we deleted the information about informal settlements in Kathmandu Valley from (DUDBC, 2010) and replaced it with more up-to-date information from (Khanal and Khanal, 2022) which more accurately illustrates the present situation regarding informal settlements in the valley.

Additionally, please could you also forward to the copy editor our request to change any occurrence of "single-hazard" to "single hazard" in the short summary and public statement.

Thank you very much.

Best wishes,

Harriet Thompson and the co-authorship team