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8	Chapter 1 Introduction	Problem, rationale, significance, objectives, hypotheses	1.10
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13	Chapter 6 Results and Discussion	Findings in tables and graphs, comparison with earlier studies, implications, limitations, suggestions, future scope	1.10
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Chapter shells with empty tables

Chapter 3: data inventory

Data	Sensor or source	Date(s)	Resolution	Link	Accessed on
[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

Frame: "Table 3.1 lists the [number] datasets used. Satellite data were downloaded from [source] on [date]; ground truth was collected on [dates] at [number] points."

Chapter 5: sample allocation and error matrix

Map class (stratum)	Mapped share W	Expected user's accuracy	Points planned	Points visited
[class 1]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
[class 2]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Total	1.00		[ ]	[ ]

Map \ Reference	[class 1]	[class 2]	Total	User's accuracy
[class 1]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
[class 2]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Total	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	
Producer's accuracy	[ ]	[ ]		Overall: [ ]

Frame: "The overall accuracy of the [year] map is [ ] (95 per cent confidence interval [ ] to [ ]); the user's accuracy of [class] is [ ] and its producer's accuracy is [ ]."

Chapter 6: results by year

Year	Mapped area (sq km)	Area-adjusted estimate (sq km)	95% CI	Comparison measure
[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

Frame for a hypothesis decision: "Spearman's rho between [variable 1] and [variable 2] is [ ] (p = [ ]); hence $H_0$1 is [rejected / retained]."

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