## Retraction

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## Retraction: Status of Exotic Flora in Kashmir Valley

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The Editorial Board of The Journal of Forest and Environmental Science (JFES) received a report on December 12, 2021, from Dr. Shabana Aslam, Cluster National University. The original paper titled 'Exotic Ornamental Flora of Kashmir Valley-An overview' was published in New York Science Journal 2010: 3(5).

Research Ethics Integrity Committee of Institute of Forest Science, Kangwon National University had found the significant falsifications in the paper.

Accordingly, the Editorial Board of The Journal of Forest and Environmental Science (JFES) conducted several board meetings, external expert audits, and received author's explanations. The author (Murtaza Shah) admitted the plagiarism and expressed apology. Based on the discussion, the Editorial Board of JFES finally decided to retract the paper "Status of exotic flora in Kashmir valley", and the retraction decision was notified to the relevant researchers and institutions.

We, the Editorial Board of JFES seriously take this research ethics violation. We genuinely apologize to the reviewers, editors who devoted their time and endeavor to evaluate the article and the forest and environmental science community.