

Biomass and carbon accumulation in Northern Bangladesh *Eucalyptus* plantations: Effects of stand structure and age

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Abstract. Dey T, Islam MDA, Jubair SMR. 2022. Biomass and carbon accumulation in Northern Bangladesh *Eucalyptus* plantations: Effects of stand structure and age. *Asian J For* 6: 126-132. *Eucalyptus* plantations are a significant carbon sink as a fast-growing species in Bangladesh, but little is known regarding biomass, carbon output, and dynamics with stand age. We, therefore, assessed the stand structure, biomass accumulation, carbon storage, and their changing patterns with age in *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* Dehnh. plantations in the northern part of Bangladesh in early 2021. Biomass and carbon stocks were estimated using the allometric models specific for *E. camaldulensis* from the biophysical tree parameters (i.e., height and DBH). We used the data from 45 sample plots (100 sq. m each) covering different age classes such as 2, 5, 7, 8, 11, 13, and 21 years. The aboveground, belowground, total biomass, and carbon significantly varied between stand ages ($p < 0.05$). The highest aboveground, belowground, and total carbon stocks were observed at 21 years, and the lowest was found at two years. We observed a positive and strong relationship between total carbon and stand variables such as stand height, diameter at breast height, basal area, crown width, crown length, and bole height but a negative relationship with density. The mean annual increment of both biomass and carbon increased sharply up to seven years and then decreased. Despite having some ecological constraints, *E. camaldulensis* accumulate a large amount of carbon from the atmosphere, perhaps aiding climate change mitigation.

Keywords: Age, biomass, carbon accumulation, *Eucalyptus camaldulensis*, and stands structure

INTRODUCTION

Carbon dioxide (CO₂) levels in the atmosphere are assumed to have played a substantial role in climate change and come from power generation (38%), transportation (26.56%), building (8.07%), industries (24.76%), and agriculture (1.81%) (Canadell et al. 2007; Yoro and Daramola 2020). The essential strategy for combating climate change is to reduce CO₂ and emissions of other greenhouse gas (IPCC 2001). Through vegetation, forests help mitigate the greenhouse impact by absorbing CO₂ from the atmosphere (Du et al. 2015; Wirabuana et al. 2021). As trees are good carbon sequesters, planted forests (plantations) are regarded as a mitigating tool against the expected rise in atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations (Sands et al. 1999; Kurz et al. 2009). Also, reduce the impact of natural forest exploitation (negative impacts) (Evans and Turnbull 2004; Kaul et al. 2010; Payn et al. 2015).

In the tropics and subtropics, plantation forestry has focused on a small number of colonizing species with a rapid growth rate, such as *Acacia*, *Eucalyptus*, *Gmelina*, *Pinus*, *Tectona*, and *Populus* (Evans 1992; Harwood and Nambiar 2014). Among these, *Eucalyptus* is well-known for its quick growth, socio-economic and medicinal value, and value as a cash crop due to the availability of wood, particularly for timber and biomass fuel (Dessie and Erkossa 2011; Khan et al. 2020). *Eucalyptus camaldulensis*

Dehnh is one of the most common tree species in the village zone of Bangladesh (MoEFCC 2018), meeting a critical demand for residential fuelwood, poles, and posts (Ahmed and Akhter 1995). Plantations in tropical and temperate climates contain significant carbon reserves (Malhi et al. 2008), and fast-growing forest plantations are regarded as very effective carbon sinks that can help reduce the rise in CO₂ levels in the atmosphere (Coleman 2018; Bhattacharya 2019). When plantation forestry is conducted using superior silvicultural techniques, its carbon productivity (Mg ha⁻¹ yr⁻¹) exceeds that of natural forests (Lal and Singh, 2000; Baishya et al. 2009). Aboveground carbon stocks have been paid attention for years because they are easy to quantify, either through direct ground observations like field allometric equations or derived results from remote sensing like vegetation index maps (Santantonio et al. 1977; Robinson 2007). Climate, location, land use systems, stand age, plantation structure, and silvicultural methods are the primary determinants of carbon stocks in forest biomass pools (Guo and Gifford 2002; Kaul et al. 2010; Kumar et al. 2016), and generally, plant biomass increases gradually with stand age following long normal distribution (Kumar et al. 2021).

Research of above- and belowground carbon dynamics according to stand age during the normal rotation cycle is essential for a better understanding of the processes that reduced the carbon storage in plantations and recommending effective management of carbon storage. Furthermore, a deeper understanding of these plantations

could help with carbon assessments at the regional, national, and global levels due to their importance. Therefore, in this study, we compared total carbon in a *Eucalyptus* plantation at seven stages of development (age 2, 5, 7, 8, 11, 13, and 21 years).

Furthermore, this study would answer the following questions: (i) How do aboveground and belowground biomass and carbon change as a function of stand age (ii) How do above- and belowground biomass and carbon differ depending on their stand structure. Therefore, this study hypothesized that as stand age increased, the biomass and carbon storage of *E. camaldulensis* would show divergent trends and that the contribution of tree biomass to total carbon would rise significantly over time. This study also hypothesized that total carbon has a significant positive relationship with a diameter at 130 cm (DBH), density, basal area, stand height, crown length, crown width, and tree bole height. Inventory data were combined and analyzed to answer the study questions and test the hypotheses. The age-wise contribution to carbon stocks and the relationship between total carbon and stand structure (e.g., mean DBH, density, mean basal area, mean height, mean crown length, mean crown width, and mean bole height). Their variation with age was also evaluated and presented. This study's results might be useful in evaluating potential carbon sequestration in *Eucalyptus* trees and determining appropriate forest management methods to combat climate change.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Study site

The research was carried out in several sub-districts (Upazilas) under Kurigram District, Bangladesh, which are between 25°.023' and 26°.014' N latitudes and 89°.027' and 89°.054' E longitudes (Figure 1). The study area includes a humid subtropical climate with a dry winter and a hot summer (Mahmud et al. 2018). The annual temperature ranges from 11.20 to 32.3°C, with an average annual rainfall of 2931 mm (BBS 2013).

Eight plots were established for each age class of 2, 5, 7, and 8; five plots for 11; six for 13 years; and two for 21 years of age, considering the availability of plots in different years. Thus, 45 sample plots (10 m x 10 m) were established, covering a 4,500 m² area by a systematic simple random sampling method in *E. camaldulensis* plantation. The trees in the research plots were all given numbers, and the total height (H), diameter at breast height (DBH), crown width (CW), crown length (CL), and bole height (BH) of each tree were measured in March 2021.

Field measurement

Diameter tapes were used to determine the DBH at 1.3 m, and total tree height and bole height were measured with the Haga altimeter. The crown diameter was calculated by taking the arithmetic average of the horizontal crown diameter examined by measuring tape on the north-south and east-west axes. The crown length was calculated by subtracting bole height from the total tree height.

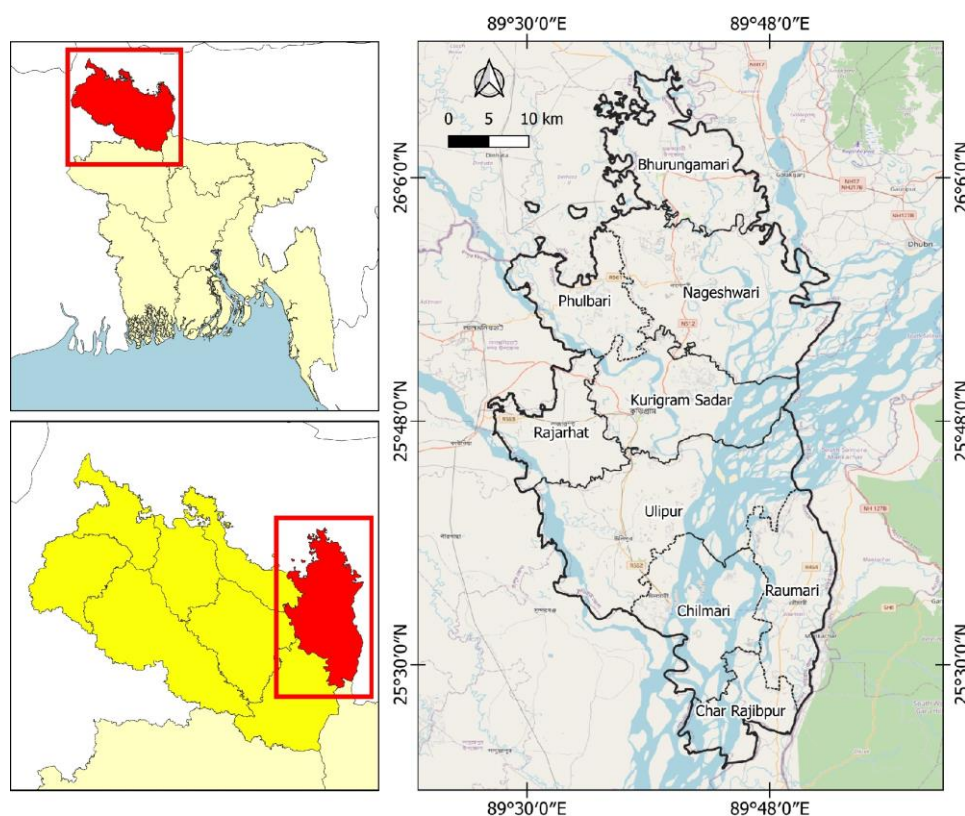


Figure 1. Map of the study area in Kurigram District, Bangladesh

Estimation of biomass and carbon stocks

Each individual's aboveground biomass of *E. camaldulensis* was estimated using allometric relationships between DBH, height, and biomass using a method developed by Hossain et al. (2020).

$$\ln(\text{TAGB}) = -2.663 + 1.915 \ln(D) + 0.832 \ln(H)$$

Where: TAGB = total aboveground biomass (kg), D = DBH, and H = height

The regression model developed by Cairns et al. (1997) was used to estimate belowground biomass, which depends on information on aboveground biomass.

$$\text{BGB} = \exp(-1.0587 + 0.8836 \times \ln \text{AGB})$$

Where: AGB denotes aboveground biomass, and BGB denotes belowground biomass

The following formula calculates the Mean Annual Increment (MAI) of biomass:

$$\text{MAI of biomass} = (\text{Total biomass}) / \text{age (years)}$$

A conversion factor of 0.47 was used to quantify carbon stocks as suggested by the IPCC (2006),

$$\text{Carbon} = \text{biomass} \times 0.47$$

All the biomass and carbon were expressed as Mg ha⁻¹

Statistical analysis

Before the ANOVA test, the normality and homogeneity of variance assumptions were met. Then, the variations in biomass and carbon stocks, as well as stand age, were studied using a one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA). Additionally, after a significant difference was observed, pairwise comparisons were made using post hoc testing (Tukey's HSD). Finally, the relationship between biomass stocks and stand structural factors was also tested using correlation regression. A significance value of $p < 0.05$ was used for all statistical studies to display the results. The R version 3.1.5 (R Core Team 2017) was used for all statistical analyses and figures.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Data from seven age classes (i.e., 2, 5, 7, 8, 11, 13, and 21 years) of *E. camaldulensis* showed differences in structural variables such as mean density, basal area, height, DBH, bole height, crown length, and crown width. The lowest basal area, height, DBH, bole height, crown length, and crown width are $0.8 \pm 0.0 \text{ m}^2 \text{ ha}^{-1}$, $4.7 \pm 0.2 \text{ m}$, $2.0 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}$, $3.2 \pm 0.2 \text{ m}$, $1.5 \pm 0.2 \text{ m}$ and $1.8 \pm 0.5 \text{ m}$, respectively, without mean density $1637 \pm 302 \text{ tree ha}^{-1}$ which is the highest in two years of plantation (Table 1). On the other hand, the highest basal area, height, DBH, bole height, crown length, and crown width are $5.8 \pm 0.1 \text{ m}^2 \text{ ha}^{-1}$, $30.9 \pm 0.9 \text{ m}$, $42.7 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}$, $14.9 \pm 0.7 \text{ m}$, $16.1 \pm 0.2 \text{ m}$ and $7.6 \pm 0.4 \text{ m}$ respectively, without mean density $400 \pm 0 \text{ n ha}^{-1}$ which is the lowest in 21 years of plantation (Table 1).

Aboveground and belowground biomass (Mg ha⁻¹) increased significantly with stand age, with the highest and lowest above and belowground biomass found at 21 and 2 years of age, respectively. Similarly, above and belowground carbon (Mg C ha⁻¹) increased with stand age, with the highest and lowest above and belowground carbon found at 21 and 2 years of age, respectively (Figure 2).

The current study observed a strong positive relationship between total carbon (Mg C ha⁻¹) with mean DBH ($R^2=0.94$, $p<2.2e-16$) and mean height ($R^2=0.90$, $p<2.2e-16$). In the meantime, this study also observed a strong positive relationship of total carbon (Mg C ha⁻¹) with the mean basal area ($R^2=0.76$, $p<8.6e-15$), mean crown width ($R^2=0.84$, $p<2.2e-16$), mean crown length ($R^2=0.8$, $p<2.2e-16$) and mean bole height ($R^2=0.79$, $p<2.2e-16$) but a negative relationship with density ($R^2=0.75$, $p<1.3e-14$) (Figure 3).

The highest aboveground carbon ($302.6 \pm 10.9 \text{ Mg C ha}^{-1}$) and belowground carbon ($49.4 \pm 1.6 \text{ Mg C ha}^{-1}$) were found for 21 year's age *Eucalyptus* plantation (Figure 2, Table 2). On the other hand, the lowest aboveground ($0.8 \pm 0.2 \text{ Mg C ha}^{-1}$) and belowground carbon ($0.3 \pm 0.1 \text{ Mg C ha}^{-1}$) were found for two years of age *Eucalyptus* plantation. The mean above and belowground carbon of all age classes is ($145.8 \pm 8.3 \text{ Mg C ha}^{-1}$) and ($25.1 \pm 1.3 \text{ Mg C ha}^{-1}$), respectively (Table 2). The mean increment of *E. camaldulensis* increases sharply at a young age (i.e., up to seven years) and decreases (at eight years). Again, the increasing trend observed up to 11 years afterward decreased sharply to 21 years (Figure 4).

Table 1. Stand structure of different age *Eucalyptus* plantation

Age	Density (n ha ⁻¹)	Basal area (m ² ha ⁻¹)	Height (m)	DBH (cm)	Bole height (m)	Crown length (m)	Crown width (m)
2	1637± 302	0.8 ± 0.0	4.7 ± 0.2	2.0 ± 0.1	3.2 ± 0.2	1.5 ± 0.2	1.8 ± 0.5
5	1438± 168	1.7 ± 0.3	10.6 ± 0.4	11.9 ± 0.5	7.1 ± 0.6	3.4 ± 0.4	3.6 ± 0.1
7	1412 ± 180	4.5 ± 0.3	11.9 ± 0.9	19.8 ± 0.8	7.5 ± 0.5	4.4 ± 0.4	3.1 ± 0.8
8	1187 ± 64	4.7 ± 0.3	12.8 ± 0.4	22.3 ± 0.7	7.6 ± 0.5	5.2 ± 0.5	3.5 ± 0.9
11	800 ± 70	4.6 ± 0.5	24.8 ± 1.0	26.9 ± 1.1	17.5 ± 0.8	7.3 ± 1.1	5.2 ± 0.6
13	716 ± 75	4.6 ± 0.3	27.6 ± 1.6	28.5 ± 0.8	18.9 ± 1.4	8.7 ± 1.9	4.5 ± 0.4
21	400 ± 0	5.8 ± 0.1	30.9 ± 0.9	42.7 ± 0.1	14.9 ± 0.7	16.1 ± 0.2	7.6 ± 0.4

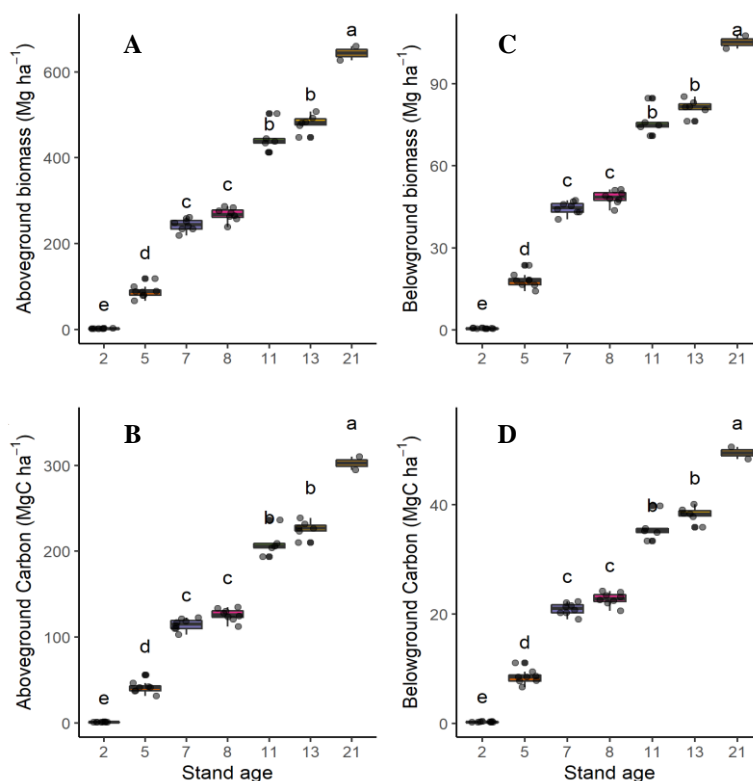


Figure 2. Boxplots showing changes in above and belowground biomass and carbon with stand age in a *Eucalyptus* plantation: A. Aboveground biomass, B. Aboveground carbon, C. Belowground biomass, D. Belowground carbon. The Tukey-HSD post hoc test, which was adjusted from one-way ANOVA, is indicated by different letters on the top of the boxes

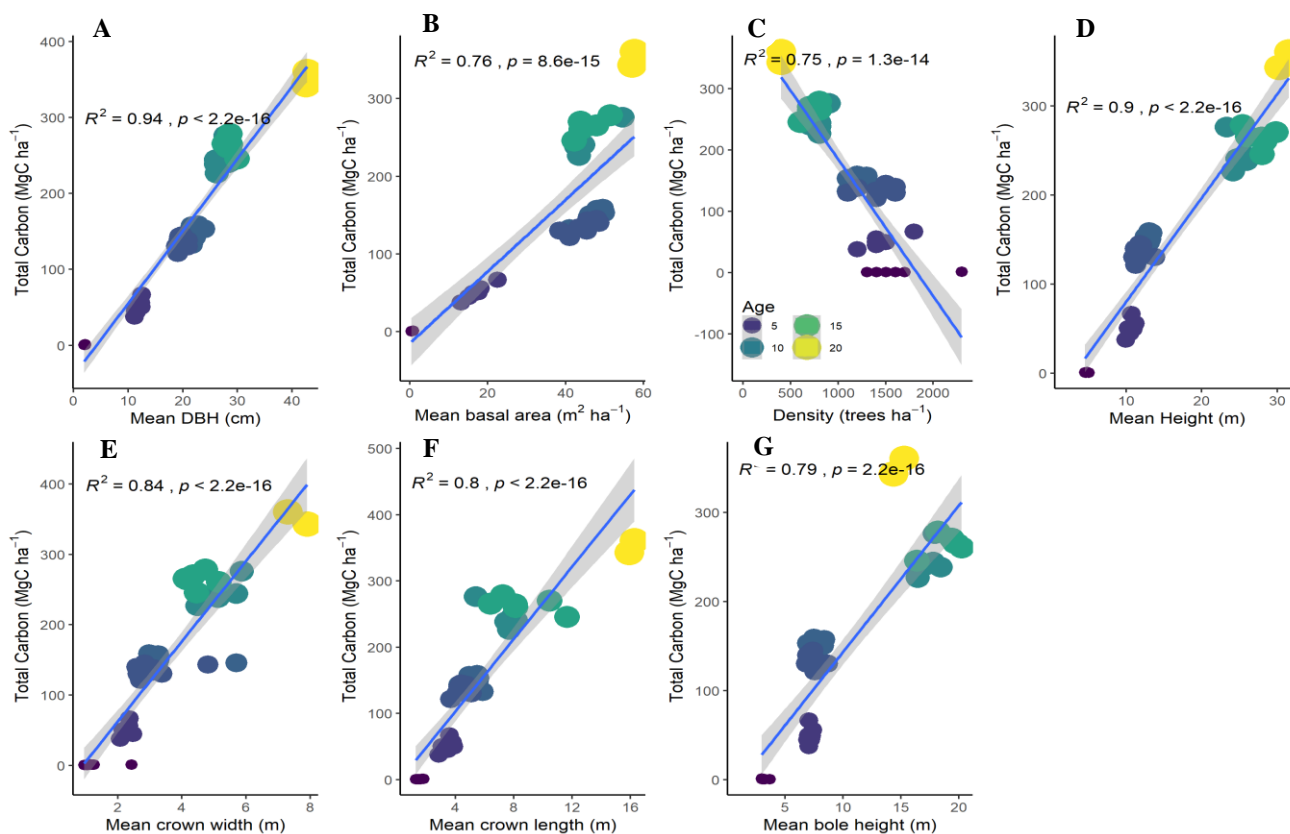
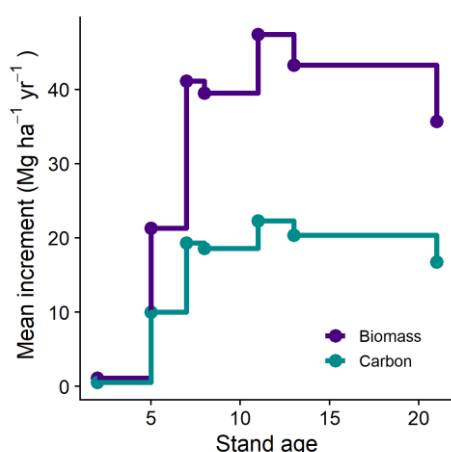


Figure 3. The relationships between estimated total carbon stocks in *Eucalyptus* plantation and stand structural attributes: A. Diameter at breast height (DBH), B. Basal area, C. Stand density, D. Tree height, E. Crown width, F. Crown length, G. Bole height. The larger the points, the older the stands

Table 2. Biomass (Mg ha⁻¹) and carbon stocks (Mg C ha⁻¹) of different age *Eucalyptus* plantation

Age (years)	Aboveground biomass (carbon)	Belowground biomass (carbon)	Total biomass (carbon)
21	643 ± 23.2 (302.6 ± 10.9)	105 ± 3.3 (49.4 ± 1.6)	748 ± 26.5 (352 ± 12.5)
13	481 ± 20.1 (226.1 ± 9.5)	81 ± 3.0 (38.2 ± 1.4)	562 ± 23.1 (264.3 ± 10.9)
11	446 ± 34.1 (209.7 ± 16.5)	76 ± 5.1 (35.7 ± 2.4)	522 ± 39.2 (245.4 ± 18.9)
8	267 ± 15.6 (125.8 ± 7.3)	48 ± 2.5 (22.7 ± 1.2)	315 ± 18.1 (148.5 ± 8.5)
7	243 ± 14.2 (114.3 ± 6.7)	44 ± 2.3 (20.9 ± 1.0)	287 ± 16.5 (135.2 ± 7.7)
5	88 ± 15.4 (41.5 ± 7.3)	18 ± 2.8 (8.5 ± 1.3)	106 ± 18.2 (50 ± 8.6)
2	1.7 ± 0.4 (0.8 ± 0.2)	0.5 ± 0.1 (0.3 ± 0.1)	2.2 ± 0.5 (1.1 ± 0.3)
Mean	309 ± 17.5 (145.8 ± 8.3)	53 ± 2.7 (25.1 ± 1.3)	363 ± 20.3 (170.9 ± 9.6)

**Figure 4.** Visualizes the mean biomass and carbon increment in *Eucalyptus* plantations by stand ages

Discussion

This study reveals that above- and belowground biomass and carbon varied with stand age (Table 2), which supports the previous hypothesis. Because *Eucalyptus* is a rapidly growing species, there is a significant difference in above and belowground carbon and biomass with age (Figure 2). Therefore, the total carbon and biomass are greater in the 21-year *Eucalyptus* plantation following 13, 11, 8, 7, 5, and 2 years. Zhang et al. (2012) found a similar result: the total biomass and carbon production of *E. camaldulensis* vary with age. Zhang et al. (2018) found that middle-aged and mature *Eucalyptus* plantations produced considerably more total biomass carbon than younger ones ($P < 0.01$). Du et al. (2015) found the amount of carbon stored in tree biomass increased as the forest became older, from 3.1 Mg ha⁻¹ at age 1 to 24.0, 31.6, 42.6, and 70.1 Mg ha⁻¹ at ages 2, 3, 4-5, and 6-8 years, respectively. Ulman and Avudainayagam (2014) discovered that total biomass carbon content ranged from 10.25 t ha⁻¹ (one-year plantation) to 82.16 t ha⁻¹ (four-year plantation) for *Eucalyptus tereticornis* Sm. in the Forest College and Research Institute at Mettupalayam in India. According to Joshi et al. (2013), carbon sequestration by an 8-year *Eucalyptus* hybrid plantation in the Terai region of the central Himalayas was 7.88 t Cha⁻¹ per year. Ram et al. (2011) found *E. tereticornis* clones planted in a strip

pattern in a water logging site in Haryana stored 15.5 t ha⁻¹ of carbon at the 5-year 4 months old plantation. According to Kumar et al. (2021), the total carbon stock (plant + soil) in an 8-year plantation of *E. tereticornis* ranged from 114.1 to 118.8 Mg C ha⁻¹ in semi-arid regions of Northwest India.

On the other hand, total carbon has a strong positive relationship by stand structural parameters such as height, DBH, basal area, crown height, crown length, and bole height but a negative relationship with density (Figure 3), which supports the second hypothesis. This positive relationship (without stand density) was because more height, basal area, DBH, crown height, crown length, and bole height indicate greater biomass. Therefore, more biomass indicates more carbon stock. Chave et al. (2005) stated that DBH, height, and canopy spread closely correlate to biomass. Total aboveground biomass is very strongly related ($R^2 = 0.99$) to DBH (Kuyah et al. 2012) and tree volume (Henry et al. 2009). Wider spacing provided enough space and less competition for higher biomass accumulation, which explains the negative relationship between density and total carbon stock (Kumar et al. 2021). However, Jaman et al. (2016) found that the stem density ($R^2 = 0.258$) and DBH ($R^2 = 0.182$) of tree species had no strong relationship with carbon stock at the home garden in the Rangpur District of Bangladesh. Chauhan et al. (2009) found that in an *E. tereticornis* plantation, tree stem C storage (4.20 t ha⁻¹) and total C storage (9.36 t ha⁻¹) in Punjab, India.

Biswas and Hasan (2020) found aboveground biomass and carbon at 116.397 Mgha⁻¹ and 58.199 Mgha⁻¹ for *E. citriodora* at a roadside agroforestry plantation in Sadar Upazila, Mymensingh district, Bangladesh. They also found a strong relationship between basal area and aboveground carbon stock ($R^2 = 0.874$, p -value<0.05). Also a very strong relationship between stand density ha⁻¹ and total aboveground carbon stock ($R^2 = 0.997$, p -value<0.05) for 23 species, including *E. citriodora*. This different result could be due to limited resources like water and nutrients in our study area (Tamang et al. 2021) and monoculture *Eucalyptus* plantation. Stands accumulated biomass quickly as they grew older, well above the rate of accumulation observed in other tropical and subtropical plantation studies (Singh and Toky 1995; Bauhus et al. 2004; Zewdie et al. 2009).

The reason for the variation of total biomass and carbon in *Eucalyptus* species is not only the variation of age but

also due to their rapid growth; the case of *Eucalyptus* trees form a forest with low-biomass density (Zhang et al. 2012). Climate factors, particularly temperature and water availability, impact potential forest biomass output and carbon density on a global and regional scale (Lieth 1975). The rising temperature and decreasing precipitation greatly influence forest vegetation's structure, functions, dynamics, and distribution. These changes would affect the forest vegetation's carbon sequestration potential (CSP) (Hui et al. 2017; Zhou et al. 2022). Site condition and soil characteristics are important at the local level for preserving the quality of the water and sustaining long-term site production, and soil properties are significantly influenced by the age of the plantation (Omoro et al. 2013; Tamang et al. 2021; Schoonover and Crim 2015). Moreover, organic matter quality, which is related to species, and thus forest type, soil type, and texture are important aspects, too (Jobbágy and Jackson 2000). However, to a greater or lesser extent, human activities and management identify the true biomass and carbon density (Brown and Gaston 1995). The mean increment ($\text{Mgha}^{-1}\text{yr}^{-1}$) of *E. camaldulensis* increases sharply up to seven years, then decreases in years eight and nine, but again increases up to 11 years, then sharply decreases up to 13 years, and gently decreases up to 21 years (Figure 4). According to Kumar et al. (2021), annual growth in tree height, DBH, biomass, and carbon storage of *E. tereticornis* was high for the first six years before slowing down for the next eight years, which is nearly similar to these findings. Furthermore, Ram et al. (2011) and Kumar et al. (2016) observed a striking similarity in the growth and biomass of *E. tereticornis* and *Populus deltoides* in plantation forestry in North-Western India. Shin et al. (2007) found the highest net mean annual increment (MAI) in carbon stock at 9.83 (SE 1.50) $\text{t Cha}^{-1}\text{yr}^{-1}$ in the *E. camaldulensis* stands, followed by *A. mangium* (7.48 $\text{t C ha}^{-1}\text{yr}^{-1}$, SE 0.66) and the lowest was in the *Gmelina arborea*, at 0.25 $\text{t C ha}^{-1}\text{yr}^{-1}$ (SE 0.64) in Bangladesh. Du et al. (2015) found that annual rates of biomass carbon accumulation in trees in the *Eucalyptus* stand were 3.1 , 20.9 , 7.6 , 5.0 , and 9.2 $\text{Mg ha}^{-1}\text{yr}^{-1}$ for ages 1, 2, 3, 4-5, and 6-7 years, respectively. Shin et al. (2007) stated that the largest net increment (10 $\text{t ha}^{-1}\text{year}^{-1}$) was found in 8-year-old *Acacia auriculiformis* A.Cunn. Ex Benth. and 8-year-old *E. camaldulensis*, followed by 18-year-old *E. camaldulensis*, while the lowest was reported in the *G. arborea* plantation among 13 plantation species in the hilly area of Bangladesh. Several variables, including planting material, density, growth circumstances, site attributes, age, structure, and, most crucially, management strategies, influences the total biomass output from a plantation (Goswami et al. 2014). The Mean height, DBH of the lowest age (2 years old) *Eucalyptus* tree is 4.7 ± 0.2 m, 2.0 ± 0.1 cm, and the mean height, DBH of the highest age (21 years old) is 30.9 ± 0.9 m, 42.7 ± 0.1 cm respectively (Table 1). Dogra (2011) found carbon sequestration rates of 236.8 kg per tree at height and a DBH of 24 m and 30 cm, respectively, for *E. tereticornis* in India. *E. camaldulensis* can reach up to 20 m tall and rarely exceeds 40 m; if properly managed, this species will be highly economical (Hassan 1994).

In conclusion, this research reveals that *Eucalyptus* is a fast-growing forest tree with significant potential for biomass and carbon sequestration. This study also found that biomass and carbon of *Eucalyptus* plantations increase with stand age. A positive and strong relationship exists between total carbon and structural attributes such as stand height, DBH, basal area, density, crown width, crown length, and bole height. Low-density stands of *E. camaldulensis* accumulate more biomass and carbon than high-density stands. This study only examines the biomass and carbon productivity changes in *Eucalyptus* plantations as a function of stand structure and stand age. Still, possible responsible factors for this were not observed. Thus, future research could be interesting by covering broad geographical ranges and highlighting the soil variables.

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