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| 2018 | GIBSON, T *et al* | *Special journal issue on local learning and action* | International Journal of Disaster Prevention and Management |
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