

Review of: "Financial Repercussions of Carbon Emissions and Depletion of Natural Resources: The Role of Fiscal Policy in Determining Health Expenditures"

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The topic of the study is very attractive showing the impact of environmental factors on public and private health expenditures which is having very much relevance with the current scenario of the World. The findings reveal that external outstanding debt has a significant positive effect on per capita private health expenditures but a negative effect on nationwide aggregate health expenditures which have practical implications for the developing countries specifically. The author has used the ESG approach in explaining the relationship between CO₂ and depletion of natural resources which is an innovative approach introduced by World Bank. The study employs good selection of variables and methodology. Results have also been explained in appropriate manner. However, the author is suggested to separate the section of introduction and literature review and add the research question and objectives in introduction section. This will make the study more clear and reader friendly in understanding the importance of the subject. Furthermore, in the Tables showing results, what does this show I, II, III, IV, V? Please clearly describe a general model of estimation and then its variants which are to be estimated. Similarly, the post estimation of each model is also supposed to be given at the end of each column rather than explaining these generally in a form of paragraph as being done in the section of result estimation. These are the minor changes which make the findings more attractive and effective in policy making.