

# Review of: "Government expenditure and economic growth: evidence from the critical sectors in an emerging economy"

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## REFEREE'S REPORT ON

" Government expenditure and economic growth: evidence from the critical sectors in an emerging economy"

**Comments:** The authors studied "the relationship with government expenditure and economic growth" in India-Caspian Countries. This paper needs improvement as has been listed below:

### 1. Abstract

- The policy proposal of the study's originality and importance should be written in this section.

### 1. Introduction

- Theoretical explanations regarding the main topic is insufficient. The relationship between the variables should be explained more clearly. I suggest you review the study below.

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- The study's importance, purpose and theoretical framework should be discussed in detail.
- The general plan of the study should be written at the end of the section.

### 1. Literature

- The difference of the study from the literature and its contribution to the literature should be explained under this title.

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### 1. Data and Methods

- You should remove Table 2 and Table 3.
- You must explain why you chose Nigeria and the dates 1981-2020.
- You should write why the tests you use (ADF-Johansen) were chosen.
- ADF and Johansen tests are not current tests. I suggest you do structural break tests. You need new generation tests.

- Analyzes and the findings have not been adequately discussed.

1. **Conclusion**

- Policy recommendations are incomplete and inadequate.

I consider it appropriate to **MAJOR REVISION** the study for the above-mentioned reasons.