

Review of: "Contribution of Indirect Taxes on Goods to Economic Growth of Pakistan (1972-2022)"

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1. It seems correlation analysis was performed on the variables at level while the unit root test indicates that the variables have a unit root at level. How authentic are the correlational analysis results?
2. Lag selection process was based only on the AIC criterion and therefore might be misleading. The researcher to apply other selection criterion and compare before selecting the best lag.
3. The number of lags selected is quite many and therefore that poses a challenge (Computational error on E-views) considering the longitudinal data spans for a total of 42 years only.
4. Why did the researcher only opt for VEM model as opposed to VAR models which can generate impulse response functions to check on the short run and long run effects of the various variables on the dependent variable?
5. How does this study contribute to the existing body of knowledge?