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Journal Name:	<b>Asian Journal of Probability and Statistics</b>
Manuscript Number:	<b>Ms_AJPAS_110215</b>
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Enhanced Inflation Forecasting by Using a Novel Hybrid Model: Empirical Evidence from Sri Lanka</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Original Research Article</b>

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. <b>Is the manuscript important for scientific community?</b> (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. <b>Is the title of the article suitable?</b> (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. <b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</b></p> <p>4. <b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></p> <p>5. <b>Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</b></p> <p>6. <b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</b></p> <p><b><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></b></p>	<p>1. <b>Yes, it is an informative research.</b>                  2. <b>Yes, it seems suitable</b>                  3. <b>Yes</b>                  4. <b>Up to extent</b>                  5. <b>Yes</b>                  6. <b>It is fine</b></p> <p><b>Titled:</b> Enhanced Inflation Forecasting by Using a Novel Hybrid Model: Empirical Evidence from Sri Lanka.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b></p> <p><b>Minor Revision</b></p> <p>I read the manuscript titled "Enhanced Inflation Forecasting by Using a Novel Hybrid Model: Empirical Evidence from Sri Lanka." with keen interest. The idea is worth investigating and well fits the scope of the <b>Asian Journal of Probability and Statistics</b>. However, the manuscript has some issue that needs to be corrected before final publication.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Abstract is not good, authors should rewrite.</li> </ul> <p>In the introduction, it is necessary to add the arguments that connect the previous literature with the main contribution of this paper. The introduction part is weakly formulated. The author should provide a clear explanation of the research gap and the purpose of the study in the introduction. The contribution of the paper and the importance of the manuscript to <b>Asian Journal of Probability and Statistics</b> readers are not justified. The motivation behind the investigation is weak, and it needs to be studied. What is the significance of the study? Finally, please clearly state the contribution of the study to the body of knowledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Why this study is so important in the context of Sri Lanka? Any specific reason?</li> <li>- In the methodology Section, the author provides implications towards the research results mainly according to his own idea; maybe with some support from the published articles. However, there is almost no evidence listed to be the basis for research discussions.</li> <li>- Concise and methodic policy recommendations need to be given and the policy recommendations should depend on the findings obtained as well as the practice.</li> <li>- What lesson did we learn from the results of this study? How the finding of this study is different from other studies needs details arguments.</li> <li>- Overall the presentation of the paper is good, but I also suggest authors get help from a native speaker to check its language.</li> </ul>	

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<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments		
1. Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	The language needs a proofread	
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	Overall the manuscript deserves to be published in “ <b>Asian Journal of Probability and Statistics</b> ”. I would suggest the author consider the above comments and revise the manuscript accordingly.	

**PART 2:**

	<b>Reviewer's comment</b>	<b>Author's comment</b> (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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