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Journal Name:	<b>Journal of Economics, Management and Trade</b>
Manuscript Number:	<b>Ms_JEMT_110282</b>
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>How Well do China's E-payment Concept Listed Companies Perform? A DEA-Malmquist Index Study</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Empirical</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 REVISION</b> comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Is the manuscript important for scientific community?</b> (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</li> <li><b>Is the title of the article suitable?</b> (If not please suggest an alternative title)</li> <li><b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</b></li> <li><b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></li> <li><b>Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</b></li> <li><b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</b></li> </ol> <p><b>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>While the manuscript addresses an important topic by evaluating the operational efficiency of China's e-payment concept listed companies, there are aspects that might warrant major revisions. The study's significance is somewhat diminished by potential areas for improvement, including the need for a more detailed exploration of methodological approaches, clarity in presenting certain results, and a deeper analysis of the implications of the findings. A more thorough examination and refinement of these elements could significantly enhance the manuscript's impact within the scientific community. The literature review part is missing</li> <li><b>No, the title seems inappropriate, I suggest</b> "Assessing Operational Efficiency and Technological Progress: An In-depth Study of China's E-payment Concept Listed Companies using DEA-Malmquist Index" would be a more appropriate one, Title should clearly communicate the article's aim and methodology.</li> <li>Yes, the abstract provides an overview of the study, including the evaluation of operational efficiency among e-payment concept listed companies in China. However, for a more comprehensive understanding, the abstract could benefit from additional details on the specific methodologies employed, a more nuanced presentation of the research findings, and a clearer delineation of the implications. A major revision is recommended to ensure the abstract adequately captures the intricacies of the study, facilitating a more thorough comprehension for readers.</li> <li><b>No, there should be a dedicated section for literature review where recent literature on subject should be studied and explained.</b></li> <li><b>For now, it contribute to available literature in a way it uses empirical research, but more literature review is required, specially from recent years.</b></li> <li><b>References are insufficient though it is an empirical paper. The recent published articles should be added in references and insights should be taken up from them.</b></li> </ol>	
<p><b>Minor REVISION</b> comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</b></li> </ol>	<p>English language need improvement for grammatical correction and academic writing style</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>		

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**PART 2:**

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<b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b>	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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