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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Economics, Business and Accounting
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Title of the Manuscript:	DOES entrepreneurial orientation affect the performance of women-owned SMEs in Banditry Zone? The empirical evidence from Kebbi State, Nigeria.
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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>Compulsory REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript) 2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title) 3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? 4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate? 5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct? 6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form. <p><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The manuscript has provided insightful new scientific information that can contribute to SMEs focusing on Women's Managerial Policy to ensure fair treatment for all-gender organizations. The manuscript has contributed to new knowledge suitable to be published. 2. A question title may have its benefit in increasing the curiosity or attention of readers, but in this manuscript, the title will only misdirect the reader to assume another conclusion. It is better for the author to be direct and provide conclusive title. 3. The abstract is well constructed. 4. The subsection and structure are acceptable. 5. The author is trying to focus on women managerial SMEs, BUT most of the Reviewed Literature is more general instead of focusing on data and information that is based on women managerial literature. Thus, it lacks a conclusive and strong argument when constructing the Hypothesis and further developing the theory for the research. It is suggested that the author develop literature that directly focuses on Women's managerial literature that can support the development of the hypothesis and research constructs. 6. The sampling size is acceptable, but the sampling calculation may not be proper as the author conducted a Partial-Least Square Structural Equation Model (PLS-SEM). Please find articles that can support and are suitable for executing PLS-SEM data analysis. 7. Please change the B to β in Table 1 as it has a different meaning. 8. The data in Table 1 and Figure 1 shows that there is a significant relationship between Innovation and Business Performance at $P < 0.1$. The Algorithm also shows a positive effect, NOT a negative effect as the author claims. The effects may be tier 3 with a low significance level, but the author needs to have solid reasons why would the research exclude H1 from the study. 9. Please change the discussion and conclusion after deciding the outcome of H1. 10. Most of the references are outdated. The author should look at the most recent Literature to be cited in the manuscript 	
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<p>Optional/General comments</p>	None. Just the initial amendment suggested.	

PART 2:

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

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