

Review Form 3

Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Economics, Business and Accounting
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJEBA_120465
Title of the Manuscript:	Do Domestic and External Public Debt Enhance Economic Growth? Short-term and Long-term Evidence from Sri Lanka
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

Review Form 3

PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback (Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p>Please write few sentences regarding the importance this manuscript for scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? Minimum 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>	<p>Any study on economic growth is always novel, in view of what the direction of economy management will be for the citizens. Thus, this study is contemporary to the issues confronting issues of public debt and economy management. This study concretised the previous outputs on the nexus between public debt and economic advancement. The empirical novelty of this paper is the segregation of the variables into short-term and long-term for identifiable periodicity of the relationship among the main variables.</p>	
<p>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p>	<p>The topic is suitable. However, I will suggest that "domestic and external", should be silent, while both will be conspicuously explained in the body of the work. Thus, I will suggest that the topic is amended as follows: DO PUBLIC DEBT ENHANCE ECONOMIC GROWTH? SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM EVIDENCE FROM SRI LANKA. One of the main reasons behind this is to provoke the curiosity of the readers as to what the body of the article will contain.</p>	
<p>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.</p>	<p>The Abstract is comprehensive and captures the expectations with the exception of the absence of RECOMMENDATIONS, especially as it concerns the policymakers. This should be included. However, the number of words of the Abstract of the Journal should also be taken into consideration.</p>	
<p>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p>	<p>The sections are in order. However, I will suggest that Sections 5 should include Recommendations. 5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS</p>	
<p>Please write few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? Minimum 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>	<p>The Keynesian demand-side model adopted in the estimation of the GDP, with the use of ARDL is appropriate for the achievement of the objective. The manuscript is essentially novel for determining the level at which government could maintain the optimal public debt (Domestic and Foreign)</p>	
<p>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form. :</p>	<p>The referencing style seem insufficient if consideration is given to APA 7 edition. However, is dependent on the referencing style adopted by the Journal. Meanwhile, some of the articles cited do not show signs of empirical studies, which could undermine the scientific reliance of their works to develop a manuscript of this nature. This should be looked into.</p>	
<p>Minor REVISION comments Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>The language is appropriate. Meanwhile, there is a need to check for plagiarism and AI generated text detection. Test.</p>	
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The manuscript will enhance the general understanding of how public debt level reflects on the short-term and long-term economic growth in Sri Lanka. The empirical review is better reported in past tenses and not continuous tenses The discussion of findings should be linked with the articles that are in agreement with this study and those at variance with it.</p>	

Review Form 3

PART 2:

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

Reviewer Details:

Name:	Israel Akinadewo
Department, University & Country	University of Ilesa, Nigeria