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Title of the Manuscript:	Political leader's background effect on health status in Africa: do foreign education matter?
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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> <p>1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</p> <p>4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p> <p>5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</p> <p>6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</p> <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. Yes, the manuscript is important for the scientific community as it provides valuable insights and lessons for future studies. It contributes to the field of education and has the potential to be a valuable resource for further research, enhancing our understanding of the subject matter. 2. Yes, the title of the article is suitable. 3. The abstract provides a comprehensive overview of the research study. It effectively introduces the context by highlighting the role of political leaders in the development process and the challenges they face in allocating public resources. The objective of the paper, which is to investigate the intrinsic motivations, particularly the leader's background, in health policy outcomes, is clearly stated. The abstract mentions the sample size, the period of analysis, and the methods used for evaluation, such as fixed and random effects, OLS, GCM, Drisc/Kraay, and GMM. This demonstrates transparency and rigor in the research approach. The findings are succinctly presented, indicating that high-educated leaders are associated with increased life expectancy, but those with foreign western education face constraints leading to a negative impact on the health status of their native countries. The concluding statement effectively summarizes the contribution of the study to the emerging literature on political leaders' theory, emphasizing the influence of the incumbent's background on economic policy preferences and, consequently, health outcomes. Overall, the abstract is well-structured, providing a clear understanding of the research scope, methodology, findings, and its significance in contributing to the existing knowledge. 4. Yes, the subsections and structure of the manuscript are appropriate. 5. Yes, the manuscript is scientifically correct, and the findings can be substantiated by the author based on the research outcomes. 6. References in the manuscript are deemed sufficient and recent, and no additional suggestions for inclusion are necessary 	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>The language quality of the article is generally suitable for scholarly communications. However, it's important to note that translation may not always be a straightforward word-for-word process. The example provided on page 15, "there is a consensus on the positive relationship between health and economic growth; indeed, human capital theories demonstrate that health is a lever for growth," can be effectively replaced with "There is a consensus regarding the positive correlation between health and economic growth. In fact, theories of human capital affirm that health serves as a catalyst for growth." This replacement maintains the original meaning while adjusting the wording for improved clarity and academic style.</p>	
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The manuscript provides a thorough exploration of the impact of leaders' education on public health in African countries, covering various aspects such as investment in human capital, population dynamics, capital flight, medical tourism, foreign direct investment (FDI), and the influence of democracy. The justifications provided for unexpected outcomes contribute to the depth of the analysis.</p> <p>Here are some positive aspects and suggestions for improvement:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Positive Aspects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive Coverage: The manuscript comprehensively addresses multiple dimensions of the topic, providing a holistic view of the subject matters • Integration of Evidence: The inclusion of statistical data, references to specific studies 	

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	<p>(Constant et al., Besley and Reynal-Querol, Sosson et al.), and the Health Care Index enhances the credibility of your arguments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarity of Language: The language used is generally clear and accessible, making it suitable for a wider audience. <p>2. Suggestions for Improvement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structural Clarification: Consider providing clearer transitions between different sections or arguments to enhance the overall flow of the manuscript. • Strengthening the Conclusion: While the manuscript covers a wide array of factors, consider summarizing key findings and their implications more explicitly in the conclusion. This can help readers grasp the main takeaways more efficiently. • Balancing Detail: While providing a rich contextual background is essential, be mindful of maintaining a balance between detail and conciseness to keep the reader engaged. • Visual Aids: Depending on the format requirements, consider incorporating visual aids (charts, graphs) to illustrate key points and enhance data presentation. • Review of Grammar and Punctuation: Ensure a meticulous review of grammar and punctuation to eliminate any potential errors. <p>Overall, the manuscript is well-constructed and informative. The suggested improvements aim to refine the clarity and impact of your message.</p>	
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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>	

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