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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> <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><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></b></p>	<p>COMMENTS TO AUTHOR(S)</p> <p>Manuscript: <b>"THE EFFECT OF GOVERNMENT POLICIES ON THE SUCCESS OF MICRO, SMALL, AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (MSMES) IN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN NORTH TAPANULI REGENCY"</b>.</p> <p>The paper presents a study in focusing on the impact of government policies on the success of MSMEs in North Tapanuli regency. Below are the recommended revisions to be made. Some major problems are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The author(s) mentioned that from a total of 39,856 MSME units, a simple random sample of 100 respondents was selected. There is a need to introduce which sample size calculation formula was used to reach those 100 respondents. What is the minimum sample size of the population 39,856 units?</li> <li>In keywords, Regional Gross Domestic Product was added but the abbreviation was written as PDRB which does not tally with it.</li> <li>Grammar mistakes are found. For example: In introduction, when saying 'Rahayu (2014) states XXX', the verb form should be in past tense meaning 'stated' is correct. The same goes to the word 'note' in 'Tambunan et al. (2005) note'. It should be 'noted'. To be corrected as 'explained' in 'Lumempow et al. (2021) explain'. Those are a few examples picked up. It is recommended the author(s) checks the WHOLE PAPER, especially when talking about the previous literature reviews, it all should be in past tense. Large-Scale Social Restrictions (PSBB) is mismatched. The abbreviation should be 'LSSR' as it is emphasizing Large-Scale Social Restrictions, not 'PSBB' unless the author(s) use the local language to refer to it. The same goes to Productive Micro Business Assistance (BPUM). If following the English language itself, it should be 'PMBA', not 'BPUM'. It should be 'PBC' in People's Business Credit (KUR). Please check if the abbreviations represent the word/phrase the author(s) wants to discuss.</li> <li>Please refer to the sentence 'In this chapter, we will further explore the current conditions of MSMEs, the challenges they face, and the government's efforts to support the growth of this sector'. The word 'chapter' is used in the book review and the thesis papers, not in journals. So, please substitute it with 'in this study', 'in this paper' or something else. Besides, the use of third-party gender-neutral word is highly recommended in the academic paper. It should not be written as 'we will further explore', rather it is better as 'The study further explores' or 'XXX will be explored in this study'.</li> <li>In figure 1, the variable names need to be written in English if the author(s) wants to present this paper to the international readers. If local language is a must, it can be mentioned together with English expression. As there is only one direct variable as MSME, there is no need to describe it in numbers. Just 'Y' is enough for the main variable and 'Y1', 'Y2', 'Y3' and 'Y4' for the sub-variables. For easier understanding at a glance, please label it in the sentence as well such as 'Its indicators involve understanding of monetary policy (X11), decision-making on KUR (X12), principles of credit provision by banks to MSME actors (X13), and the impact of credit policy on business after receiving credit (X14). The same for X2 and Y.</li> <li>The figure names were written below the table whereas the table names were written above the table. Those should be aligned in the same format: all below or all above unless it is specifically required and requested by the publisher.</li> <li>In table 1, agriculture/Trade/Livestock was counted 15,625 and trade was counted 7,392 but it is confusing as trade is overlapping in both MSME name. When saying the trade sector being the largest contributor, it is not precise that much, 'agriculture sector' would be better.</li> <li>In figure 2 and figure 3, the MSME names and the tenure were not written in English. Figure 3.5.1 was not written in English. Table 2 has the word 'Tidak Valid' and it should be</li> </ol>	

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	<p>translated back and written as 'invalid'.</p> <p>9. The table 6 R-Square explanation is incorrect as the R-Square value of 0.621 has to be interpreted in such a way that around 62 percent of the changes in the monetary and fiscal policy can explain the status of MSME success. If having monetary policy alone, around 50% of it can explain the status of MSME success meaning implementing constructive fiscal policy is effective and efficient for the success of MSME.</p> <p>10. The title of 3.10.3 is incorrect as the fiscal policy is made as the mediator, so it should be 'Monetary Policy through Fiscal Policy on MSME Success'.</p> <p>11. It seems the author(s) is using APA referencing style. If it is so, some formats are incorrect. If having more than one author, for example, Wuryandani D, Meilani H. (2013), then the symbol '&amp;' is needed after the first author's name as like the second reference written. Journal name needs to be italic, and the issue number needs to be italic.</p> <p>12. It would be better if the author(s) can add the interview and survey questionnaires under appendix.</p>	
<p><b>Minor</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Yes but still need a few revision mentioned above.</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>	<p>This paper is academically qualified and recommend it for the publication.</p>	

**PART 2:**

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

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