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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>	<p>Compulsory REVISION Comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Importance to the Scientific Community: The manuscript investigates the relationship between foreign direct investment (FDI) and economic growth in Kenya through comprehensive regression analysis and causality tests. The findings can contribute significantly to the scientific community, particularly researchers and policymakers interested in the economic dynamics of developing countries. Understanding the impact of FDI on economic growth is of paramount importance for guiding policy decisions and fostering sustainable development. 2. Suitability of the Title: The title is generally suitable, but it might be enhanced for clarity and specificity. Consider a title that explicitly mentions the focus on FDI and economic growth in Kenya, providing a more targeted representation of the study. <i>Suggested Title:</i> "Foreign Direct Investment and Economic Growth in Kenya: A Comprehensive Analysis" 3. Comprehensiveness of the Abstract: The abstract provides a good overview of the study, summarizing the research question, methodology, and key findings. However, it could be more explicit about the novelty of the study and its potential implications. Ensure that it concisely captures the essence of the research. 4. Appropriateness of Subsections and Structure: The manuscript's structure is generally appropriate, with clear subsections. To enhance readability, consider providing a brief introductory paragraph at the beginning of each section, highlighting the main points that will be discussed. This can guide readers more effectively through the content. 5. Scientific Correctness: The manuscript demonstrates scientific rigor, employing regression analysis and causality tests. However, it would be beneficial to include more details about the methodology, such as data sources, sample size, and potential limitations. Additionally, consider adding confidence intervals for key coefficients to provide a clearer indication of the robustness of the findings. 6. References - Sufficiency and Recency: The references are generally sufficient, covering relevant literature. To enhance the comprehensiveness of the review, consider including more recent studies (post-2020) that may have explored the evolving landscape of FDI and economic growth. This will ensure that the study is contextualized within the most current research. <p>Strengths:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Comprehensive Analysis: The review thoroughly addresses all aspects outlined in the reviewer guidelines. It covers various elements such as regression results, causality tests, and a detailed discussion on the relationship between foreign direct investment (FDI) and economic growth in Kenya. 2. Clarity of Presentation: The article is well-structured and presented in a clear and organized manner. The use of tables enhances the readability and understanding of the regression results, causality tests, and other statistical findings. 3. In-depth Discussion: The review provides a detailed and in-depth discussion of the study's findings, drawing on relevant empirical studies and theoretical literature. The comparisons with previous research enrich the analysis and contribute to the robustness of the study. 	

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	<p style="text-align: center;">Areas to Improve:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Methodological Explanation: While the article presents regression results and causality tests, it would be beneficial to include a more detailed explanation of the methodology used. Providing additional information on the model specifications and data sources would enhance the transparency and replicability of the study. 2. Addressing Contradictory Findings: The article mentions contradictory findings in the literature, such as the negative relationship between trade openness and economic growth. It would be helpful to explore these contradictions further and provide potential explanations or reconcile these differences to strengthen the argument. 3. Policy Implications and Recommendations: While the article discusses the positive influence of FDI on economic growth, it would be beneficial to include more explicit policy implications and recommendations for policymakers in Kenya. This could involve practical strategies to attract and sustain FDI, considering the unique economic context of the country. 	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>		
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Additional Suggestions/Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider expanding the discussion on the policy implications of the findings. How can the results inform economic policies in Kenya, especially in attracting and managing FDI? • Ensure clarity in presenting regression results; consider using tables and figures to enhance the visual representation of key findings. • Proofread the manuscript for grammatical errors and ensure consistency in formatting throughout the document. • Provide clarity on the data used, including the time frame and sources, to enhance transparency and replicability. <p style="text-align: center;">These recommendations aim to strengthen the manuscript's impact, clarity, and overall contribution to the scientific community.</p> <p>The article appears to be a research paper, It involves regression analysis, causality tests, and an in-depth discussion of the relationship between foreign direct investment (FDI) and economic growth in Kenya. The content suggests that it aligns with the format and structure commonly found in academic research articles in the field of economics or related disciplines.</p>	

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