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PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Is the manuscript important for scientific community? <i>(Please write few sentences regarding this manuscript to justify your answer)</i>	This manuscript is likely important for the scientific community studying the environmental Kuznets curve (EKC) hypothesis, particularly in the context of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries. The GCC region is home to major oil and gas producers, making it a relevant case study for understanding the relationship between economic growth, energy consumption, and environmental degradation. Analyzing the EKC in this context can provide insights that contribute to the broader literature on the topic.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	The title "Time Series Analysis of Environmental Kuznets Curve in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) from 1995-2020" is appropriate and accurately reflects the focus of the study.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?	The abstract provides a clear overview of the study's purpose, methodology, and key findings. It covers the main aspects of the research, including the investigation of the EKC hypothesis, the use of time series modeling, and the analysis of the relationship between CO2 emissions, GDP per capita, energy consumption, and urbanization. The abstract is comprehensive and provides a good summary of the study.	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	The manuscript appears to have a well-structured organization, with appropriate subsections that cover the introduction, methodology, findings, limitations, and originality of the study. The flow of the manuscript is logical and follows a typical structure for a research article.	
Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct? <i>(Please write few sentences regarding this manuscript to justify your answer)</i>	Based on the information provided, the manuscript seems to be scientifically correct. The authors have used appropriate econometric techniques, such as the Phillips-Perron unit root test and the ARDL bounds estimation model, to analyze the EKC hypothesis. The findings, including the identification of the EKC relationship in certain GCC countries and the analysis of the causal relationships between the variables, appear to be well-supported by the data and analysis.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.	The reference list includes relevant and recent studies on the EKC hypothesis, energy consumption, and environmental issues in the GCC region. The references cover a good range of the existing literature and are appropriate for the topic and context of the study.	
Minor REVISION comments		
Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	The language and English quality of the manuscript are suitable for scholarly communications. The writing is clear, concise, and appropriate for a research article.	
Optional/General comments	No major issues were identified that would require substantial revisions. The manuscript appears to be well-written and follows standard academic conventions.	

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	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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