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Title of the Manuscript:	Testing the Applicability of a Privatization Model on State Owned Enterprises in Namibia.
Type of the Article	Original article

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PART 1: Review Comments

	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>
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	The author points out that high-ranking managers involved in privatization participated in the surveys. However, these people can have their own mental models about the topic of the survey and give answers in accordance with these models.	I should mentioned here that all SOEs in Namibia are wholly owned by Government. The high ranking officials who responded to the questionnaire are therefore not involved in any form of privatization process in respect of the SOEs they work for, neither is privatization of the SOEs receiving serious attention in Namibia. In actual fact, the study targeted the managers to solicit for their views on the subject matter of privatization of the SOEs. You may be right to some extent in the sense that studies elsewhere (such as China) have shown that SOEs managers have resisted change in the form of privatization due to ongoing corruptive tendencies then, and this was also evident in this study thus targeting them was important as they would either serve as the first line of resistance against change or may be the first line of responsibility to embracing change in the form of privatization. Finally, the responses to the questionnaire required that they did so independently without any form of intimidation.
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	The author should briefly and clearly describe the analyzed model of privatization so that the description does not allow ambiguous interpretations.	I have now explained as highlighted in the draft journal.



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<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Since the author uses statistical processing, the presence of autocorrelation with the help of Durbin-Watson statistics should be checked.	This paper does not require such because it is more on reduction techniques (identify and group factors) as opposed to conventional econometric techniques.
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