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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)*
Compulsory REVISION comments	1. **It is stated in para 3 of 'Introduction' that "International law is firm on the position that states hold natural resources in trust for the good of the people and economic development of the nation". It is desired that suitable reference(s) be cited to corroborate this statement.** 2. **It is stated in page 22 that 'It can be argued however that if there's no state participation, government revenues would be drastically reduced and government would not be able to meet its financial obligations.'. It is expected of the authors to comment on the merits and demerits of such a stand.** 3. **In 'Recommendations' para.1, suitable references may be cited.**	
Minor REVISION comments	1. **Last line in the last para of 'Introduction', word 'effective' to be changed as 'effectively'.** 2. **Page 3 last line, '…exceed 50 percent…' to be corrected as '…exceeding 50 percent…'** 3. **Page 4, sub-title III to read as 'whose' instead of who's** 4. **In page 4, sentences reading 'Although natural resources are vested in the States following the doctrine of PNSR. Yet, it these resources are to be deployed for the benefit of the people by the State.' to be properly combined.** 5. **Page 4 first para last sentence (States have the duty to ensure that the natural resources and proceeds from it must be used for the development and well-being of the people.), delete the word 'must'.** 6. **Page 4 last line to read '……in partnership with private companies.'** 7. **Page 5, for the statement 'The presence of oil was known in Venezuela even before the Discovery of the Americas in 1492.', suitable references may be cited for corroboration.** 8. **Page 6, first sentence to be corrected as '…. have not been directly benefited….'** 9. **Page 6, first para last sentence, '…exists' to read '…. exist'.** 10. **Page 6 second para last but one sentence to read 'It is clear….'** 11. **Page 9 second para last but one line to read'… both at the national and international level…'** 12. **Page 14, first line to read 'It also participates'.** 13. **6.1.2 first line to be appropriately corrected.** 14. **Page 17 first para first line 'benefit of…'** 15. **Throughout the text it is noted that full stop precedes the parenthesis [ ]. The other way is preferred.** 16. **7.4 first line '….employ Nigerians….'** 17. **7.5 second line 'Independent oil companies'** 18. **Page 17 second para line 8 - remove apostrophe to contractors** 19. **Page 22 para ahead of conclusion the sentence '…. This stands of the structure of corruption…' to read 'This states….'** 20. **In Conclusion, line 3…Each State….(instead of States).** 21. **In Conclusion, line 4…There are various laws…..**	
Optional/General comments	**Any reader will get a general feeling that the author has paid only little attention to the spell-check, punctuation and grammar aspects.**	

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