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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	- Many references in the text are not in reference list. For example all references on pages 4-5. - Most items in reference list have some issue. E.g. Becker G.S. (2009)-the title given is for Becker G.S. (1964). Some are incomplete e.g. Lopez-Bazo E and Motellon(2011)-where is it published? Or Ping H (2005)-where is it published? - The author should go through the list very carefully and revise. - Page 10, which states of Nigeria constitute North, South, and also the geopolitical zones. Tell Non Nigerian readers. This can be done as a note under the relevant tables - Page 10, make reference to appendix table in the presentation. - Merge tables 2 and 4 - On page 12, which sectors is the author referring to? - In drawing conclusions, the author is ignoring the main gist of the paper -regional inequality in educational attainment in Nigeria. Instead, much focus is placed on the correlation coefficient. Remember $\text{Corr}(X,Y)=\text{Corr}(Y,X)$. Policy implication of the regional inequalities? Implication of results in table 5? - Table for correlation coefficient not required. The author can report the corr coefficient in the text. - In the Appendix table write "Average education attainment (years)" in full. Also, round off the numbers to 3 decimal places. - Indicate the source of information in each table - It might be a good idea to compute gini just to check whether the inequality patterns(not magnitudes) are sensitive to method	All have been noted and taken care of. Our empirical results are robust to alternative estimation methods of inequality commonly available in the literature (e.g Gini Index and standard deviation).
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	- Title can be shortened to read "Regional Inequality of Educational Attainment in Nigeria" - The author should read through the paper carefully. There are several words joined together. Maybe because of the PDF conversion.	Noted and taken care of.



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