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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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	1. Johansen Cointegration Test: In Johansen Test, variables must be non-stationary at level and must be stationary in the first difference form. In this paper, authors find that agriculture and manufacturing output growth rates are stationary in their level as well as in their first and second difference. Therefore, they cannot use Johansen's test for cointegration. Actually, it is not needed. Since the variables are stationary at level, so thus its residuals, there is no need to check whether its residuals are stationary. All cointegration tests should be removed. 2. The authors conduct two Granger causality tests to find a different causal relationship between colonial-era and post-colonial era. For this, they should compare years of 1980 to 1990 and years of 1991 to 2012, not years of 1980 to 2012 and years of 1991 to 2012. Simply years from 1980 to 2012 includes years from 1991 to 2012, it cannot be compared correctly. Since the conclusion is based on the incorrect empirical results, it is hard to believe that the conclusion is trustworthy. 3. Namibia became independent in 1990. Was there a real economic change in 1990 and after? If yes, the authors need to support this argument with an empirical test such as Chow test or Hansen test.	We removed the section on cointegration in line with the reviewer's advice. We analysed data for once off time series than for two periods as it was in the earlier version. So we addressed the reviewer's concerns. This was taken care off by analysing data for one time series from 1981 - 2012
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	1. The authors mention about logistics and say that this is one of the crucial sectors that need special	We attended to the concern by using a mild language in avoiding giving an impression of



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	attention. However, I do not see any strong relationship between this sentence and paper's empirical results. What is the point of mentioning logistics?	how important logistics is to other sectors.
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