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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		
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Introduction: The research problem and objective were clearly defined. Also, detailed literature review was provided. Materials & methods: P7 L233: (say < 10 million naira) or (say < 15 million naira)? Results: Presentation of the results could be improved. The information contained in Tables 3, 4 and 5 were repeated in Figure 3 It sounds like the redundancy of information. It will consolidate Tables 3, 4 and 5 in one table and delete the 3. Discussion & conclusions: Results need to be discussed with other works in the field. References: References are good. However it could be improve.	Materials & Methods L233: Has been corrected. Results: The tables actually have different values representing different scenarios: best case, average and worse cases. Merging them will make the representation very clumsy. So, the presentation is optimized for clarity, not space. Discussion & conclusions: This field is a multi-disciplinary field. Education, Mathematics, Computer Science and Investment. There's actually no work done in this area within the investigated arena, Nigerian universities. References: Noted.



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<u>Optional/General</u> comments	The problem of university funding is a serious problem in most countries. This study outlines a very interesting solution approach focusing on the possibility that universities have to generate income and profit on investment software. The methodology used is interesting. However, the study would be more interesting if the authors used the actual statistics of some universities. Otherwise, authors should justify the values set in the assumptions and that these values reflect reality. The authors mentioned of course that these figures are based on experiences and statistics, it will be noted in the document. In Figure 1, for example, the authors showed that the student population is increasing exponentially, but in the cases they considered rather an arithmetical increase? That does not this contradict the reality? I also find as the authors noted in their discussion that many factors have been omitted from the simulation. Profits calculated do not include such operating expenses and depreciation. Can we not also imagine a function in this way. I recommend this paper to be published in the journal after some corrections.	These observations are valid but highly related to the scope of this work. We will consider these issues in our future work.
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