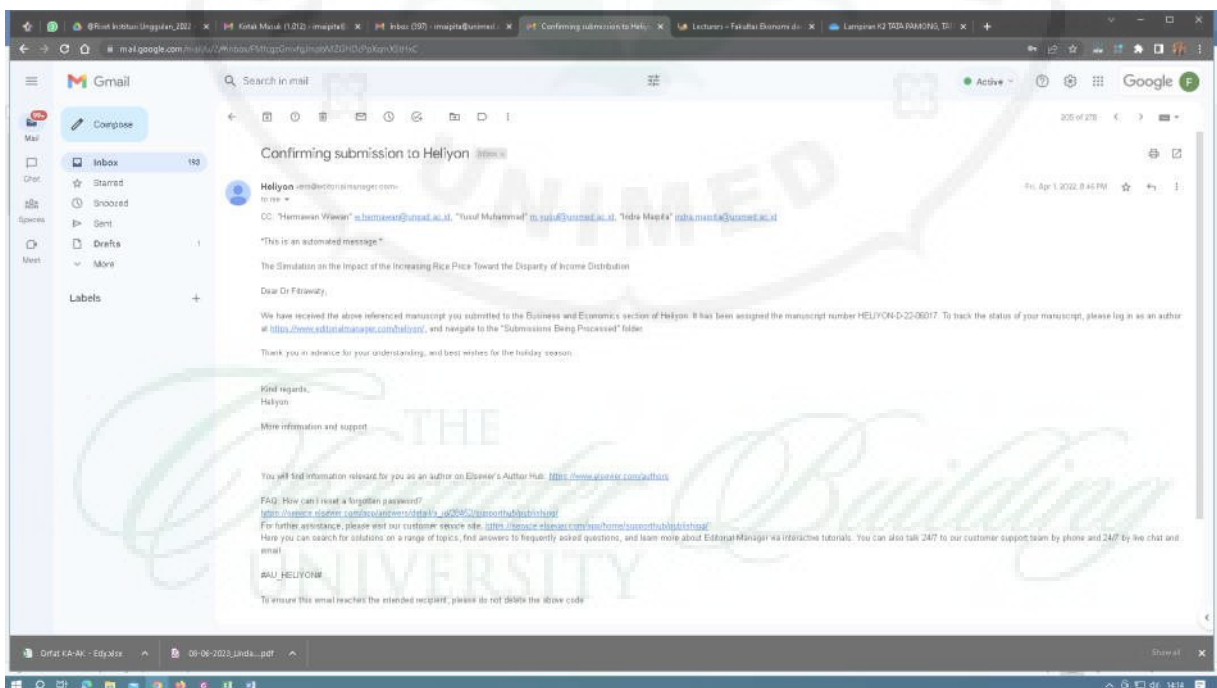
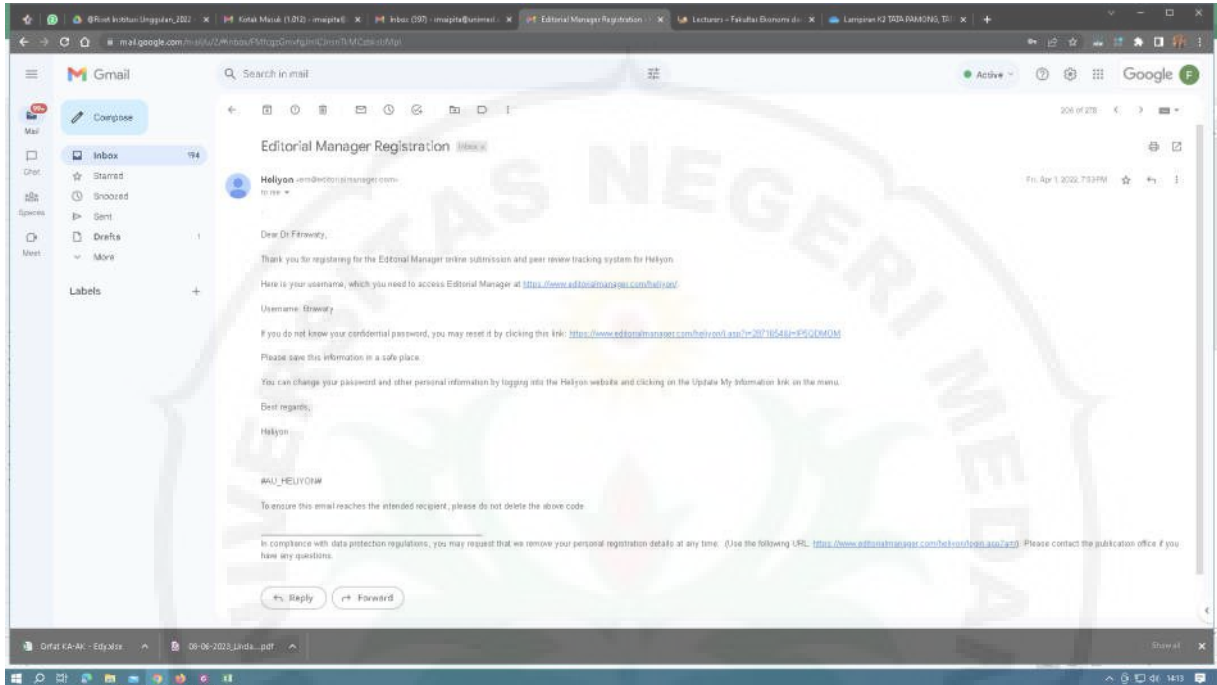
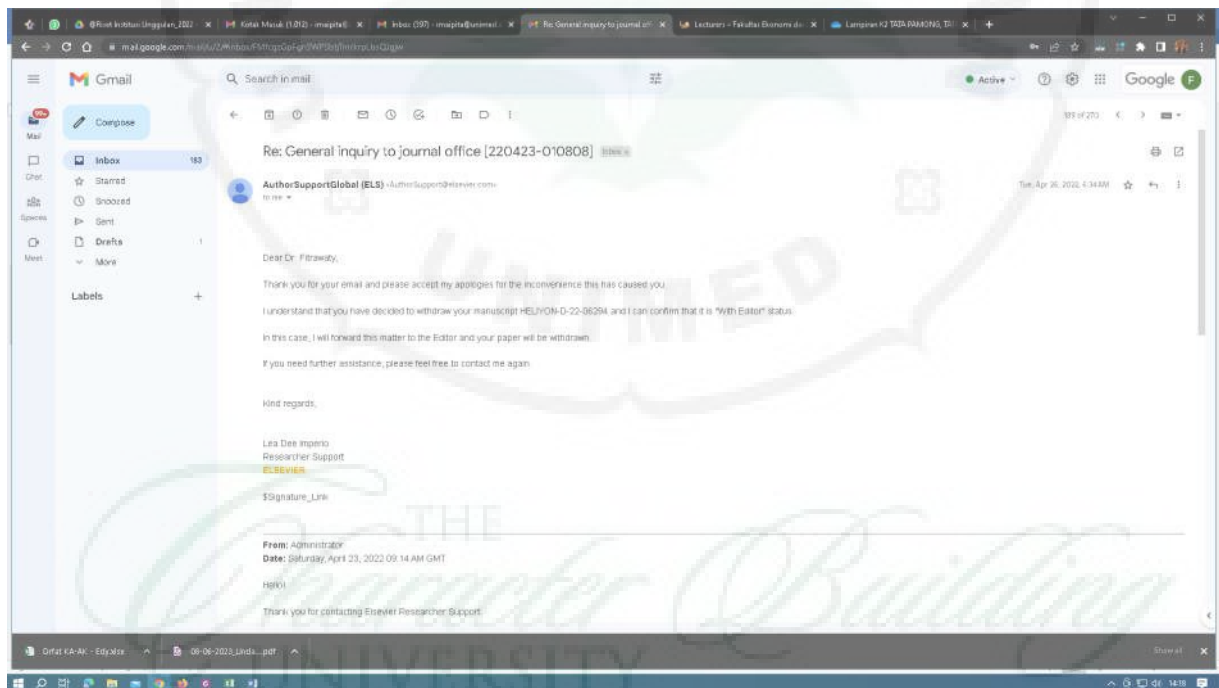
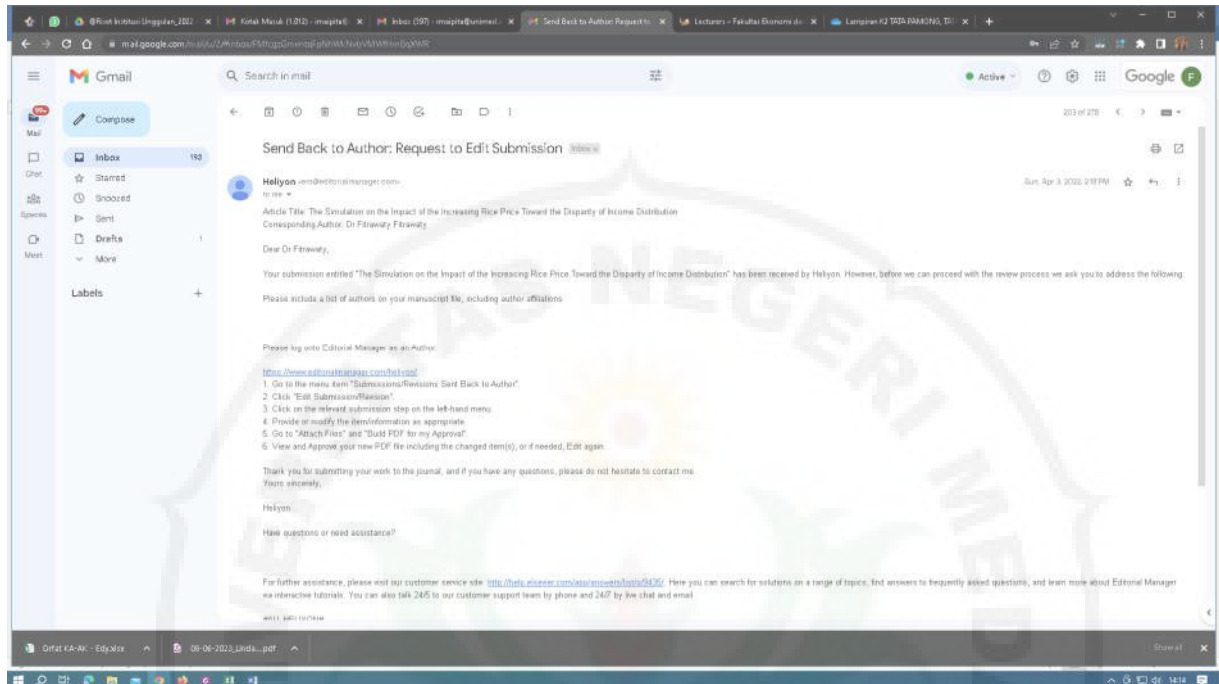
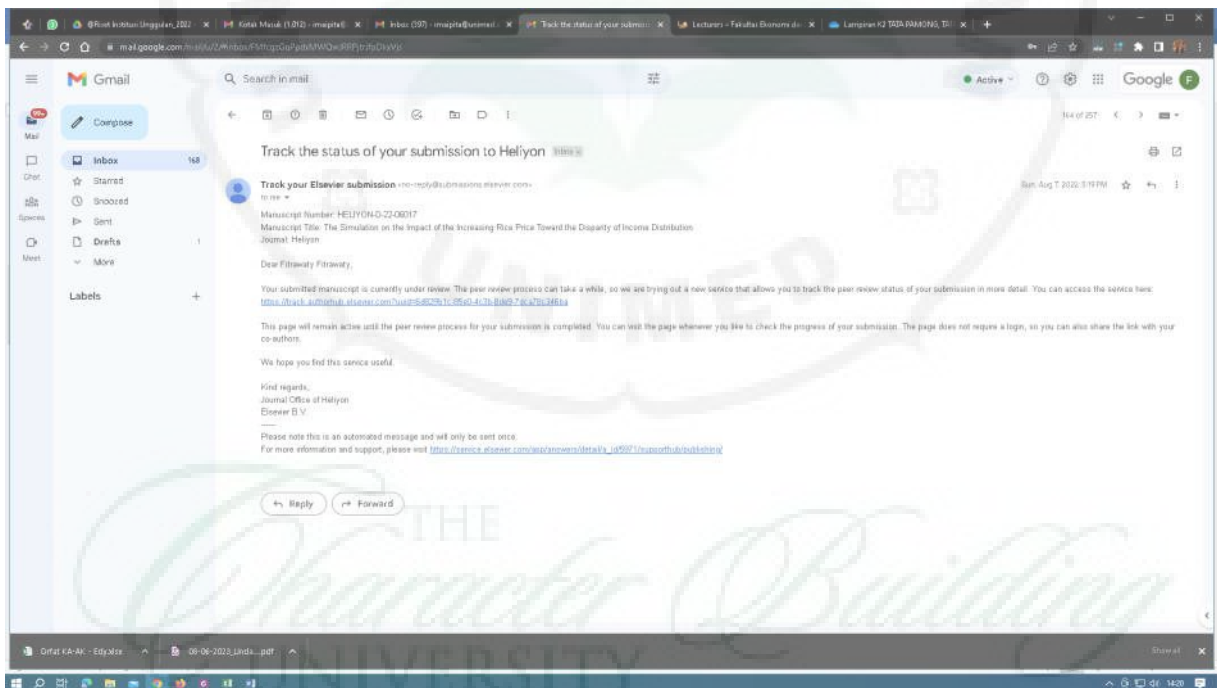
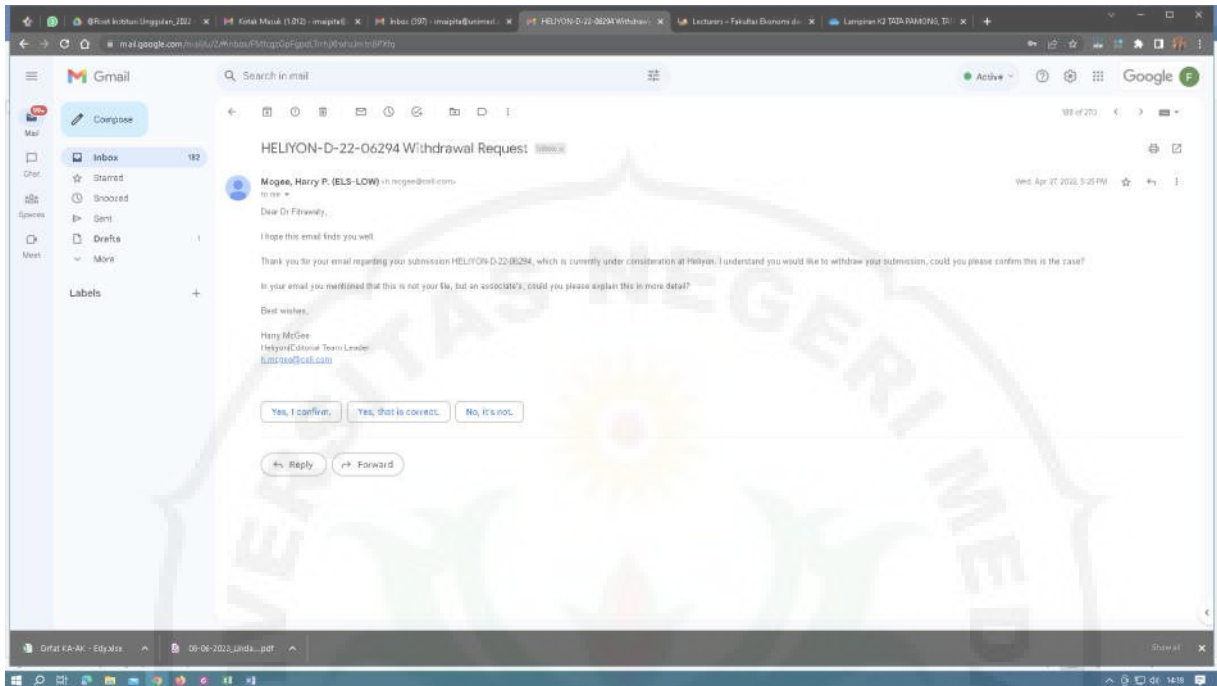


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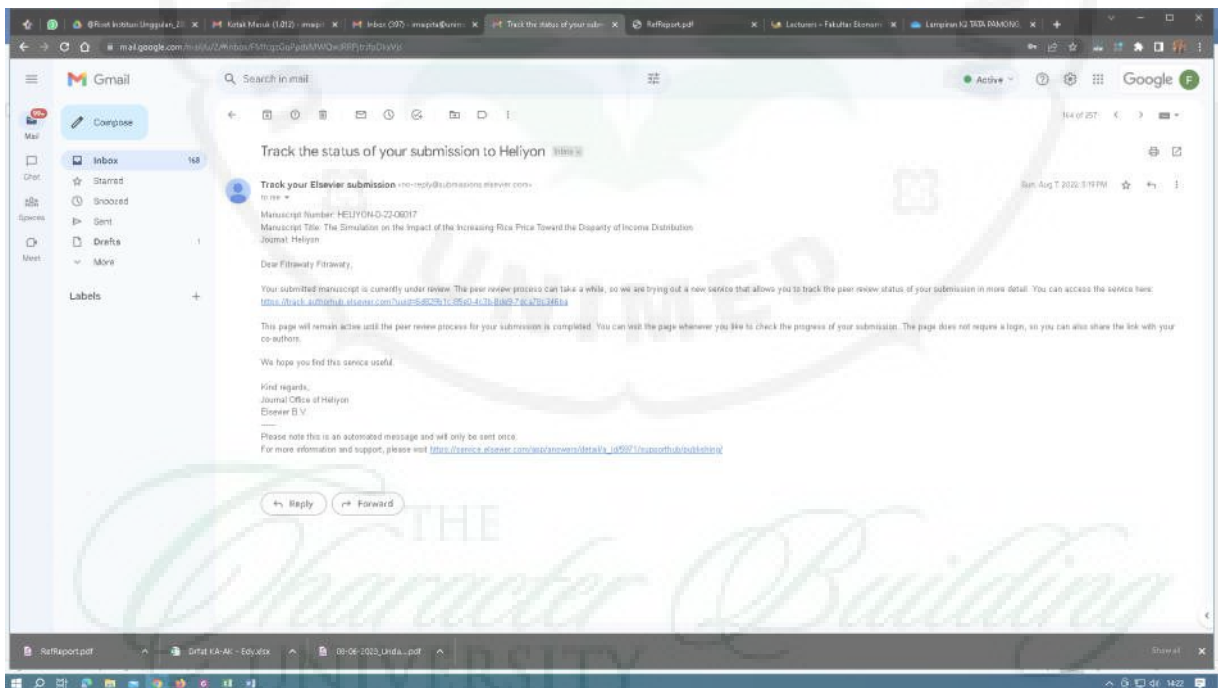
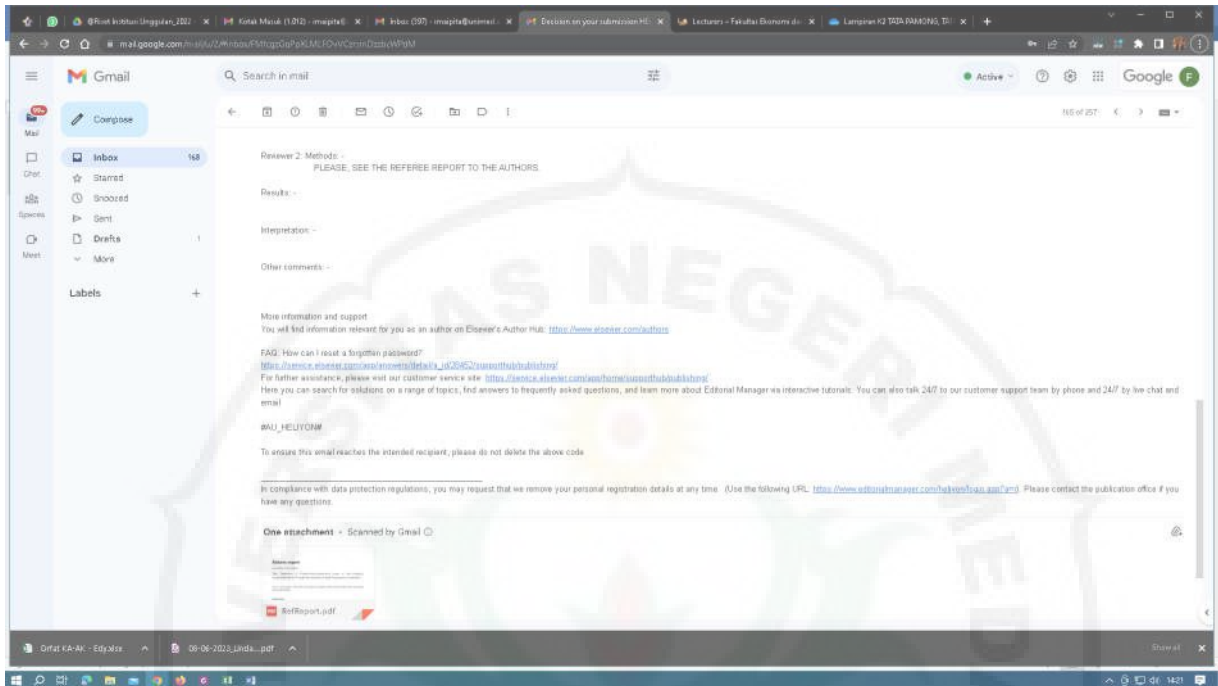
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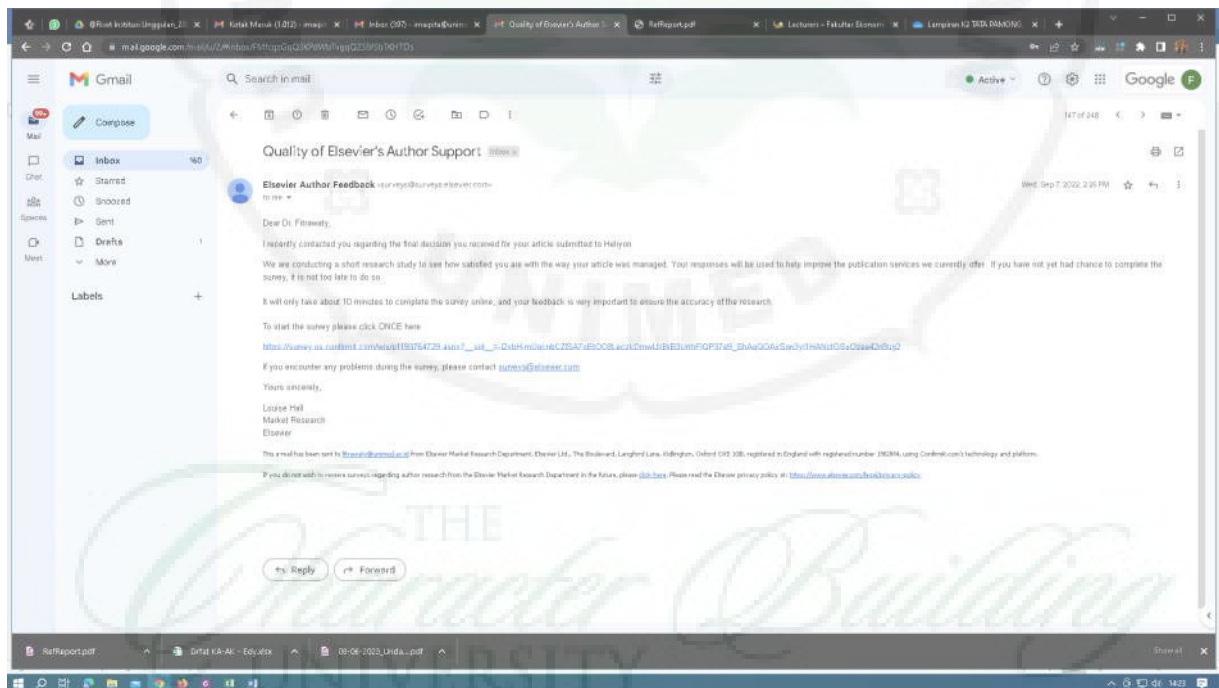
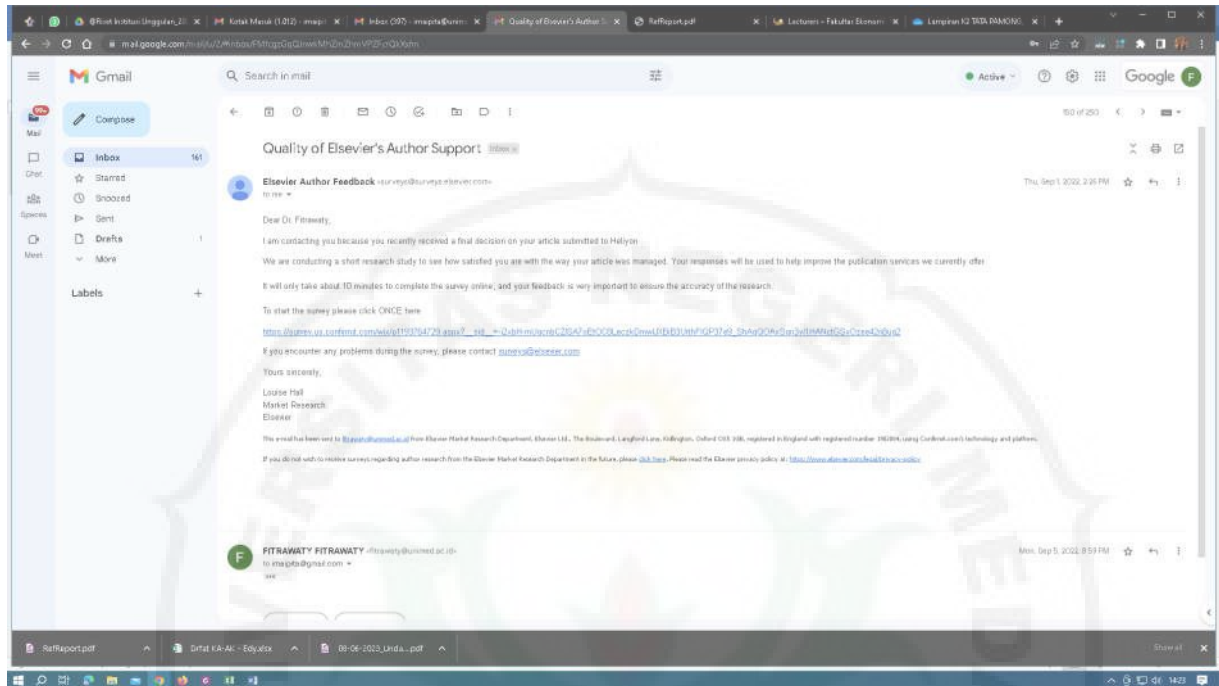
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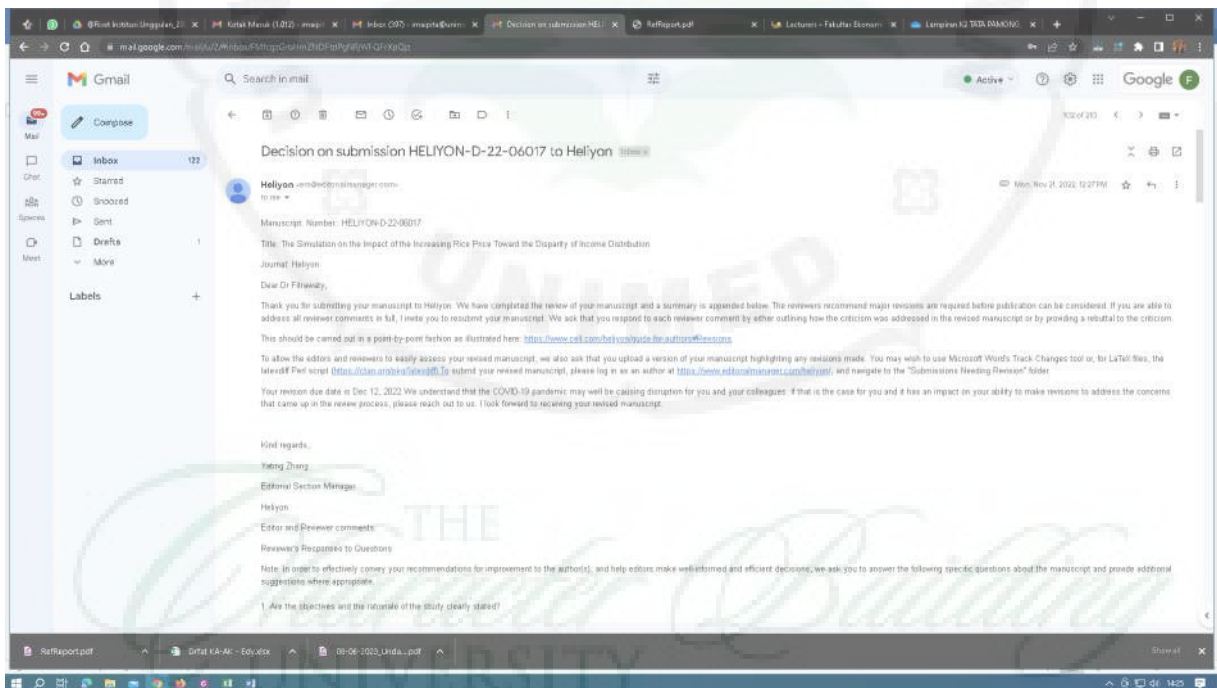
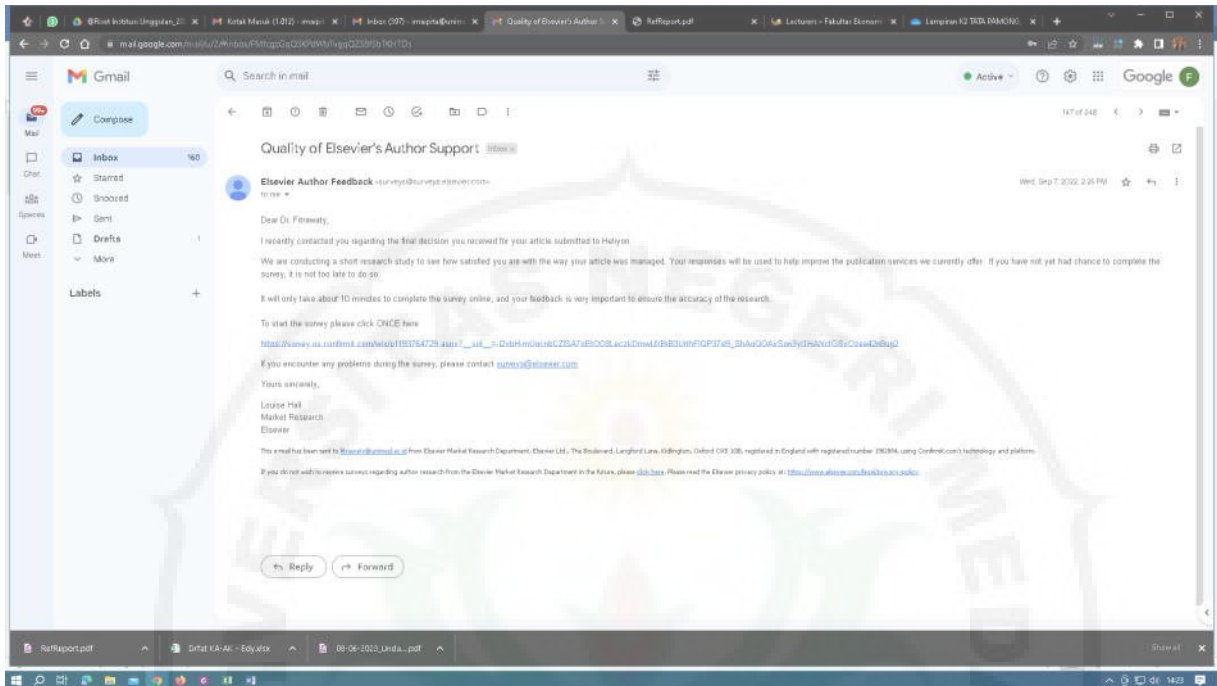
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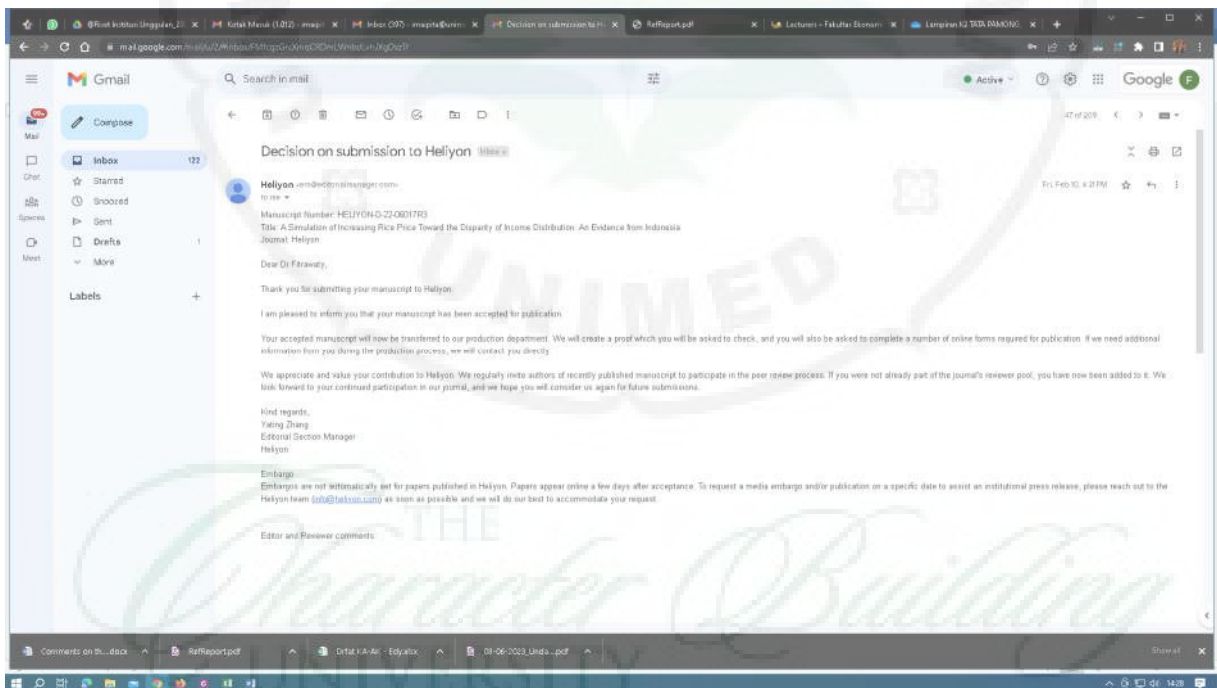
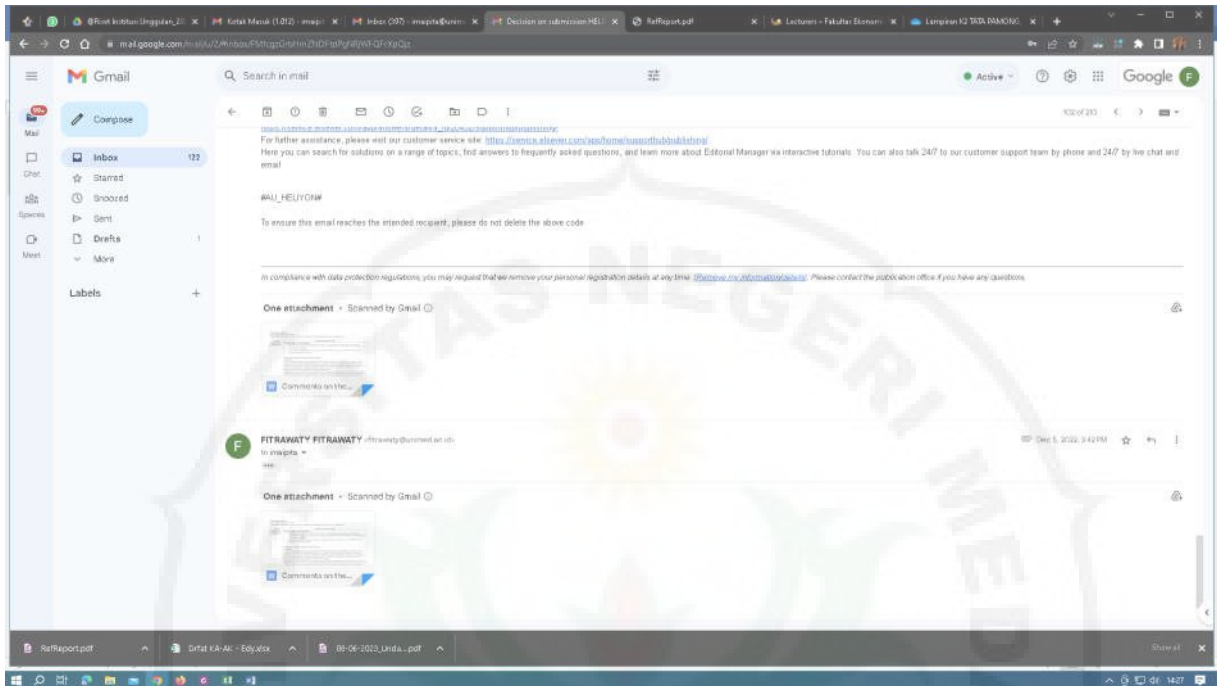
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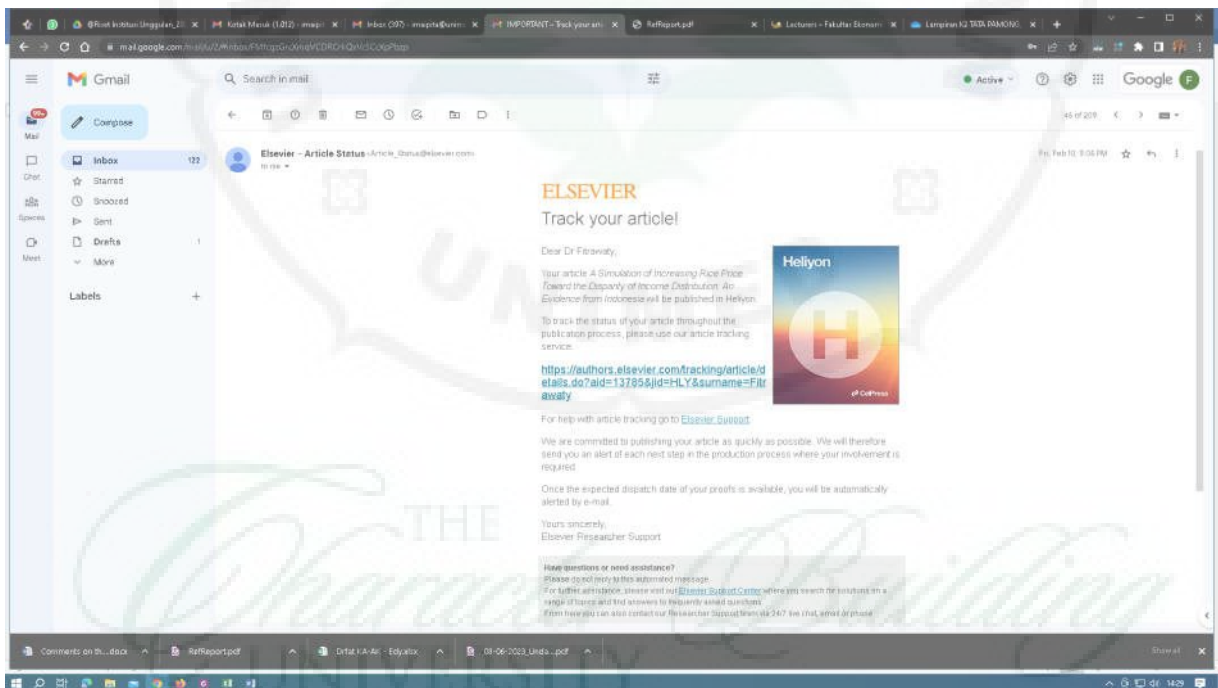
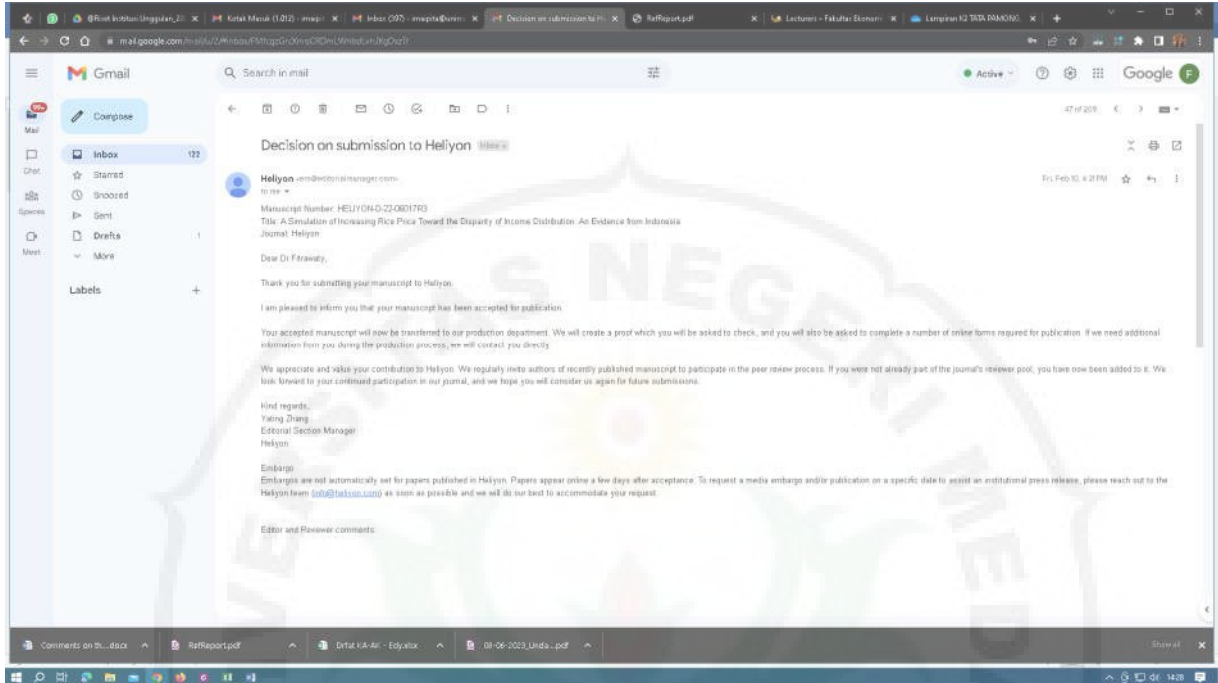
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**Paper title:** The Simulation on the Impact of the Increasing Rice Price Toward the Disparity of Income Distribution

Section	Review comments and notes
<b>Abstract, title and references</b>	<p><b>The core subject of the study is given as:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1- This study aims to analyze the impact of various factors, i.e., domestic price production level, exchange rate, international rice price, and GDP per capita, on domestic rice prices and the resultant disparity in income distribution and inequality in Indonesia.</li><li>2- Input data from 2006-2020 was used to depict the change in domestic rice prices from 2021 to 2026 due to the changes of independent variables.</li></ol> <p><b>Here are my thoughts on the abstract, title, references:</b></p> <p><b>1- Abstract:</b> I totally understand using an unstructured abstract which is typically presented in one paragraph only. However, it must convey a solution to the main research argument. Yet, it is not clear nor valid to the reader and lacks several important information such as conclusion and policy implications. Abstract is considering the gateway of any article. If it is concise and covers the complete article, it increases the reader's interest. In my opinion authors need to rewrite the abstract as a structured one where the following points should always be featured:</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> This is where you explain 'why' you undertook this study. If you are presenting new or novel research, explain the problem that you have solved. If you are building upon previous research, briefly explain why you felt it was important to do so. This is your opportunity to let readers know why you chose to study this topic or problem and its relevance. Let them know what your key argument or main finding is.</p> <p><b>Study design/methodology/approach:</b> This is 'how' you did it. Let readers know exactly what you did to reach your results. For example, did you undertake interviews? Did you carry out an experiment in the lab? What tools, methods, protocols or datasets did you use?</p> <p><b>Findings:</b> Here you can explain 'what' you found during your study, whether it answers the problem you set out to explore, and whether your hypothesis was confirmed. You need to be very clear and direct and give exact figures, rather than generalise. It's important not to exaggerate or create an expectation that your study won't fulfil.</p> <p><b>Originality/value:</b> This is your opportunity to provide readers with an analysis of the value of your results. It's a good idea to ask colleagues whether your analysis is balanced and fair and again, it's important not to exaggerate. You can also conjecture what future research steps could be.</p>

	<p><b>2- Title:</b> The title is informative, relevant, and conveys the main idea. However, I would recommend changing the title to something like <i>“A Simulation of Increasing Rice Price Toward the Disparity of Income Distribution: An Evidence from Indonesia”</i></p> <p><b>3- References:</b> The references are relevant and up to date. However, the author should have used a free reference manager like Endnote or Mendeley for the in-text citation. In general, the full list of references and in-text citations must be revised to make sure that they are indexed in respected databases such as WoS and/or Scopus.</p>
<p><b>Introduction/ Literature review</b></p>	<p>The research introduction is <b>missing</b>. What we have here as the introduction is simply the literature review. Elements that should be covered in the Introduction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ State the research problem (purpose of the study).</li> <li>○ State the aims of the study. The following is a list of questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a problem? Why is does it exist? Why does it need to be solved?</li> <li>Who will benefit from the study? In what sense will they benefit?</li> <li>How will it contribute to what is already known?</li> </ul> An important part of introduction is where you state the proposal objectives. (After addressing the above questions).</li> <li>○ Provide the context and set the stage for the research question and show its necessity and importance.</li> </ul> <p>The missing introduction could be more efficient and informative through including two more paragraphs at the end of it:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- First paragraph, the research question/aim/objective/ methodology, for example: “The aim of this study is to produce reliable results that enhance our understanding of the impact of ..... For this purpose, we adopt the use of ..... to prove the .....”</li> <li>2- Second paragraph, the outline paragraph, for example: “The rest of the study is organized as follows. The next section presents the literature on the ....., followed by the methodology used. Section four reports the main empirical results, and section five of the article draws conclusions and provides elements for consideration .....”</li> </ol>

	<p>In addition, the literature review is sufficient and up to date. Nevertheless, the researcher/s needs to give much stronger evidence of the originality of their paper by elaborating more on the literature gap related to this point at the end of the literature review section. However, the conceptual framework is clear.</p>
<p><b>Methods/ Results and Discussion</b></p>	<p>Concerning the methodology, the model specification is valid, clear, and reliable. However, there are some concerns about the steps of implementing the simulation itself.</p> <p>First, it is highly recommended that starting point should be from the descriptive analysis which is missing. Furthermore, the statistical analysis is missing the robustness tests before implementing any simulation. The unit root test is missing. No optimal lag selection has been determined. Do we have any sign of cointegration?</p>
<p><b>Conclusion</b></p>	<p>The conclusion and recommendation section is sufficient. However, the author needs to extend the section by adding limitations (if any) and stating some future research. Moreover, make sure that your conclusion emphasizes the scientific value and contribution of your paper.</p>
<p><b>English</b></p>	<p>The paper needs professional proofreading service to improve English as well as writing style throughout the paper, including the abstract and the main text as there are both grammar and style errors throughout.</p>



# Referee report

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Title: Settlement of Problem/Non-performing Loans in Non-Litigation Government Banks Through the Authority of State Prosecutors in Indonesia

This is a short paper. Few parts of the paper are poorly written and the paper does not provide interesting findings.

## Introduction

In many parts of the paper, the authors use too much time and effort to present self-evident material. For instance, in the first paragraph of the introduction. Please, shorten the first paragraph.

The authors have too many citations in their manuscript. In the first paragraph of the Introduction, for example, we observe a citation (reference) at the end of each sentence even if the authors repeat familiar facts. The authors do not “steal” or “affiliate” any important findings even if they drop the citations.

The authors cite mostly internationally unknown authors and journals. They should pay more attention to the famous international researchers and journals. Obviously, some local information from Indonesia is needed.

## Section 1: Overview of the credit banking.

Given the total length of the manuscript (very short), this section is too long. The section includes too much simple and self-evident text.

Page 6: paragraph “In addition, the valuables .. “

I propose that the authors cut the last sentence of the paragraph: Besides, ... It is self-evident and replicates the ideas of the first paragraph of the Introduction.

Pages 6 and 7: paragraph “Furthermore, ... “

Unfortunately, I do not fully understand the last sentences of the paragraph. Can you, please, be more exact (verbose) in this context.

## **Section 2: Non-performing loans ...**

If the authors will publish this manuscript in the international scientific journal, I propose that they eliminate the first paragraph of the section. I would also eliminate the second paragraph of the section and shorten the third paragraph.

According to my point of view, the key ideas of the paper – nonperforming loans – do not attain enough attention in the current manuscript. Therefore, I propose that the authors reduce secondary material and concentrate on nonperforming loans.

On page 9, the authors achieve the main area of the manuscript, nonperforming loans.

Is *account mutations* = *account movements*? Explain in the text.

Can you explain more precisely (for instance, in a footnote) what account movements mean in this context? Why do they provide valuable information?

Pages 9-15 represent the best part of the manuscript.

## **Recommendations**

The authors should decide what they really want to say in their paper, focus on it and eliminate most of the secondary material. The current “findings” of the paper are not so valuable.

There exists plenty of international literature on nonperforming loans. The authors should read this material and extend/improve their manuscript according to this literature/international evidence.

**Nonperforming loans (evergreening, bank bailouts etc.) are a common problem in several countries. Is this problem very serious in some countries? Why? The authorities of the other countries have aimed to find out solutions for this problem. What kind of solutions have proved to be successful elsewhere? Why? Should Indonesia pursue/copy the same kind of policies/legislation?**

Exact numerical values make the text more scientific.

It is possible that the readers of the other countries – that is, the readers of the international scientific journals - do not find the special characteristics of the Indonesian legislation and the Indonesian economy so interesting. Therefore, I recommend that the authors extend the manuscript and submit it to an Indonesian scientific journal. The readers of the journal, mostly Indonesian authorities, may find the revised and extended recommendations very interesting and useful.

### Minor comments

Page 3: “lack of monetary policy of the borrowers..”. What does this mean? How can a borrower – for example, a farmer – have monetary policy? Please, be more exact in this context.

Page 6: “..assisting government institutions in collecting text revenues .. “. Do the authors mean tax revenues?

### Literature

I do not give a long list of the literature. The authors can start by reading the following articles.

Aghion, Philippe – Bolton, Patrick – Fries, Steven (1999): Optimal design of bank bailouts .. , Journal of Theoretical and Institutional Economics 155(1), 51-70.

Mitchell, Janet (2001): Bad debt and the cleaning of bank’s balance sheets .. . Journal of Financial Intermediation 10(1), 1-27.



