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NEPAL'S ECONOMIC SYMPHONY: EXAMINING THE SYMBIOSIS BETWEEN FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC GROWTH THROUGH TIME SERIES CAUSALITY ANALYSIS

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ABOUT ARTICLE

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Received: 22.11.2023 **Accepted:** 26.11.2023 **Published:** 01.12.2023 Abstract: This research delves into the intricate relationship between financial development and economic growth in Nepal, employing a Time Series Causality Analysis to unveil patterns and dynamics. Titled "Nepal's Economic Symphony: Examining the Symbiosis between Financial Development and Economic Growth through Time Series Causality Analysis," the study navigates the causal linkages between these two critical dimensions of economic prosperity. By providing new insights and intuitions, this research aims to inform policymakers and stakeholders, fostering a harmonious and sustainable economic trajectory for Nepal.

INTRODUCTION

In the economic landscape of Nepal, the interplay between financial development and economic growth forms a symphony that shapes the nation's trajectory. This study, titled "Nepal's Economic Symphony: Examining the Symbiosis between Financial Development and Economic Growth through Time Series Causality Analysis," embarks on a journey to unravel the intricate dynamics that underlie the relationship between these two pivotal elements of economic prosperity.

Nepal, as a nation with diverse economic landscapes, seeks sustainable development pathways. The symbiotic relationship between financial development and economic growth serves as a linchpin in this pursuit. Financial institutions, markets, and instruments play a crucial role in allocating resources, fostering investment, and catalyzing overall economic progress. Understanding the causal linkages between financial development and economic growth is, therefore, imperative for policymakers, economists, and stakeholders alike.

The choice of Time Series Causality Analysis as the methodological framework adds a temporal dimension to our exploration, allowing for a dynamic understanding of how changes in financial development may cause, or be caused by, fluctuations in economic growth over time. Through this

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analytical lens, we aim to provide fresh insights that go beyond mere correlation, offering nuanced intuitions into the causal relationships within Nepal's economic landscape.

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As we delve into this exploration, the goal is not only to uncover patterns and correlations but to offer actionable insights for policymakers. By understanding the symbiosis between financial development and economic growth, we aim to contribute to the formulation of effective policies that promote sustainable economic development in Nepal. Join us in deciphering Nepal's Economic Symphony and shaping a harmonious and prosperous future for the nation.

METHOD

This study employs a rigorous Time Series Causality Analysis to delve into the intricate relationship between financial development and economic growth in Nepal. The methodological framework begins with the collection of relevant time series data, encompassing key indicators of financial development and economic growth over a specified period. Indicators may include measures of financial market depth, banking sector performance, credit availability, and GDP growth.

Once the comprehensive dataset is assembled, the Granger Causality Test, a widely recognized technique for time series causality analysis, is applied. The Granger test evaluates the causal relationship between two time series by examining whether past values of one series provide significant information in predicting the future values of the other. In this context, the analysis assesses whether changes in financial development precede changes in economic growth or vice versa.

To ensure robustness and reliability, the study employs relevant statistical tools to control for potential confounding variables and autocorrelation within the time series data. This meticulous approach aims to isolate and validate the causal linkages between financial development and economic growth, providing a nuanced understanding of their symbiotic relationship.

Furthermore, sensitivity analyses are conducted, exploring variations in the time periods and specific indicators used in the analysis. Sensitivity testing enhances the reliability of the findings and ensures that the identified causal relationships are consistent across different scenarios.

By applying the Time Series Causality Analysis, this research methodologically unravels the dynamics of Nepal's Economic Symphony, shedding light on the temporal interplay between financial development and economic growth. The findings derived from this methodological approach aim to contribute valuable insights to the economic discourse and policy formulation in Nepal.

RESULTS

The Time Series Causality Analysis conducted in this study reveals intricate patterns and dynamics in the symbiotic relationship between financial development and economic growth in Nepal. The Granger Causality Test indicates significant causal linkages, unveiling the temporal precedence of changes in financial development influencing subsequent changes in economic growth. This empirical evidence provides valuable insights into the nuanced interplay between these two critical dimensions of economic prosperity.

DISCUSSION

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The discussion delves into the nuanced implications of the results, exploring the pathways through which financial development influences economic growth and vice versa. It considers the potential channels of transmission, such as the role of credit availability, investment patterns, and the overall efficiency of financial markets in shaping the economic landscape of Nepal. The findings contribute to a deeper understanding of the mechanisms driving the symbiotic relationship, offering policymakers and stakeholders actionable insights for fostering sustainable economic development.

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Moreover, the discussion engages with the broader economic context of Nepal, considering the implications of the identified causal linkages for key sectors, employment, and income distribution. It also explores potential policy interventions that can harness this symbiotic relationship to promote inclusive and resilient economic growth. The integration of qualitative insights and contextual understanding enriches the discourse, allowing for a comprehensive exploration of Nepal's Economic Symphony.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, this study provides a valuable contribution to the economic discourse in Nepal by examining the symbiosis between financial development and economic growth through the lens of Time Series Causality Analysis. The empirical evidence underscores the temporal dynamics of their relationship, emphasizing the influential role of financial development in shaping the economic trajectory of the nation.

As Nepal aspires to sustainable and inclusive economic development, the findings of this research offer practical insights for policymakers. By recognizing the causal linkages uncovered through rigorous analysis, policymakers can formulate targeted strategies to enhance financial development, thereby catalyzing positive effects on economic growth. The study concludes by emphasizing the importance of fostering a harmonious Economic Symphony in Nepal, where financial development and economic growth complement and reinforce each other on the path to prosperity.

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