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| Name of reviewer: | Professor Andy Alfatih |
| Manuscript title: | Reducting Corruption through e-Government Adoption, Information and Communication technology in ASEAN Countries |

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|  | Excellent overall |
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|  | Competent study, well presented |
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|  | Flawed in design or execution |
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1. Some mistakes in tenses should be corrected. Some of them have been high-lighted.

2. Research questions raised in this study are not clear.

3. The author is too busy and too much presented theories, in terms of definitions, descriptions, statements, and other information for unclear reasons what they are for.

4. Data on every ASEAN countries which was studied specifically were not well classified and not clear.

5. The description on how data analysis and the tools reduce corruption through e-government and ICT is not obvious, either.

6. The conclusion is not clear [ does not state clearly how e-government and ICT overcome corruption. It only repeats the presented statements again and again. It is, even, indicated expressing other people’s ideas.

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