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Role of Income Inequality in Decreasing Quality of Life in Malaysia

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ABSTRACT

Purpose: The aim of this research papers is to address the aspects and role of income inequality in decreasing the quality of life in Malaysia.

Methodology: The collection of data is conducted through secondary sources where the data is gathered from 1971 till 2020. The numerical data taken for the study requires to conduct the statistical analysis techniques for which the statistical software STATA has been used for generating results. The analytical techniques that are applied on the dataset comprises of descriptive statistics and unit root testing. Based on the results of unit root, the ARDL technique is applied for evaluating the influence of income inequality on quality of life.

Results: The findings of the study indicates that the previous quality of life negatively affects the current quality of life in the current lag. The results of the study further indicates that quality of life has a significant impact on the income inequality of the country and this is due to the wealthy population being accommodated more and the poor people are getting less resources

Implications: It will increase the scope of future studies and enable the different variables to be considered and will cause the study to be carried out in an effective and efficient manner.

Another implication is that involving the qualitative aspect in future studies will cause the overall scope of the study to increase

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