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| PART 1: Comments | | |
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| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | "Green Budgeting and Climate Change - with Special Focus on Subnational Governments in India" is a very thorough and up-to-date report that describes the way green budgeting can become a leading instrument in adjusting fiscal policy to climate objectives. The study’s attention to subnational governments is quite interesting since Indian states are the primary actors in the execution of climate-related policies and the running of environmental programs at the local level. | Thank you for recognizing the scientific contribution of our manuscript. We agree that proper implementation of green budgeting can be an effective fiscal policy instrument for climate change and the role of subnational governments is crucial. We believe this study adds value to policy and academic discourse on subnational climate finance. |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?**  **(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | **Suitable.** | Noted with thanks |
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