DETERMINANTS OF BANK LENDING: A MALAYSIA CASE

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ABSTRAK

Kajian ini bertujuan untuk menganalisis hubungan antara aktiviti ekonomi dan jumlah pinjaman bank di Malaysia. Kajian ini adalah terhad kepada institusi perbankan Malaysia dalam tempoh 1996 hingga 2010. Jumlah pinjaman merupakan pembolehubah bersandar. Sementara pembolehubah bebas terdiri daripada kadar faedah, inflasi dan indeks pengeluaran perindustrian. Objektif utama kajian ini adalah untuk menentukan sama ada aktiviti-aktiviti ekonomi mempunyai kesan kepada jumlah pinjaman bank di Malaysia.

Hasil kajian menunjukan hanya indeks pengeluaran perindustrian mempunyai hubungan signifikan dengan jumlah pinjaman bank di Malaysia. Ini menunjukkan bahawa setiap peningkatan dalam indeks pengeluaran perindustrian akan meningkatkan pinjaman bank di Malaysia.

ABSTRACT

This study aims to analyze the relationship between the economic activities and bank loans in Malaysia. This empirical analysis of this study is to Malaysian banking institutions during the period of year 1996 until the year 2010. The total loans were used as the dependent variable. The three variables including interest rate, inflation and industrial production index as independent variables. The main objective of this study is to determine whether economic activities have a significant effect of bank lending in Malaysia.

The result indicates that only industrial production index have a significant effect to bank lending in Malaysia. This shows that as increase in industrial production index will increase the bank loans in Malaysia.

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BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY

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1.1 Bank Lending

A bank is a financial institution and a financial intermediary that accepts deposits and channels those deposits into lending activities, either directly by loaning or indirectly through capital markets. A bank is the connection between customers that have capital deficits and customers with capital surpluses (Study mode, 2013). The basic operation of a bank is referred to as asset transformation. The bank uses customer deposits to finance loans to private persons and businesses that need money to borrow. The deposits which are an asset to the depositors are converted to loans which are an asset to the bank (Mishkin & Earkin, 2009). Furthermore, the value of the bank’s assets (loans) may drop due to borrower becomes unable or unwilling to

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