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Abstract

Over the last three decades, most of developing countries pay more attention to foreign direct investments (FDI) activities, at both national and international level. Economists believe that FDI is one of the most important sources of globalization and an important catalyst for economic growth, especially for the developing countries. FDI can be one of the sources of capital to stimulate the economy of the country, as well as a contributor to the national development through the transfer of an asset, generators of employment, high productivity, competitiveness, management, and technology spillovers. However, deficiency in quality and a limited quantity of electricity is one of the issues that remains a perpetual bugbear that hampering Indonesia's economic and social development. The objective of this study is to investigate whether electricity consumption affects the inflow of FDI in Indonesia. The analysis is based on Autoregressive Distributed Lag (ARDL) model using time series annual data from 1980-2016 of FDI, electricity consumption, and other macroeconomic variables such as GDP, exchange rate, openness, labor force, and education expenditure as control variables. Using various econometric techniques like Unit Root Test, Bounds Test, Cointegrating and long-run test and Granger causality test, it was found that there are a long-run relationship and positive correlation between electricity consumption and FDI in Indonesia. However, Granger causality result shows that there is no causality running from FDI to electricity consumption and vice versa.

Keywords: electricity consumption, foreign direct investment, Indonesia

Abstrak

Sepanjang tiga dekad yang lalu, kebanyakan negara sedang membangun lebih menumpu ke atas aktiviti pelaburan langsung asing (FDI), di peringkat kebangsaan dan antarabangsa. Ahli ekonomi percaya bahawa FDI adalah salah satu daripada sumber globalisasi yang paling penting dan pemangkin penting bagi pertumbuhan ekonomi terutamanya di negara sedang membangun. FDI boleh menjadi salah satu sumber modal untuk merangsang ekonomi negara, serta penyumbang kepada pembangunan negara dengan pemindahan aset, penjana pekerjaan, produktiviti tinggi, daya saing, pengurusan, dan tumpuan teknologi. Walau bagaimanapun, kekurangan dalam kualiti dan kuantiti elektrik yang terhad merupakan salah satu isu yang menghalang pembangunan ekonomi dan sosial Indonesia. Objektif kajian ini adalah untuk menyiasat sama ada penggunaan elektrik mempengaruhi aliran masuk FDI di Indonesia. Analisis ini berdasarkan kepada model Lag Terdistribusi Autoregressive (ARDL) dengan menggunakan data tahun siri masa 1980-2016 meliputi FDI, penggunaan elektrik, dan pemboleh ubah makroekonomi seperti KDNK, kadar pertukaran, keterbukaan, tenaga buruh, dan perbelanjaan Pendidikan sebagai pemboleh ubah kawalan. Dengan pelbagai teknik ekonometrik seperti Ujian Unit Root, Ujian Bounds, Cointegrating dan uji jangka panjang dan ujian kausal Granger, didapati bahawa terdapat hubungan jangka panjang dan korelasi positif antara penggunaan elektrik dan FDI di Indonesia. Walau bagaimanapun, hasil kausal Granger menunjukkan bahawa tidak ada hubungan kausaliti dari FDI ke penggunaan elektrik dan sebaliknya.

Kata kunci: penggunaan elektrik, pelaburan langsung asing, Indonesia.

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List of Abbreviations

ADF	Augmented Dickey-Fuller
ARDL	Autoregressive Distributed lag
CUSUM	Cumulative Sum of Recursive Residuals
ECM	Error Correction Model
ECT	Error Correction Term
EDU	Education Expenditure
ELC	Electric Power Consumption
EXC	Exchange Rate
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GMM	Generalized Method of Moment
LFP	Labor Force Participation
MNEs	Multinational Enterprises
OLS	Ordinary Least Squares
OPN	Openness
TNCs	Transnational Corporations
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
VEC	Vector Error Correction
VECM	Vector Error Correction Model
WEF	World Economic Forum

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of Study

Amid the 60s, Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) was essentially not an extremely alluring but rather respected with incredible doubt by most developing nations including Indonesia. FDI was viewed as a risk to national sovereignty and was associated with decreasing social welfare by manipulating transfer costs and the formation of enclaves. The coming to the energy of President Soeharto in 1965 saw a sharp change in monetary strategy settings, with the presentation of multi-year financial plans to manage improvement.

On March 11, 1966, Soeharto's New Order government profoundly changed the FDI atmosphere while reestablishing Indonesia's association with the industrialist world economy. In response to the pressure of the early 1980s, Indonesia is compelled to change their monetary arrangement to wind up noticeably more market-situated, and FDI had all the earmarks of being one of the most straightforward approaches to get an external source of financing without expanding the outside obligation of the nation.

The roles and benefits of FDI in developing economies have been long debated. FDI is no longer considered only as an augmenting the capital inflows, however as a noteworthy channel for innovation and administration practice transfer, and aptitudes improvement and advancement, and additionally to access global promoting systems (Hymer, 1976; Rugman, 1980; Dunning, 1980; Mallampally & Sauvart, 1999; Nunnenkamp, 2002). In this manner, the worldwide economy has been totally changed

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