



TIME SERIES MODELING OF NIGERIAN STOCK EXCHANGE INDEX (NSEI) AND USD/NGN EXCHANGE RATES

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ABSTRACT

This study performed time series modeling of NSEI and USD/NGN Exchange rates. Monthly data spanning from January 2007 to December 2018 was used. Data was sourced from the Central Bank of Nigeria statistical bulletin. The models employed were ARMA model, GARCH (1,1) model and Granger Causality test. Both series were stationary at first difference. The All Share Index of the Nigerian Stock Exchange suggests ARIMA (0,1,0), a white noise process, and at such, GARCH (1,1) model was adopted, while USD/NGN exchange rate suggested ARMA (4,1,0) model, but residual were conditionally heteroskedastic, hence GARCH (1,1) model was also adopted and estimated and they Granger Cause each other.

Keywords: Exchange rate, Stock Price, ARMA Model, GARCH (1, 1) Model, Granger Causality Test.

INTRODUCTION

There is need to understand the behavior of exchange rate and stock market in terms of their relationship when they fluctuate, reason being that these financial markets play major roles in influencing the development of a country's economy. This issue has received considerable attention of economists, policy makers and investment community for a long time. Changes in exchange rate pose foreign exchange risk because it is one of the main determinants of business profitability and equity process. Changes in exchange rate affect the prices of goods in the international markets and this in turn affects the profit margin of exporters and importers. Through stock exchange, savings are mobilized and efficiently allocated to achieve economic growth (Alile, 1984). The Nigerian stock market performed fairly well as there was steady increase in the market capitalization (the total value of listed shares). It recorded the highest value of ₦13.2294 trillion in 2007 but collapsed to ₦9.564 trillion in 2008 due to the global financial meltdown and it has continued declining. Reports showed that the index suffered mightily in 2015 and 2016 as low oil prices, militant attacks, currency depreciation, Ebola and elections attacked investor's sentiments. But in 2017, the Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) revived as it recorded a lot of success and growth.

For the first time in three years, the NSE closed the year in the positive note as the All Share Index returned 42.30% year-on-year. It was ranked the third best capital market in the world (according to S & P Dow Jones Indices). Market capitalization grew positively to close at ₦13.61 trillion as opposed to ₦9.25 trillion recorded in 2016. From 2009, the Nigerian currency against the US dollar has been oscillating downward, though slightly appreciated by 0.12% in 2013, but continued trending downward as it recorded ₦158.55, ₦192.44, ₦253.39 and ₦305, for 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 respectively. Changes in exchange rates and stock market prices have been a source of concern in many economies including Nigeria.

Researchers have divergent views on the issue of exchange rate and stock price relationship. Reports from studies like Doong *et al* (2005), Rjoub (2012) and Umoru and Asekone (2013) revealed bi-directional linkage between the variables, while Maku and Alanda (2009) and Olugbenga (2012) reported a uni-directional relationship. Still others like Ong and Izan (1999) confirmed a weak relationship and Ozar (2006), no causal linkage and co-integration between stock prices and exchange rates. Indeed there is no fixed pattern regarding the relationship of these variables. This research work seeks to model the relationship between *NSEI* and *USD/NGN* exchange rates. Also no study has been conducted within the time frame used by this research work. This paper is structured as follows; Section two (2); reviewed literature, Section three (3); reported data and methodology, Section four (4); discussion and Section five (5); conclusion.

LITERATURE REVIEW

Several researchers, both theoretical and empirical have revealed evidences regarding the relationship between the changes in exchange rates and how it affects stock prices. From related theories, the purchasing power parity (PPP) originally developed as a theory for exchange rate determination, holds that currencies are valued for what they will buy. The relative external value of two currencies, i.e. the exchange rates between them is determined by their relative internal purchasing power as measured by the ratio of the general price level in the two countries concerned. It follows that changes in the relative national price levels determine changes in the exchange rate ratio. In particular, the theory predicts that the percentage ratio of change in exchange rate will tend to equal the differential between the rates of price inflation at home and abroad. According to Madura (2009), price rates vary



among countries, which cause international trade patterns and exchange rates to adjust accordingly. Madura argued that when a country's inflation rise, the demand for its currency as well as its export decline due to their high prices, therefore consumers and firms in their country tend to increase their imports. The theory bases its prediction of exchange rate movement on changing patterns of trade due to different inflation rates between countries. Purchasing power parity suggests that prices of the same basket of product in two different countries should be equal when measured in a common currency because consumers will shift their demand to wherever prices are lower without international trade barriers and transport costs.

Another theory is the Arbitrage Pricing Theory (*APT*). *APT* is an equilibrium model which determines equilibrium rates of return on the capital market. Rashid and Karachi (2007) held that according to Arbitrage theory, a rise in real interest rate reduces the present value of a firm's future cash flows and causes stock prices to fall. But at the same time, a higher interest rate stimulates the capital inflow and therefore, exchange rate falls. In this regard, the model assumes that macroeconomic variable such as exchange rate can have effect on the stock market. Stock Oriented Model or the Portfolio Approach postulates that changes in stock prices affects movement in exchange rates through portfolio adjustments (inflow/outflow of foreign capital). This approach believes that an inflow in foreign capital rises as upward trend in stock prices is recorded. However, a reduction in stock prices would induce a reduction in domestic investor's wealth, which will result to a fall in the demand for money and money authorities will reduce the interest rates causing capital outflow from the country and consequently currency depreciation. It also points out that from the country where there is a fall in local currency, exporting goods become attractive which increases foreign demand and hence revenue for the firm and its value appreciates, thus stock prices appreciates. Conversely, when local currency improves, exporting firm's profit reduces, thereby affecting its value of stock prices negatively, Jorion (1991).

Flow Oriented Model or the Traditional approach is another theoretical argument about relationship between stock prices and exchange rates. This theory assumes that changes in exchange rates affects firm's value through competitiveness of the firm's exports, which in turn results in changes in the value of firms assets and liabilities, culminating in higher profits and

reflecting its stock prices. Several empirical studies regarding the relationship between stock prices and exchange rates have been carried out for different countries. Abdalla and Murinda (1979) looked at the long-run relationship between stock prices and exchange rates as they investigated for India, Korea, Pakistan and Philippines with *VECM* (Vector Error Correction Model) framework for the period of 1985:01 – 1994:07. A unidirectional relationship was reported for Pakistan and Korea, exchange rate Granger caused the stock price index in India, while no causal relationship was evident in the case of Philippines.

Morales (2007) employed the Johansen co-integration technique, Vector Error Correction Modelling (*VECM*) and Granger Causality test to investigate the long-run and short-run association between exchange rate and stock prices in four eastern European markets; Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia. The result of the study showed no association between these variables in the long-run and short-run. However, in Slovakia, co-integration relationship was evident. Muhammad and Rasheed (2011) examined the long-run and short-run relationship between stock prices and exchange rates for four south Asian countries; Pakistan, India, Bangladesh and Sri-Lanka. The study employed co-integration, *VECM*, and standard Granger causality test. The results showed no short-run relationship between the two financial variables for all the four countries, no long-run association between the variables for India and Pakistan, and there was evident of a bi-directional causality between the variables for Sri-Lanka and Bangladesh. Other studies that revealed bi-directional linkage between stock prices and exchange rates include; Doong *et al* (2005), Erbaykao and Okuyan (2009), R.joub (2012), Mok (1993), Umoru and Asekome (2013). Etc.

Bonga – Bonga and Hoveni (2011) investigated the volatility spillover between equity market and the foreign exchange market in South Africa, a multi-step family of *GARCH* was applied. The result showed a uni-directional relationship in terms of volatility spillover from the equity market to the foreign exchange market. Other studies that revealed same include; Alanda and Maku (2009) which revealed exchange rate negative effect on stock market performance in Nigeria. Sekmen (2011), carried an investigation on the *US* for the period 1980 to 2008, the squared residuals from the autoregressive moving average (*ARMA*) model on stock returns for the *US* was used. The result concluded that exchange rate volatility negatively



affects *US* stock returns. Sichoongwe (2016) employed *GARCH* model to evaluate the impact of exchange rate volatility on the stock returns of Zambian stock market and it was revealed that stock market returns are negatively related to changes in exchange rates. Some research works found negligible impact of exchange rate on stock price. Researches like He and Ng (1998), also Ong and Izan (1999) who reported a weak relationship between exchange rates and stock prices in Australia and the group of seven countries.

Still others found no relationship. Ozair (2008) investigated *US* data, the result established no causal linkage and co-integration between stock prices and exchange rates. Desislava (2005) investigated for *UK* and *US* for the period of 1990-2004 and reported absence of causality between these variables. Ma and Kao (1990), in their study, attributes the difference in results to the nature of the countries, i.e. whether countries are import or export dominant, while Morley and Pentecost (2000) argued that the reason for the lack of strong relationship may be due to the exchange controls that were in effect in the 1980s. Previous studies carried out by various researchers revealed no fixed pattern regarding stock market and exchange rate variability. This research intends to test this issue in the light of our local experience using the *ARMA* model, *GARCH* model and Granger Causality Test.

DATA AND METHODOLOGY

This study is based on the monthly data of stock index of the Nigerian stock price and foreign exchange rate on *USD* of the Nigerian Naira. Data was sourced from the Central Bank of Nigeria (*BCN*) statistical bulletin, spanning from January 2007 to December 2018. A total of 118 data points were generated.

METHODOLOGY

In modeling the *NSEI* and *USD/NGN* exchange rates in order to ascertain their behavior in terms of relationship during the period of this study, the study applied Autoregressive Moving Average (*ARMA*) model, Generalized Autoregressive Conditionally Heteroskedastic (*GARCH*) model, Pearson's Correlation test and Granger Causality test. The variables captured in this analysis were the Nigerian Stock Exchange Index (*NSEI*) and the *USD/NGN* exchange rates.



become wide spread tools for dealing with time series heteroskedasticity. The goal of this model is to provide a volatility measure that can be used in financing decisions concerning risk analysis, portfolio select etc. *GARCH* model also known as *GARCH* (1,1) has two equations, the mean and the variance equation (residuals derived from the mean equation).

$$Y_t = \chi_t^1 b + \mu_t \dots \dots \dots (4)$$

$$\mu_t \sim iid(0, h_t)$$

$$h_t = \delta_0 + \delta_1 h_{t-1} + \delta_2 \mu_{t-1}^2 \dots \dots \dots (5)$$

Equation 4 is the mean equation when the residuals or error terms in equation 4 are conditionally heteroskedastic, then *ARCH* and *GARCH* model is necessary. *GARCH* (1,1) means one *ARCH* term and one *GARCH* term.

Equation 5 is the variance equation. Residuals derived from mean equation are used in making variance equation. h_t is today's volatility, U_{t-1}^2 is the previous period squared residual derived from equation 4. It is also known as previous day's information about volatility. It is the *ARCH* term. h_{t-1} is the previous day's residual variance (volatility). It is also known as the *GARCH* term.

GRANGER CAUSALITY

The ability of one variable to predict another variable is discussed in terms of the concept of Granger Causality. It uses empirical data sets to find patterns of correlation. The equation below was employed to estimate the Granger-Causation.

$$Y_t = C_0 + \sum_{j=1}^P C_j \chi_{t-1} + \sum_{j=1}^P d_j y_{t+1} + \mu_{yt} \dots \dots \dots (6)$$

$$\chi_t = \alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^P \alpha_j \chi_{t-1} + \sum_{j=1}^P b_j y_{t-1} + \mu_{xt} \dots \dots \dots (7)$$

χ Does not granger cause y if $C_j = 0, \forall j = 1, \dots, p$,

And y does not granger cause χ if $b_j = 0, \forall j = 1, \dots, p$

EMPIRICAL RESULTS

The unit root test of *NSEI* and *USD/NGN* has been carried out through Augmented Dicky- Fuller (1979) test. In tables 1 and 2. The null hypothesis (H_0) that the time series of *NSEI* and *USD/NGN* exchange rate has a unit root is rejected after the first difference. This is due to the fact that the test statistic value of -9.933500 is less than -2.886074 , for *NSEI* and -8.130429 is less than -2.886074 for *USD/NGN* exchange rate, both at the critical value at 5%.

Table 1: Test for stationary of the Index differences

Null Hypothesis: DNSEI has a unit root
Exogenous: Constant
Lag Length: 0 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=12)

	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-9.933500	0.0000
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.486551	
5% level	-2.886074	
10% level	-2.579931	

*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation
Dependent Variable: D(DNSEI)
Method: Least Squares
Date: 06/04/19 Time: 01:37
Sample (adjusted): 2009M03 2018M12
Included observations: 118 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
DNSEI(-1)	-0.917119	0.092326	-9.933500	0.0000
C	61.88530	182.0811	0.339878	0.7346

R-squared	0.459647	Mean dependent var	-8.533898
Adjusted R-squared	0.454989	S.D. dependent var	2677.156
S.E. of regression	1976.407	Akaike info criterion	18.03275
Sum squared resid	4.53E+08	Schwarz criterion	18.07971
Log likelihood	-1061.932	Hannan-Quinn criter.	18.05182
F-statistic	98.67442	Durbin-Watson stat	1.941178
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000		

Table 2: Stationary test for the differences of the USD/NGN exchange rates

Null Hypothesis: DUDNN has a unit root
Exogenous: Constant
Lag Length: 0 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=12)

	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-8.130429	0.0000
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.486551	
5% level	-2.886074	
10% level	-2.579931	

*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation
Dependent Variable: D(DUDNN)
Method: Least Squares
Date: 06/12/19 Time: 00:30
Sample (adjusted): 2009M03 2018M12
Included observations: 118 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
DUDNN(-1)	-0.725362	0.089216	-8.130429	0.0000
C	1.254649	1.193216	1.051485	0.2952

R-squared	0.363001	Mean dependent var	-0.054322
Adjusted R-squared	0.357510	S.D. dependent var	16.02275
S.E. of regression	12.84312	Akaike info criterion	7.960297
Sum squared resid	19133.70	Schwarz criterion	8.007258
Log likelihood	-467.6575	Hannan-Quinn criter.	7.979365
F-statistic	66.10388	Durbin-Watson stat	1.940594
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000		



To identify an $ARIMA(p, d, q)$ process for the *NSEI* and *USD/NGN* exchange rate data, we examine the *ACF* and *PACF* plots as shown in figures 1 and 2 respectively.

Figure 1: Correlogram of the differences of the Index series.

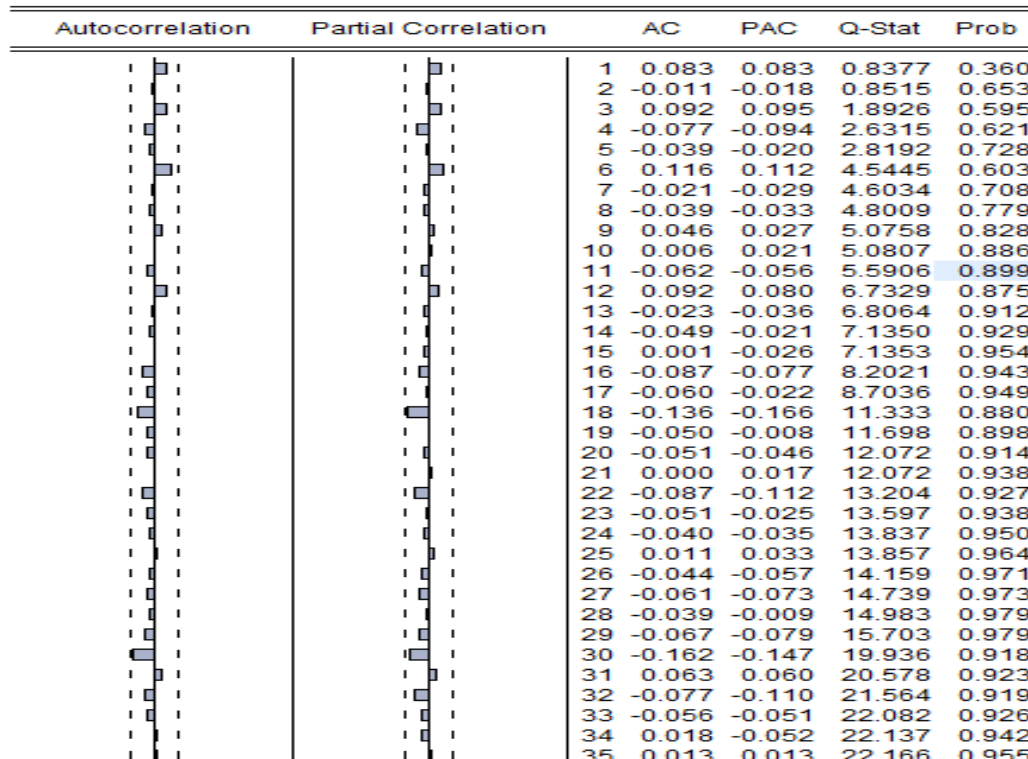
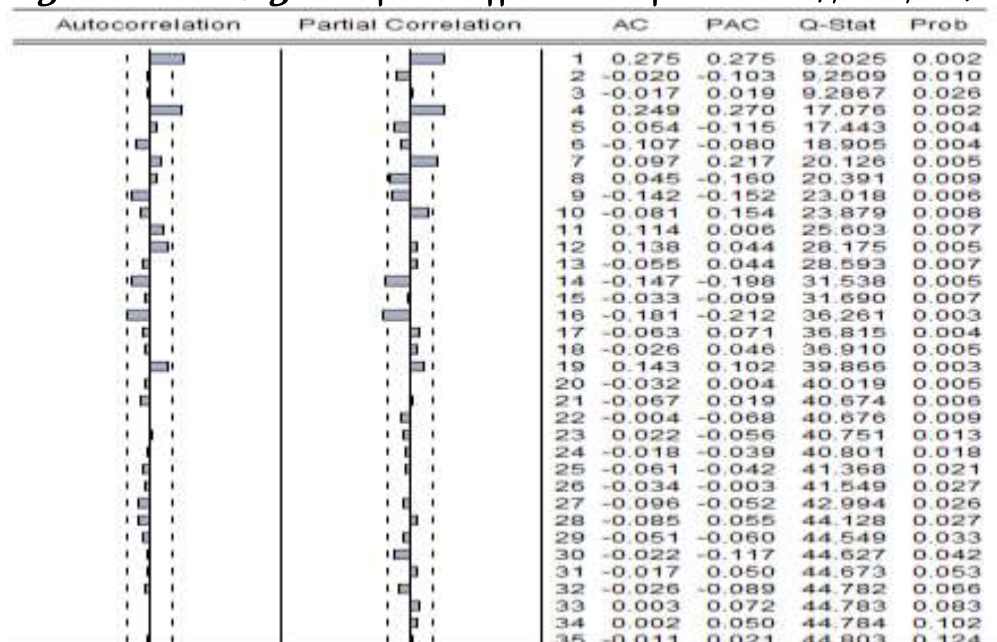


Figure 2: Correlogram of the differences of the USD/NGN exchange rates



It is evident that the correlogram of the differences for the *NSEI* showed a white noise process as there is no significant autocorrelation, so an *ARMA* model is not justified, this calls for the *GARCH* type, while that of the differenced series of *USD/NGN* exchange rate revealed an *ARIMA* (4,1,0) fitted as, $X_t = 0.2303X_{t-1} - 0.4975X_{t-4} + \varepsilon_t$ as shown in table 3, but residuals are conditionally heteroskedastic, hence *GARCH* (1,1) model was adopted.

Table 3: Estimation of the ARIMA (4, 1, 0) model for differences of the USD/NGN exchange rates

Dependent Variable: DUDNN
 Method: ARMA Maximum Likelihood (OPG - BHHH)
 Date: 06/12/19 Time: 00:36
 Sample: 2009M02 2018M12
 Included observations: 119
 Failure to improve objective (non-zero gradients) after 62 iterations
 Coefficient covariance computed using outer product of gradients

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
AR(1)	0.230341	0.051847	4.442672	0.0000
AR(4)	-0.497476	0.042479	-11.71116	0.0000
MA(1)	-0.010539	0.019921	-0.529023	0.5978
MA(4)	0.992562	13.50787	0.073480	0.9416
SIGMASQ	129.2508	35.00875	3.691957	0.0003
R-squared	0.257847	Mean dependent var		1.794790
Adjusted R-squared	0.231807	S.D. dependent var		13.25264
S.E. of regression	11.61549	Akaike info criterion		7.859199
Sum squared resid	15380.85	Schwarz criterion		7.975969
Log likelihood	-462.6223	Hannan-Quinn criter.		7.906616
Durbin-Watson stat	1.835155			
Inverted AR Roots	.66-.59i	.66+.59i	-.54+.59i	-.54-.59i
Inverted MA Roots	.71-.71i	.71+.71i	-.70+.71i	-.70-.71i



Table 4: Estimation of a Garch(1, 1) model for the differences of NSEI series

Dependent Variable: DNSEI
 Method: ML ARCH - Normal distribution (BFGS / Marquardt steps)
 Date: 06/04/19 Time: 03:36
 Sample (adjusted): 2009M02 2018M12
 Included observations: 119 after adjustments
 Convergence achieved after 17 iterations
 Coefficient covariance computed using outer product of gradients
 Presample variance: backcast (parameter = 0.7)
 GARCH = C(1) + C(2)*RESID(-1)^2 + C(3)*GARCH(-1)

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	z-Statistic	Prob.
Variance Equation				
C	660885.9	287486.4	2.298843	0.0215
RESID(-1)^2	-0.036349	0.044341	-0.819769	0.4123
GARCH(-1)	0.838721	0.082179	10.20603	0.0000
R-squared	-0.001695	Mean dependent var		80.81261
Adjusted R-squared	0.006723	S.D. dependent var		1971.152
S.E. of regression	1964.515	Akaike info criterion		17.98492
Sum squared resid	4.59E+08	Schwarz criterion		18.05499
Log likelihood	-1067.103	Hannan-Quinn criter.		18.01337
Durbin-Watson stat	1.825913			

Table 5: Estimation of the GARCH(1, 1) model of the differences of the USD/NGN exchange rates

Dependent Variable: DUDNN
 Method: ML ARCH - Normal distribution (BFGS / Marquardt steps)
 Date: 06/12/19 Time: 00:42
 Sample (adjusted): 2009M02 2018M12
 Included observations: 119 after adjustments
 Convergence achieved after 27 iterations
 Coefficient covariance computed using outer product of gradients
 Presample variance: backcast (parameter = 0.7)
 GARCH = C(1) + C(2)*RESID(-1)^2 + C(3)*GARCH(-1)

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	z-Statistic	Prob.
Variance Equation				
C	1.273008	0.344073	3.699816	0.0002
RESID(-1)^2	0.753586	0.226221	3.331185	0.0009
GARCH(-1)	0.389094	0.080397	4.839661	0.0000
R-squared	-0.018496	Mean dependent var		1.794790
Adjusted R-squared	-0.009938	S.D. dependent var		13.25264
S.E. of regression	13.31833	Akaike info criterion		6.041095
Sum squared resid	21107.96	Schwarz criterion		6.111157
Log likelihood	-356.4452	Hannan-Quinn criter.		6.069545
Durbin-Watson stat	1.423046			

GARCH (1,1) model has been used to estimate the NSEI and USD/NGN exchange rate. Tables 4 and 5 reveal that the sum of the coefficients of h_{t-1} and U_{t-1}^2 of stock index and that of exchange rate are 0.801372 and 1.1427 respectively. This implies that there is high degree of volatility of the variables during the period of this study. And lastly,

Granger Causality test in table 10 conducted on the variables to ascertain the cause-effect proves to be statistically significant with an F – statistic of 1.81621 and a P – value of 0.1835 from NSEI to Exchange Rate and an f – statistics of 2.27487 and a p – value of 0.1237 from exchange rate to NSEI. This reveals a bi-directional causality between the variable’s performances. Hence, exchange rate granger cause stock market performance and vice – versa. This result also confirms positive relationship but statistically insignificant according to Pearson’s correlation test in table 9.

Table 9: Correlation between NSEI and UDNN

	NSEI	UDNN
NSEI	1.000000	0.222528
UDNN	0.222528	1.000000

Table 10: Granger Causality Relationship between NSEI and UDNN

Pairwise Granger Causality Tests
 Date: 10/17/19 Time: 10:56
 Sample: 2016M07 2018M12
 Lags: 2

Null Hypothesis:	Obs	F-Statistic	Prob.
UDNN does not Granger Cause NSEI	30	2.27487	0.1237
NSEI does not Granger Cause UDNN		1.81621	0.1835

CONCLUSION

The time series of NSEI and USD/NGN exchange rate has been modeled from the period of January 2017 to December 2018 using ARMA model, GARCH (1, 1) model and Granger causality test. The time series data of NSEI showed a white noise process with the ARIMA model and GARCH (1,1) model fitted as,

$DNSEI = 660885.9 - 0.036349RESID(-1)^2 + 0.838721GARCH(-1)$
 while the time series data of USD/NGN exchange rates produced ARIMA (4,1,0), fitted as,

$$X_t = 0.2303X_{t-1} - 0.4975X_{t-4} + \varepsilon_t$$



And GARCH (1,1) model fitted as.

$$GARCH = 1.2730 + 0.7536RESID(-1)^2 + 0.3891GARCH(-1)$$

The series were subjected to Granger Causality test and reported a bi-directional causality with negligent but statistically positively significant in terms of their relationship.

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