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Title: Analysis of the Ability to Develop Merdeka Curriculum Teaching Modules Among PPGGT Teachers in PGSD at Unika Santo Paulus Ruteng, East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia

Recommendation: Rating Excel. Good Fair Poor ✓ Accept as it is Originality ✓ Accept after minor revision. Techn. Quality Accept after major revision Clarity Do not accept (Reasons below) Significance

Reviewer Name: Dr Anam Zehra

Date: 17/06/2025

Reviewer's Comment for Publication

The study offers a clear, practical look at trainee teachers' lesson-plan skills under the new Merdeka curriculum. By using real lesson documents and a straightforward checklist, it gives trainers a quick way to gauge and improve their programmes. The writing is easy to follow, the results are encouraging, and the take-away points are actionable. I recommend the manuscript be accepted as it is.

Detailed Reviewer's Report

Real Evidence:

The authors reviewed lesson plans the trainees actually wrote. This gives readers a clear picture of what new teachers can, do not just what they say they can do.

Balanced Methods: Combines numbers with qualitative comments to paint a fuller picture of teacher ability.

Easy-to-Follow Checklist:

The study judged each plan with a short list of points title page, goals, learning steps, worksheets, and a glossary. Anyone reading the paper can copy this list for their own use.

Clear Result:

Out of 20 lesson plans, 18 scored in the "good to very good" range. That is encouraging for the training program and shows most trainees understand the Merdeka approach.

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Practical Advice

The paper does not stop at numbers. It highlights one missing part (the glossary) so trainers know exactly where to focus future coaching.

Weaknesses

Simple Writing

The authors use everyday language, so lecturers, school teachers, and even policymakers can grasp the findings quickly

Qualitative Detail: The paper mentions qualitative data but does not explain how teacher feedback or observations were collected.

Glossary Oversight: Although highlighted in the conclusion, there's limited discussion on why the glossary is missing and how to address it.

Sample Scope: Evaluates only 20 modules from one institution, so broader generalizations should be made cautiously.

Contextual Factors: Does not explore how local constraints (e.g., time, resources) might affect module quality.

Follow-Up Actions: Could suggest specific follow-up workshops or mentorship steps based on the findings.