ABSTRACT

The level of corruption in ASEAN members' nations is severe enough to impede their nations' ability to progress economically. Due to the exploitation of resources and public goods, corruption is a factor that discourages investment and results in economic distortions. Economic growth of emerging nations, like the majority of ASEAN members, depends in large part on investment. Since the consequences are so detrimental, it is crucial to eradicate corrupt practices.

This study aims to examine the elements that affect the level of corruption in ASEAN member nations. According to the newest data that is currently available, the research year is for the previous 10 years. Education level, voice and accountability (democracy), economic freedom, and economic openness were the variables analyzed. Panel data regression analysis with the fixed effect method has been used as the research's analytical instrument.

The results showed that the levels of education, voice, and accountability (democracy), economic openness, and economic freedom had a positive and significant effect on the level of corruption in ASEAN as measured by the Corruption Perception Index.

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