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REVENUE MOBILIZATION MEASURES AND CURRENT TAX ISSUES – INDIA

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Taxation Powers in India's federal structure

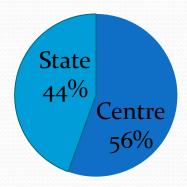
- ✓ Central Government:
 - Direct Taxes: (Income Tax, Corporation & Personal) Dividend Distribution Tax, Wealth Tax)
 - Indirect Taxes: Central Excise, Customs, Service Tax
 - Transaction Tax: Securities Transaction Tax
- √ State Government
 - Value Added Tax
 - Excise on alcoholic liquor, luxury tax, entry tax, electricity duty, entertainment tax, stamp duty, property tax, professional tax, agricultural income tax.

- India's GDP per capita (Dec. 2010):
 - ✓ US\$823
 - ✓ US\$3582 (in PPP terms)
- Tax GDP ratio (2010-11)
 - ✓ Total 17-18% (approx) out of which
 - Central Government 10% (approx)
 - State Governments 7-8% (approx)
 - Social security contribution not included in tax figures

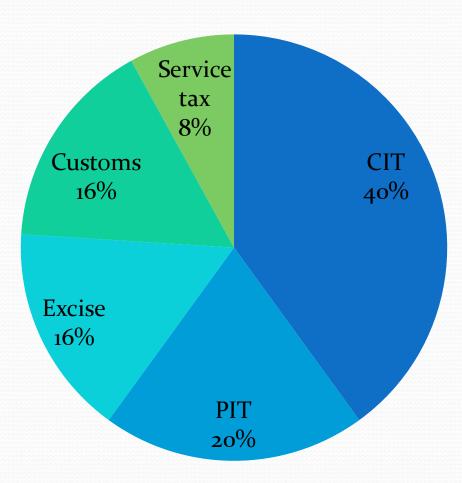
Centre's Tax Collections (approx) (as percentage of GDP)

	Direct		Indirect		
	6%		4%		
*******************************	Corporation Tax	Personal Income Tax	Excise	Customs	Service Tax
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Central and State Taxes



Central Taxes



- Revenue Mobilization Measures by Central Government (Direct Taxes)
 - Revenue foregone analysis and Phasing out of profit linked (sectoral as well as area based) deductions
 - Levy of Minimum Alternate Tax (MAT) on all companies
 - Increase in MAT rate while gradually bringing down the overall corporate tax rate
 - Levy of Alternate Minimum Tax (AMT) on Limited Liability Partnerships (LLP)

Financial	Corporate	Rate of	Effective
Year	Tax Rate	MAT (%)	Corporate
	(%)		Tax Rate
2006-07	33.6	11.2	20.55
2007-08	33.9	11.3	22.24
2008-09	33.9	11.3	22.78
2009-10	33.9	17.0	23.53
2010-11	33.2	19.9	24.10
2011-12	32.4	20.0	N.A.

- Revenue Mobilization Measures by Central Government (Direct Taxes) (Contd..)
 - Strengthening Transfer Pricing
 Regulations
 - Extending provisions of Tax Deduction at Source and Tax Collection at Source
 - Presumptive sale price for real estate transactions
 - Taxation of indirect transfers abroad where underlying asset is in India

Direct Taxes Code Bill, 2010

- √ New provisions
 - General Anti Avoidance Rule (GAAR)
 - Companies residence to be based on place of effective management
 - Controlled Foreign Company (CFC)
 Rules
 - Branch Profit Tax (BPT) on Permanent Establishments
 - Advance Pricing Agreements

Other measures

- ✓ Proposed introduction of nation wide Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- ✓ Third party reporting of financial transactions
- ✓ Use of computerized database to track financial transactions
- ✓ Strengthening tax information exchange with other countries, specifically tax havens

Challenges

- √ Low incomes
- ✓ Informal cash economy
- √ Low organized sector employment
- ✓ High mobility of residence and capital for large businesses, multinational corporations (MNCs) and high net worth individuals (HNIs)

Thank You

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