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# Highlights of Indian Budget 2017-18

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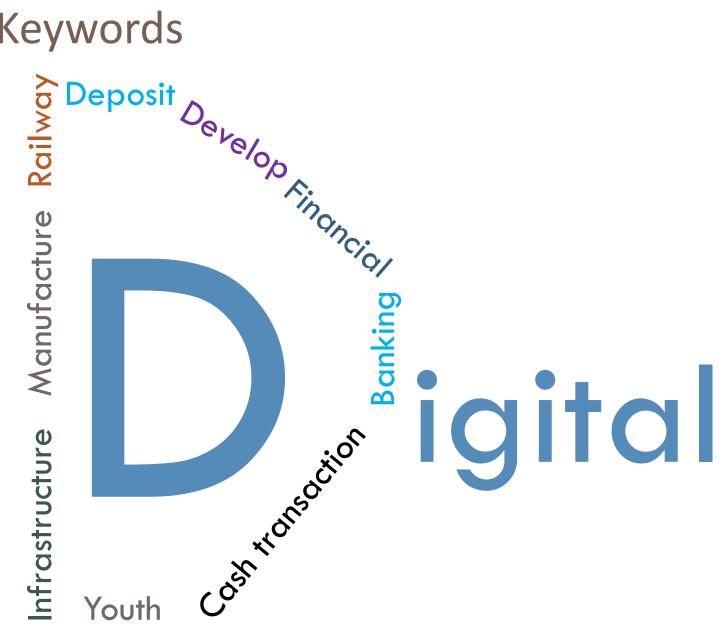
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# General Budget

# **Economy Glance**



# Glidina smooth

• India to be one of the fastest growing major economie s in 2017

# Growth upbeat

2016-17
• Economy
has been
robust to
mild
shocks

Growth

stable at

# Forex happy

• Foreign exchang e reserves reached 361 billion US dollars

Black money

War
 against
 black
 money
 launched

## Efficient fiscal



Fiscal target of 3.5 % of GDP better than 4.1% of last year

Fiscal Deficit Consolidated

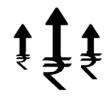
Revenue deficit enhanced to 1.2% of GDP from 2.5% of GDP

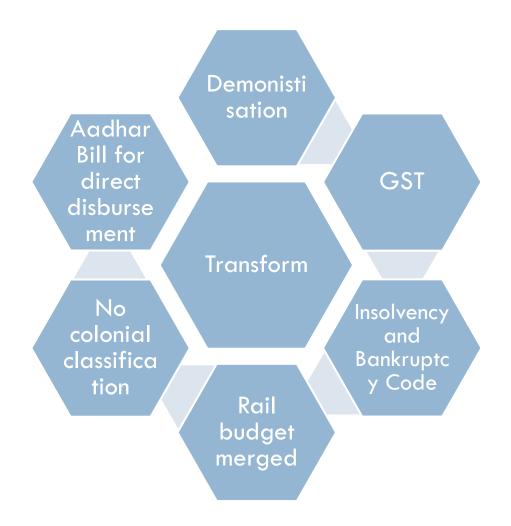
Revenue Deficit tamed

CPI –

4.8% (Consumer Price Index) easing gradually Inflation break

# Transformator encore



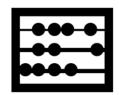


# **Demonitisation Jolt**



Curb tax evasion and parallel economy Reduced corruption Government's resolve to eliminate corruption, black money, counterfeit currency and terror funding Greater Drop in economic activity, if any, to be temporary Generate long term benefits Increased flow of financial soon reach comfortable levels Greater formalisation The surplus liquidity in the banking system will lower of the borrowing costs and increase the access to credit

# Transform, Energise & Clean India



Transform the quality of governance and quality of life of our people

Energise various sections of society, especially the youth and the vulnerable, and enable them to unleash their true potential

Clean the country from the evils of corruption, black money and non-transparent political funding



# Farm income = 2x in 5 years



#### Creditable countryside

- Agricultural credit Target in 2017-18 >> 10 lakh crores
- 60 days' interest waiver announced on 31 Dec 2016
- NABARD computerisation and integration of all 63,000 functional Primary Agriculture Credit Societies

#### Insurance

• Coverage under Fasal Bima Yojana scheme increased from 30% of cropped area in 2016-17 to 40% in 2017-18 and 50% in 2018-19 with budget provision of 9000 crore

#### Per drop more crop

- Long Term Irrigation Fund already set up in NABARD to be augmented by 100%, take total corpus of Fund to 40,000 crores
- Dedicated Micro Irrigation Fund in NABARD to achieve 'per drop more crop' with an initial corpus of 5,000 crores
- Mini labs in Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) and ensure 100% coverage of all 648 KVKs in the country for soil sample testing

#### E Farm

- National Agricultural Market (e-NAM) to be expanded from 250 markets to 585 APMCs
- Assistance up to 75 lakhs will be provided to every e-NAM

## Farmland Pride



#### Countryside Capital

- 3 lakh crores spent in rural areas every year, for rural poor from Central Budget, State Budgets, Bank linkage for self-help groups
- One crore households out of poverty and 50,000 Gram Panchayats poverty free by 2019

#### **Rural Employment**

- Against target of 5 lakh farm ponds under MGNREGA, 10 lakh farm ponds would be completed by March 2017. During 2017-18, another 5 lakh farm ponds will be taken up
- Women participation in MGNREGA has increased to 55% from less than 48%
- MGNREGA allocation to be the highest ever at 48,000 crores in 2017-18

#### Road and Home

- Pace of construction of PMGSY roads accelerated to 133 km roads per day in 2016-17, against an avg. of 73 km during 2011-2014
- Target to complete 1 crore houses by 2019 for the houseless and those living in kutcha houses
- 100% village electrification by 1st May 2018

#### Sanitation and water

- Sanitation coverage in rural India has gone up from 42% in Oct 2014 to about 60%. Open Defecation Free villages are now being given priority for piped water supply
- Provide safe drinking water to over 28,000 arsenic and fluoride affected habitations in the next four years



### Youth Motivated



## Education

- Introduce a system of measuring annual learning outcomes in schools
- Innovation Fund for Secondary Education proposed to encourage local innovation
- Ensuring universal access, gender parity and quality improvement to be introduced in 3479 educationally backward districts
- Good quality higher education institutions to have greater administrative and academic autonomy

### Skills

- SWAYAM platform, leveraging IT, to be launched with at least 350 online courses. This would enable students to virtually attend courses taught by the best faculty
- National Testing Agency to be set-up to conduct all entrance examinations for higher education institutions
- Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion programme (SANKALP) to be launched at a cost of 4000 crores to 3.5 crore youth
- Next phase of Skill Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE) will also be launched in 2017-18 at a cost of 2,200 crores

#### **Jobs**

- A scheme for creating employment in the leather and footwear industries along the lines in Textiles Sector to be launched
- Incredible India 2.0 Campaign will be launched across the world to promote tourism and employment

## Railroad Ahead



#### Rail consumer centre

- Railway lines of 3,500 kms will be commissioned in 2017-18. During 2017-18, at least 25 stations are expected to be awarded for station redevelopment
- In the next 3 years, the throughput is proposed to be enhanced by 10%. This will be done through modernisation and upgradation of identified corridors
- 500 stations will be made differently abled friendly by providing lifts and escalators
- It is proposed to feed about 7,000 stations with solar power in the medium term
- Coach Mitra', a single window interface, to register all coach related complaints and requirements to be launched
- SMS based Clean My Coach Service has been started
- By 2019, all coaches of Indian Railways will be fitted with bio toilets
- Tariffs of Railways would be fixed, taking into consideration costs, quality of service and competition from other forms of transport

#### Metro tune up

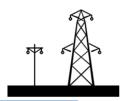
- A new Metro Rail Policy will be announced with focus on innovative models of implementation and financing, as well as standardisation and indigenisation of hardware and software
- A new Metro Rail Act will be enacted by rationalising the existing laws. This will facilitate greater private participation and investment in construction and operation

#### Road wide

- 2,000 kms of coastal connectivity roads have been identified for construction and development
- Total length of roads, including those under PMGSY, built from 2014-15 till the current year is about 1,40,000 kms which is significantly higher than previous three years



# Infrastructure Spruced Up



#### Airport

Select airports in Tier 2 cities will be taken up for operation and maintenance in the PPP mode

#### Rural Broadband

- High speed broadband connectivity on optical fibre will be available in more than 1,50,000 gram panchayats, under BharatNet
- A DigiGaon initiative will be launched to provide tele-medicine, education and skills through digital technology

#### Sunny Energy

• Second phase of Solar Park development to be taken up for additional 20,000 MW capacity

#### **Electronic manufacturing**

• creating an eco-system to make India a global hub for electronics manufacturing a provision of 745 crores in 2017-18 in incentive schemes like M-SIPS and EDF

#### Exports

 New and restructured Central scheme with a focus on export infrastructure, namely, Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES) will be launched in 2017-18

### Financial Lift



#### FDI easy

Foreign Investment Promotion Board to be abolished in 2017-18

• Further liberalisation of FDI policy is under consideration

#### Market for Agri

Study and promote creation framework to integrate spot market and derivatives market in the agricultural sector, for commodities trading

• e- NAM to be an integral part of the framework

#### Illicit deposit

Bill relating to curtail the menace of illicit deposit schemes will be introduced

- A bill relating to resolution of financial firms will be introduced in the current Budget Session of Parliament.
- This will contribute to stability and resilience of our financial system

#### Infra resolution

Institutional arrangements for resolution of disputes in infrastructure

· Construction contracts, PPP and public utility contracts will covered as an amendment to the Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996

System emergency

Computer Emergency Response Team for our Financial Sector (CERT-Fin) will be established

### Public sector Assist



#### Listing

Revised mechanism and procedure to ensure time bound listing of identified Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSEs) on stock exchanges

• The shares of Railway PSEs like IRCTC, IRFC and IRCON will be listed in stock exchanges

#### Oil Major

Create an integrated public sector 'oil major'

• Match the performance of international and domestic private sector oil and gas companies

#### ETF

A new ETF with diversified CPSE stocks and other Government holdings will be launched in 2017-18

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Capital Banking

In line with the 'Indradhanush' roadmap, 10,000 crores for recapitalisation of Banks provided in 2017-18

**Priority Lending** 

Lending target under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana to be set at 2.44 lakh crores. Priority will be given to Dalits, Tribals, Backward Classes and Women

# **Digital Nation**



# BHIM App

• 125 lakh people have adopted the BHIM app so far. The Government will launch two new schemes to usage of BHIM; these are, Referral Bonus Scheme for individuals and a Cashback Scheme for merchants

# Aadhar Pay

- Aadhar Pay, a merchant version of Aadhar Enabled Payment System, will be launched shortly
- A Mission will be set up with a target of 2,500 crore digital transactions for 2017-18 through UPI, USSD, Aadhar Pay, IMPS and debit cards

# Institutional Support

- All
  Government
  receipts
  through
  digital
  means,
  beyond a
  prescribed
  limit
- Banks to introduce additional 10 lakh new POS terminals by March 2017
- To introduce 20 lakh Aadhar based POS by Sep

# Digital Regulatory

 Proposed to create a Payments Regulatory Board in the Reserve Bank of India by replacing the existing Board for Regulation and Supervision of Payment and Settlement Systems

### **Public Service**



#### E-Govt

The
Government
e-market
place which
is now
functional
for
procurement
of goods
and services

#### Postport

To utilise
the Head
Post
Offices as
front
offices for
rendering
passport
services

# Defence ticketing

Centralised
Defence
Travel
System has
been
developed
through
which
travel
tickets can
be booked
online by
our soldiers
and
officers

#### Pension System

Web
based
interactive
Pension
Disburseme
nt System
for
Defence
Pensioners
will be
established

#### Court rejig

To rationalise the number of tribunals and merge tribunals wherever appropriate

# Tax proposals

# Tax Highlights



Lower tax

Stimulate growth

Real Estate

Digital Economy

Ease of Doing Business

## Personal taxes



Tax-lessen

• Existing rate of taxation for individual assesses between income of 2.5 lakhs to 5 lakhs reduced to 5% from the present rate of 10%

Surcharged

• Surcharge of 10% of tax payable on categories of individuals whose annual taxable income is between 50 lakhs and 1 crore

Simplify

• Simple one-page form to be filed as Income Tax Return for the category of individuals having taxable income upto 5 lakhs other than business income

# Stimulating Growth



Corp tax reduced

• In order to MSME companies more income tax with annual turnover upto 50 crore is reduced to 25%

Start-uped

- Carry forward of losses in respect of start-ups, holding of 51% of relaxed Also profit
  - available for 3 out of 5 years is changed to 3 out of 7 years

MAT easy

 MAT credit is allowed to be to a period of 15 years instead of 10 years at present

Simplify

- Allowable provision for Non-Performing Asset of increased from 7.5% to 8.5%
- Interest taxable on actual instead of accrual basis in respect of NPA

### Real Estate Discount



Profit-Linked deduction

• Under the scheme for profitincome tax deduction affordable housing, carpet area instead of built up area of 30 and 60 Sq.mtr. will be counted

Non Metro benefit

- The 30 Sq.mtr. limit apply only in case of municipal limits of 4 metropolita n cities
  - For rest including in areas of of 60 Sq.mtr. will apply

**Hoarding** tax

• Builders for constructed buildings are stockin-trade, tax on only apply year of the end of the year in which completion certificate is received

ell Faster

 Holding period for computing long term gains from transfer of from 3 years to 2 years

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# Digital economy less tax



Cashless benefit

• Presumptive tax payers with crores, present, 8% of their turnover counted as income is reduced to 6% in respect of turnover which is by non-cash means

Less cash promoted

 No transaction above 3 lakh would be permitted in cash subject to certain

Digital components tax easy

 Miniaturised POS card reader for m-POS, micro Finger Print Readers, Scanners and Iris from Basic Customs, Excise/CV duty and SAD

# Ease of doing business



# Audit easy

- Threshold for audit of business entities for presumptiv e income increased from 1 crore to 2 crores
- Threshold for maintenance e of books increased from turnover of 10 lakhs to 25 lakhs

# One Advance tax

• Under scheme for presumptive taxation for professionals with receipt upto 50 lakhs p.a. advance tax can be paid in one instalment instead of four

# Digital components tax easy

• Time period for revising a tax return is being reduced to 12 months from completion of financial year, at par with the time period for filing of return.

Faster Scrutiny

completion of scrutiny assessments compressed further from 21 months to 18 months for Assessment Year 2018-19 and further to 12 months for Assessment Year 2019-20

• The time for

# Ease of doing business



Transfer Pricing Easy

 Scope of domestic transfer pricing restricted to only if one of the entities involved in related party transaction enjoys specified profitlinked deduction Indirect transfer tax simplified

- Foreign Portfolio Investor (FPI)
   exempted from indirect transfer provision
   Indirect transfer
  - Indirect transfer provision not to apply in case of redemption of shares outside India as a result of redemption or sale of investment in India which is chargeable to tax in India

nsurance agents aided

Commission
 payable to
 individual
 insurance agents
 exempt from the
 requirement of
 TDS subject to
 their filing a self declaration that
 their income is
 below taxable
 limit

## Goods and Service Tax on time



GST Roadmap

• The GST Council has finalised its recommendations on almost all the issues based on consensus on the basis of 9 meetings held

GST Network

 Preparation of IT system for GST is also on schedule GST awareness

• The extensive reach-out efforts to trade and industry for GST will start from 1st April, 2017 to make them aware of the new taxation system

# Overall Budget



- Revenue Expenditure has been estimated at Rs11.44 lakh crore
- Capital Expenditure has been estimated at Rs1.42 lakh crore
- Total expenditure estimates for the Financial Year are estimated at 12.86 lakh crore
- Allocations have given special emphasis to sectors like agriculture, irrigation, social sector including health, women, infrastructure and digital economy
- Revenue receipts are estimated to be Rs7.96 lakh crore
- Capital receipts are estimated to be Rs4.90 lakh crore

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