

## "Tax Reforms"

Covering Economic Direction for Betterment of Society and Infrastructure

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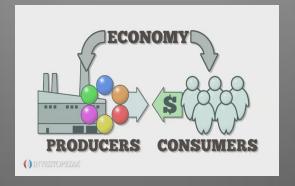
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# » ECONOMIC DIRECTION

# What is economy?



Economy is the large set of inter-related production and consumption activities.

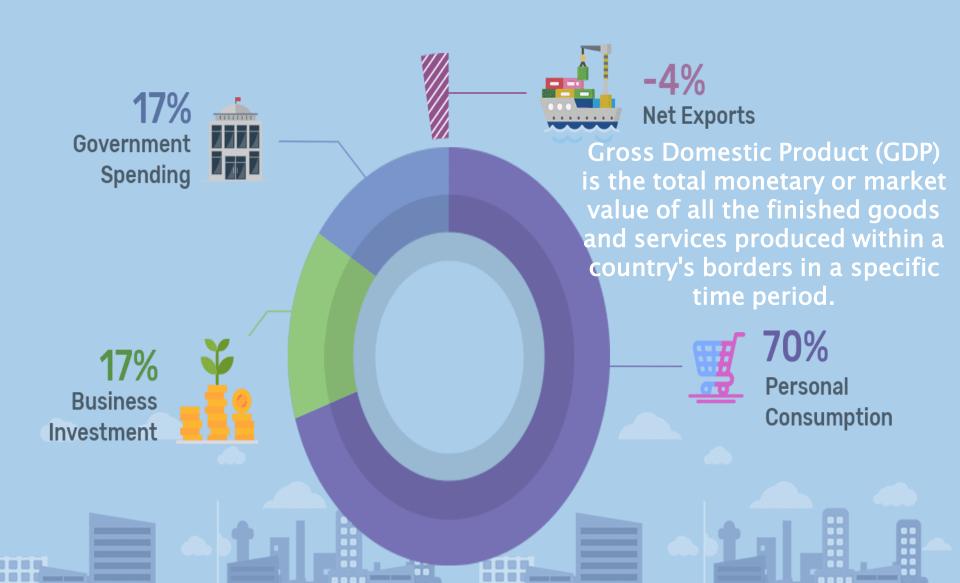
# and Why?

It aids in determining how scarce resources are allocated.

#### Micro & Macro

Firms and Households	Economy as a whole
Me & You being an individual	World's Economy
Your company / firm	Pakistan's Economy

# WHAT IS GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT? HOW IT AFFECTS YOU



#### SCARCE RESOURCE

 Economy aids in determining how scarce resources are allocated.

Lets FAST FORWARD

The biggest and most liquid Scare resource is MONEY.

So every economy's direction revolves around MONEY.

LOCAL & FOREIGN MONEY.

Foreign Investment?

#### FOREIGN MONEY

#### Foreign Investment

- Comes in Big Volumes
- Creates Value
- Goes out in Big Volumes
- If goes out also takes profit with it

#### Foreign Spending

- Comes in SmallVolumes ascompared toinvestment
- Creates Value
- Stays in economic territory

# Foreign Spending

Pre-requisites

**Attraction Points** 

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Spending points

#### **ATTRACTION POINTS**

- Worldwide Competitive Tax & Duties and Tax infrastructure
- Sustainability
- Law and order
- Healthy environment
- Creativity
- Innovation
- Internationally Competitive

#### TAX DIRECTION

To regulate policies and smooth running of government machinery and basic necessities of common man

Tax imposition is the best solution

To provide development and infrastructure facilities

- ► Tax imposition is not the solution instead public investment is.
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HIGH TAX RATES = LOW PURCHASING POWER

#### FAST FORWARD

**HIGH TAX RATES** = LOW PURCHASING POWER

LOW PURCHASING POWER = LOW SAVING / INVESTMENT

LOW SAVING / INVESTMENT = LOW DEMAND = LOW SUPPLY = HIGH PRICE

LOW DEMAND & SUPPLY = LOW GDP= LOW ECONOMIC GROWTH

 $HIGH\ PRICE = ?$ 

#### TAX SCHEME

We will only talk about it in very limited manner and only to limited extent

#### TAX SCHEME

- BTL for saving income & dividend, Senior Citizen Allowance
- Annual & lifetime limits for gift and inheritance
- Minimum Tax on imports discourage long term
- Tax exemption for IT industry –final tax
- SEZ's & EPZ's
- World products competitiveness Research Institute

### Few points on income tax

- Consultants Pool for SME's and individuals
- Resolving tax law complexities
- Harmonization in economic policies
- WHT regime misuse (If the recipient of payments details are provided and ultimately he got himself registered then default and penalty would not be applicable)

#### SALES TAX MECHANISM

Now, we will talk about Sales tax on Goods

#### Sales Tax on Goods

- Retailers issue and direction of tax machinery
- Evasion and reluctance

#### Solution

Manufacturers facilitation



A portal where the manufacturers will submit their Retail Price along with Lot numbers and their sales data.

#### How it will work

- Just one addition of LOT NUMBERS with LOT quantity in ST returns is required and Manufacturers will provide it while filling their sales tax returns as a result whole of sales tax is collected at Retail Price.
- No need for retailers to pay any further tax, as we already know that tax imposition and maintenance cost will impact purchasing power.
- If Lot numbers get any mismatch or duplication then the product manufacturer is responsible and will pay the penalty.

# Benefits for manufacturers and retailers

- The portal would also provide data regarding the limitation of investment either at manufacturing point and or at retail point.
- Equity partnership program would assist the retailers and manufacturers to fulfill their demands.
- Remember High Price = Low Demand High demand = Low Price High demand = High Supply

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