

Briefer on the FY 2022 Budget Priorities Framework

Macroeconomic Considerations for the 2022 National Budget

Backed by the country's strong growth credibility and the government's intensified efforts to achieve population protection amidst the lingering effect of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Duterte Administration has adopted the following positive and achievable macroeconomic assumptions in crafting the FY 2022 National Budget:

Parameters	Actual	Assumptions ^{1/}				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Real GDP Growth (%)	(9.50)	6.0-7.0	7.0-9.0	6.0-7.0	6.0-7.0	
Inflation (%)	2.6	2.0-4.0	2.0-4.0	2.0-4.0	2.0-4.0	
Dubai Crude Oil (US\$/bbl)	42.21	50-70	50-70	50-70	50-70	
FOREX (PhP/US\$)	49.62	48-53	48-53	48-53	48-53	
Growth of Goods Export (%)	(11.3)	8.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	
Growth of Goods Import (%)	(23.9)	12.0	10.0	8.0	8.0	

¹/Assumptions and targets adopted by the Development Budget Coordination Committee (DBCC) on May 18, 2021

Fiscal Program

To finance the implementation of the various programs for 2022, the government set the cash budget at PhP5.024 trillion. The government will continue to adopt a fiscal consolidation strategy to gradually bring down the deficit to the pre-COVID-19 levels

Particulars (in billion Pesos)	Actual	Projections ^{2/}					
	2020	2021 Program	2022	2023	2024		
Revenues	2,856.0	2,881.5	3,289.5	3,586.4	3,999.3		
% of GDP	15.9	14.5	14.9	14.8	15.1		
Growth Rate	(9.0)	0.9	14.2	9.0	11.5		
Disbursements	4,227.4	4,737.1	4,954.6	5,114.5	5,403.6		
% of GDP	23.6	23.9	22.4	21.1	20.3		
Growth Rate	11.3	12.1	4.6	3.2	5.7		
Fiscal Balance	(1,371.4)	(1,855.6)	(1,665.1)	(1,528.0)	(1,404.3)		
% of GDP	(7.6)	(9.3)	(7.5)	(6.3)	(5.3)		
Growth Rate ^{3/}	(107.7)	(35.3)	10.3	8.2	8.1		
Appropriations	4,100.0	4,506.0	5,023.6	5,302.1	5,569.3		
% of GDP	22.9	22.7	22.8	21.9	21.0		
Growth Rate	13.6	9.9	11.5	5.5	5.0		

²Consistent with the macroeconomic and growth assumptions, and fiscal program approved during the 179th DBCC Meeting on May 18, 2021. ³ A positive growth rate indicates an improvement in the fiscal balance, while a negative growth rate implies a deterioration in the fiscal balance.

Tier 2 Budget Priorities

Tier 2 funding for FY 2022 shall give priority to strategic programs focusing on the continued recovery and strengthening of the resilience of the country in the post-pandemic life—enhancing the country's health system, empowering local government units, and providing for a more efficient and inclusive social support and protection.

Health and Nutrition

- Continue the procurement and distribution of vaccines to curb the spread of the COVID-19
- Provide booster shots to people who received the vaccines to strengthen their immune system and reduce the chances of having the adverse symptoms of the virus
- Enhance the capacity for knowledge and technology generation, acquisition and adoption of the country's health system through the establishment of the Virology Science and Technology Institute of the Philippines
- Address the prevalent problem of stunting and malnutrition among Filipino children through a multisectoral approach which is consistent with the national priorities and roadmap for achieving zero hunger

Social Protection

- Intensify the implementation of the Family Planning Program to reduce the rapid population growth and increase the awareness and knowledge on the importance and benefits of family planning
- Sustain the demographic dividend of having young, healthy, educated, and skilled working-age population to ensure the continued productivity of the economy

Governance

- Aid poor, disadvantaged and lagging Local Government Units (LGUs) through a Growth Equity Fund that will help cover their financial and capacity development needs to implement devolved functions and services
- Support the capacity development programs of National Government Agencies for LGUs to empower and help them provide better service to the citizens
- Fast-tracking the implementation of the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) for a more efficient and inclusive provision of key services to the people



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