

Chair: *Dr. Manoj Govil, Expenditure Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Govt*

Presentation by the World Bank

Shri Tanvir Malik, Economist, The World Bank

Presentation by Telangana

Sri K. Rama Krishna Rao, Special Chief Secretary, Government of Telangana

Presentation by Maharashtra

Shri Saurabh Vijay, Principal Secretary (Expenditure), Government of Maharashtra

LUNCH TIME PRESENTATION (02:00 - 03:00 PM)

Lunch time presentation by the World Bank on *Data Visualisation* by *Ms. Emilia Skrok, Practice Manager, MTI Global Practice, and Shri Rishabh Choudhary, Economist, MTI Global Practice, The World Bank*

SESSION 5 Innovations by States (03:00 - 05:00 PM)

Experiences of states in augmenting resources as well as in optimising the use of such resources is the focus of this session. The topics for presentation could include improvements in revenue performance, reforms of the pension regime, managing of public investment decisions and short term cash management in the context of reduced float owing to introduction of SNA

Chair: *Shri M.P. Tangirala, Additional Secretary, Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, Government of India*

Presentation by Andhra Pradesh

Shri Noorul Quamer, Deputy Secretary, Finance Deptt, Government of Andhra Pradesh

Presentation by Odisha

Sri Hrudaya Kamal Jena, Additional Secretary (Finance), Government of Odisha

Presentation by Karnataka

Shri L.K Atheeq, Additional Chief Secretary (Finance), Government of Karnataka

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Introduction

The State forum is proposed as a space to share ideas and experiences in managing state finances in India – a forum for sharing analysis on emerging issues with states as well as for states to share their innovations and experiments. The first edition of the forum was organised during 2-3 November 2023. The event included an overview of state finances followed by discussions on fiscal sustainability, on understanding the role of subsidies in state finances and on evolution of green budgets in Indian states. The forum was attended by 15 states while seven states made presentations in different sessions. In partnership with World Bank, the second edition of STATE FORUM is being organised by the National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP) during 26-27 September, 2024.

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PROGRAMME AGENDA



DAY 01 : 26 September 2024

THEME: EMERGING ISSUES IN STATE FINANCES

REGISTRATION & HIGH TEA (04:00 - 05:00 PM)

SESSION 1 INAUGURAL ADDRESS (05:00 PM)

Welcome: Dr R. Kavita Rao, Director NIPFP

Opening Remarks: Mr Hoon Sahib Soh, Practice Manager, Equitable Growth Finance & Institutions, South Asia Region, The World Bank

Inaugural Address: Shri Tuhin Kanta Pandey, Finance Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Government of India

SESSION 2 Overview of State Finance (06:00 - 7:30 PM)

This session would present an overview of the recent trends in state finances. Changes in revenue performance and in expenditure patterns along with evolution of the deficit and debt profile would be discussed.

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DINNER (07:30 - 11:00 PM)

DAY 02 : 27 September 2024

THEME: CHALLENGES & INNOVATIONS

WELCOME TEA (09:00 - 09:30 AM)

SESSION 3 Challenges in Utilisation of Central Grants (09:30-11:30 AM)

This session deals with the constitutional assignment of functions between the centre and the states assigns a significant number of functions to the states. With differences in capacity to raise revenues, persistent differences in social and economic indicators were observed. Centrally sponsored schemes were introduced as schemes to augment the service delivery of states through support from union finances, where some matching contributions from the state too are built into the programme. Another category of central grants are conditional grants like those proposed by Finance Commissions seeking address specific sectoral performances. This session focuses on challenges in utilising these grants – emanating both from the design of the schemes as well as the available fiscal space to find matching contributions.

Chair: Shri Sajjan Singh Yadav, Additional Secretary, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Government of India

Presentation by NIPFP

Presentation by Mizoram

Mr. Lalhmingmawla Sailo, Addl. Secretary, and **Mr. C Lungmuanpuia**, Deputy Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Mizoram

Presentation by Uttar Pradesh

Shri Deepak Kumar, Addl. Chief Secretary (Finance) and **Shri Samir Verma**, Special Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh

TEA BREAK (11:30 - 11:45 AM)

SESSION 4 Fiscal Rules, Sustainability and Growth (11:45-01:45 PM)

Fiscal sustainability is a persistent concern for central and state finances. The impact of COVID pandemic resulted in a sharp increase in deficits and debt. In the following years there is evidence of some consolidation of deficits at the state level. Improved performance in GST as well as central direct taxes has supported the states through robust growth in revenue receipts. Debt levels however remain high, especially with reference to earlier targets of 20 percent of GDP for states. With aspirations of high growth, there is emphasis on augmented capital spending. This session will examine the possible relations between deficits, debt sustainability and growth.