2020-21 Budget

Briefing for Legislative Council

Public Finance

- Supporting enterprises
- Safeguarding jobs
- Stimulating the economy
- Relieving people's burden
- Long-term affordability
- Spending should be commensurate with increase in revenue

Economic Indicators

	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Forecast
GDP real growth	2.9%	-1.2%	-1.5% - 0.5%
GDP nominal growth	6.6%	1.2%	0.5% - 2.5%
Underlying CCPI	2.6%	3.0%	2.5%

Financial Implications of Policy Address Major Initiatives and Budget Measures

	Financial Implications (\$ Million)
Policy Address Major Initiatives	74,427
One-off Relief Measures	111,819
Extension of Helping Measures	10,273
Budget Measures with Long-term Effects	46,908
Proceeds from Issuance of Government Green Bonds	66,300
Total	309,727

2019-20 Revised Estimate

\$ billion
567.3
(611.4)
(44.1)
(118.0)
73.9
7.8 (1.5)
(37.8)

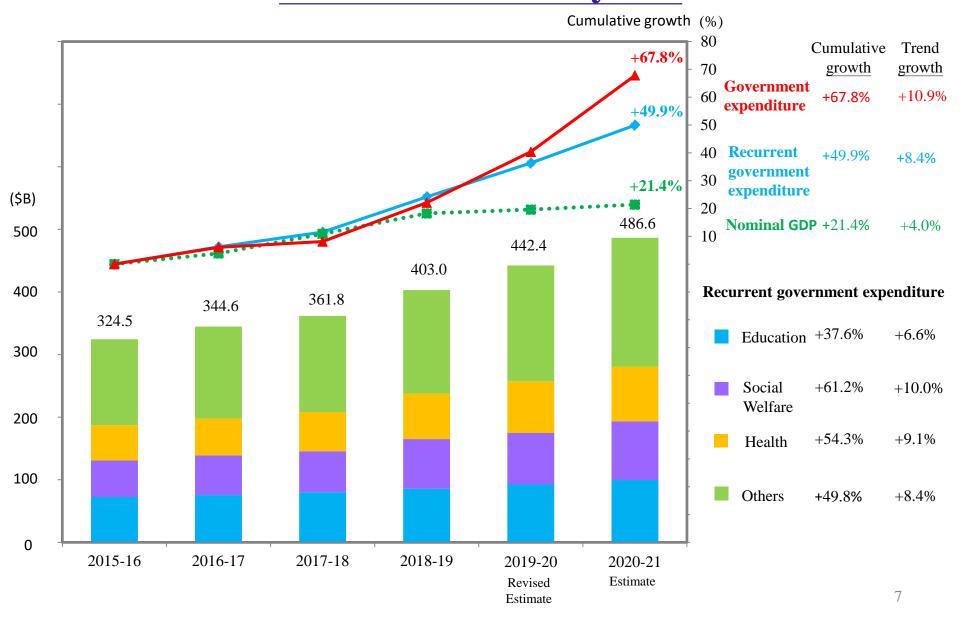
Forecast balance of fiscal reserves as at end-March 2020

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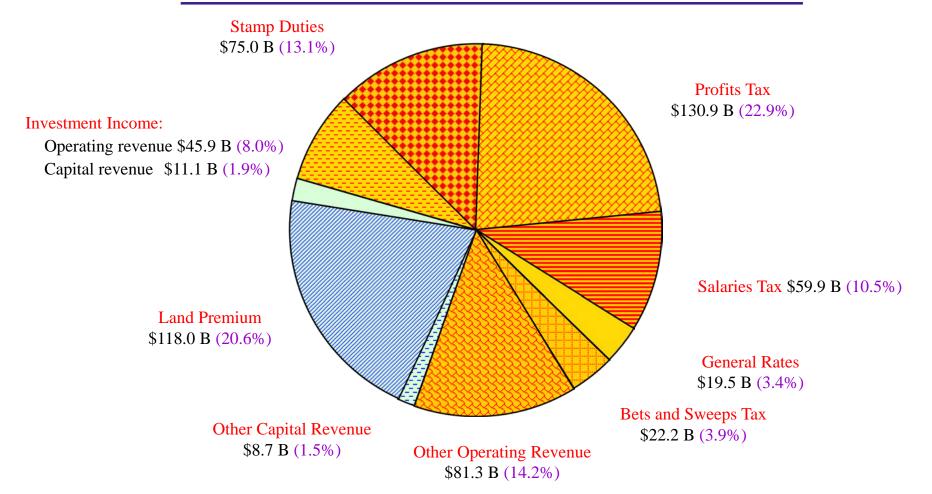
2020-21 Estimate

	\$ billion
Government revenue	572.5
Government expenditure	(731.1)
Consolidated deficit before issuance of bonds	(158.6)
Operating deficit	(183.0)
Capital surplus	24.4
Net proceeds from issuance of green bonds	19.5
Consolidated deficit after issuance of bonds	(139.1)
Forecast balance of fiscal reserves as at end-March 2021	994.0

Government Expenditure vs Nominal GDP for the recent five years

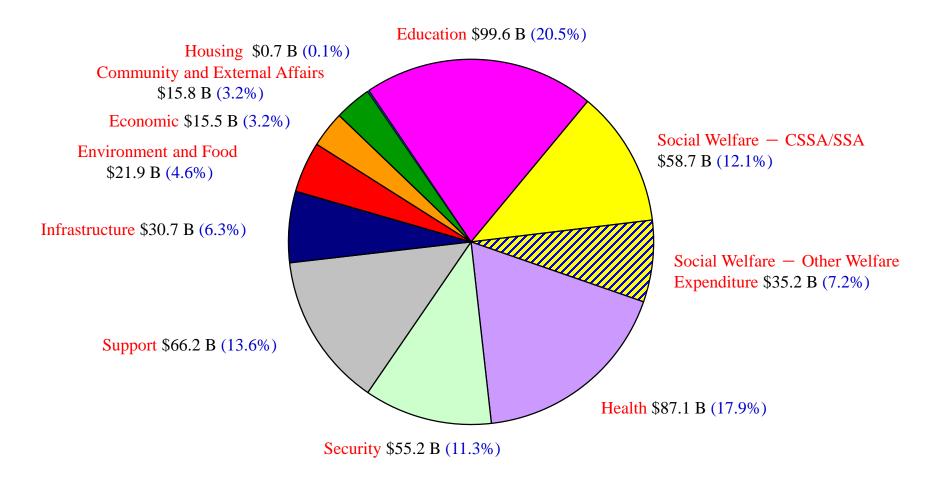


2020-21 Revenue Estimates



	2020-21 Estimate	% Share of Government Revenue	% of GDP
Operating Revenue	\$434.7 B	75.9%	14.9%
Capital Revenue	\$137.8 B	24.1%	4.8%
Total	\$572.5 B	100%	19.7%

2020-21 Recurrent Expenditure Estimates

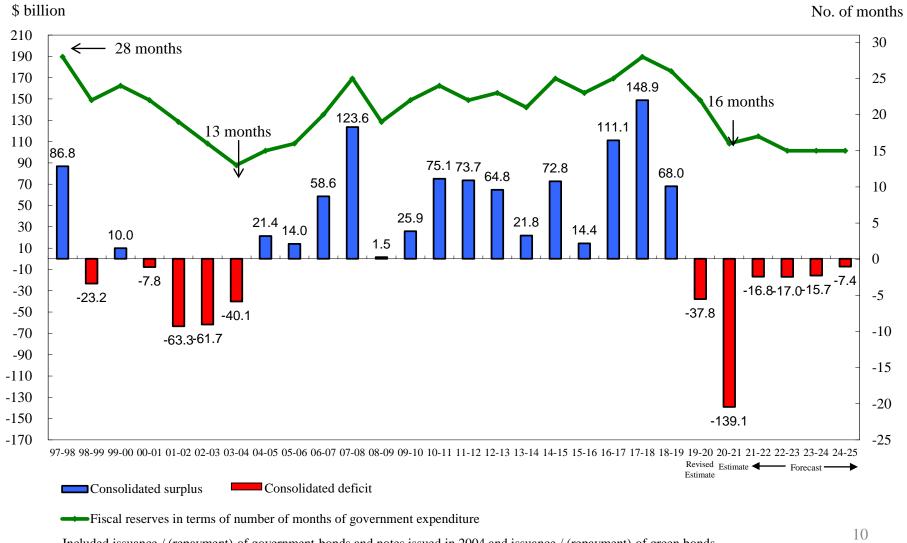


Recurrent government expenditure: \$486.6 billion (66.6% of total government expenditure of \$731.1 billion)

Increase of 10.0% against 2019-20 Revised Estimate

Fiscal Reserves

(in terms of number of months of government expenditure)



2020-21 Medium Range Forecast

(\$ billion)	2020-21 Estimate	2021-22 Forecast	2022-23 Forecast	2023-24 Forecast	2024-25 Forecast
Operating deficit	(183.0)	(48.5)	(49.1)	(55.8)	(55.7)
Capital surplus	24.4	20.0	20.4	28.4	44.4
Net proceeds from issuance of green bonds	19.5	11.7	11.7	11.7	11.7
Repayment of bonds and notes	-	_	-	_	(7.8)
Consolidated deficit	(139.1)	(16.8)	(17.0)	(15.7)	(7.4)
Fiscal reserves	994.0	977.2	960.2	944.5	937.1
in terms of number of months of government expenditure	16	17	15	15	15
in terms of percentage of GDP	34.1%	32.0%	29.9%	28.0%	26.5%

Trend Growth

	2015-16 to 2020-21 Estimate	2020-21 Estimate to 2024-25 Forecast
Government Expenditure	+ 10.9%	+ 1.3%
Nominal GDP	+ 4.0%	+ 5.0%

Thank You