

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2012

Operating Revenue

FY2012 Operating Revenue has been revised upwards by \$2.10 billion (or 3.9%) to \$55.18 billion. The increase is mainly due to higher-than-expected collections from Stamp Duty and Vehicle Quota Premiums.

Corporate Income Tax collections are estimated at \$12.75 billion, \$624 million (or 4.7%) lower than the budgeted FY2012 estimate. Personal Income Tax collections are estimated at \$7.65 billion, \$123 million (or 1.6%) lower than the budgeted FY2012 estimate.

Asset Taxes are estimated at \$3.79 billion, \$106 million (or 2.9%) higher than the budgeted FY2012 estimate. Stamp Duty collections are estimated at \$4.18 billion, \$1.69 billion (or 68.0%) higher than the budgeted FY2012 estimate.

Goods and Services Tax collections are estimated at \$8.82 billion, \$415 million (or 4.5%) lower than the budgeted FY2012 estimate. Motor Vehicle Taxes are estimated at \$1.76 billion, \$187 million (or 11.9%) higher than the budgeted FY2012 estimate while Vehicle Quota Premiums are estimated to increase by \$739 million (or 36.5%) to \$2.76 billion.

Other Taxes, which comprise the Foreign Worker Levy, Water Conservation Tax, Development Charge and Annual Tonnage Tax, are estimated at \$4.29 billion, \$413 million (or 10.7%) higher than the budgeted FY2012 estimate.

Total Expenditure

Revised FY2012 Total Expenditure amounts to \$50.11 billion. This is slightly lower than the budgeted FY2012 estimate by \$177 million (or 0.4%). This decrease is mainly attributed to lower expected defence-related expenditure.

Special Transfers

Special Transfers and Top-ups to Endowment and Trust Funds are expected to total \$8.87 billion in FY2012.

Net Investment Returns Contribution

NIRC for FY2012 is expected to be \$7.65 billion. This is \$327 million (or 4.5%) higher than the budgeted FY2012 estimate.

Budget Position

Before taking into account Top-ups to Endowment and Trust Funds, and before NIRC, the revised basic surplus is estimated at \$3.61 billion, larger than the budgeted surplus of \$1.34 billion. After factoring in the Top-ups to Endowment and Trust Funds, and NIRC of \$7.65 billion, the estimated outturn for FY2012 is an overall budget surplus of \$3.86 billion.

TABLE 2.1: FISCAL POSITION IN FY2011 AND FY2012

	Actual FY2011	Estimated FY2012	Revised FY2012	Revised FY2012 Compared to	
				Actual FY2011	Estimated FY2012
	\$billion	\$billion	\$billion	% change	% change
OPERATING REVENUE	51.08	53.08	55.18	8.0	3.9
Corporate Income Tax	12.10	13.37	12.75	5.4	(4.7)
Personal Income Tax	6.87	7.78	7.65	11.4	(1.6)
Withholding Tax	1.26	1.25	1.27	1.1	2.2
Statutory Boards' Contributions	0.35	0.44	0.54	52.6	21.4
Assets Taxes	3.90	3.69	3.79	(2.8)	2.9
Customs and Excise Tax	2.13	2.12	2.13	(0.1)	0.4
Goods and Services Tax	8.69	9.24	8.82	1.5	(4.5)
Motor Vehicle Taxes	1.92	1.58	1.76	(8.1)	11.9
Vehicle Quota Premiums	2.11	2.02	2.76	30.7	36.5
Betting Taxes	2.37	2.40	2.30	(3.1)	(4.1)
Stamp Duty	3.18	2.49	4.18	31.5	68.0
Other Taxes	3.31	3.88	4.29	29.7	10.7
Other Fees and Charges	2.59	2.59	2.60	0.7	0.7
Others	0.30	0.25	0.33	7.7	29.5
Less:					
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	46.56	50.28	50.11	7.6	(0.4)
Operating Expenditure	35.15	37.45	37.21	5.9	(0.7)
Development Expenditure	11.41	12.83	12.90	13.0	0.5
PRIMARY SURPLUS / DEFICIT¹	4.51	2.80	5.07		
Less:					
SPECIAL TRANSFERS²	8.43	8.86	8.87	5.2	0.1
Special Transfers Excluding Top-ups to Endowment and Trust Funds	2.91	1.46	1.47		
Growth Dividends	1.50	0.00	0.00		
GST Credits	0.00	-	0.00		
GST Vouchers ³	-	0.68	0.68		
Utilities Save Rebates/Service and Conservancy Charges Rebates/Rental Rebates	0.30	0.00	0.00		
Workfare ⁴	0.24	-	-		
CPF Medisave Top-ups	0.50	0.38	0.40		
Transfers to Young Singaporeans ⁵	0.08	-	0.00		
Transfers to Seniors and the Needy ⁶	0.03	0.02	0.01		
Transfers to Businesses ⁷	0.26	0.37	0.37		
BASIC SURPLUS / DEFICIT⁸	1.61	1.34	3.61		
Top-ups to Endowment and Trust Funds	5.52	7.40	7.40		
Top-up to Endowment Funds ⁹	2.20	1.00	1.00		
National Productivity Fund	1.00	-	-		
National Research Fund	1.00	-	-		
Community Silver Trust	1.00	-	-		
Trust Fund for Workfare Special Bonus and Special Employment Credit	0.32	-	-		
GST Voucher Fund	-	2.95	2.95		
Bus Service Enhancement Fund	-	1.10	1.10		
Special Employment Credit Fund	-	2.35	2.35		
Add:					
NET INVESTMENT RETURNS CONTRIBUTION	7.92	7.33	7.65	(3.3)	4.5
OVERALL BUDGET SURPLUS / DEFICIT	4.00	1.27	3.86		

Note: Due to rounding, figures may not add up. Negative figures are shown in parentheses.

¹ Surplus / Deficit before Special Transfers and Net Investment Returns Contribution.

² Special Transfers include Top-ups to Endowment and Trust Funds.

³ Consists of a cash component, Utilities Save Rebates and CPF Medisave Top-ups.

⁴ Consists of the Workfare Income Supplement Scheme (Special Payment), Workfare Special Bonus and Special Employment Credit.

⁵ Consists of Child Development Credits and Top-ups to Edusave Accounts and Post-Secondary Education Accounts.

⁶ Consists of public transport vouchers and assistance through Citizens' Consultative Committees and funds set aside for Self-Help Groups and Voluntary Welfare Organisations.

⁷ Consists of Jobs Credit, Productivity and Innovation Credit and SME Cash Grant.

⁸ Surplus / Deficit before Top-ups to Endowment and Trust Funds and Net Investment Returns Contribution.

⁹ Consists of the Community Care Endowment Fund, Edusave Endowment Fund, ElderCare Fund, Lifelong Learning Endowment Fund and Medical Endowment Fund.