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Reform Initiatives: From FBR to a Digital Tax Administration

- Led by Minister for Finance & Revenue
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 - Chairman FBR and Team
 - Task Force on Tax & FBR Reforms





FBR Restructuring

- Establishment of a National Tax Authority
 - Federal and Provincial Taxes
- Establishment of Tax Policy & Revenue Division
 - Separation of Tax Policy from Administration

• Autonomous FBR under Tax Administration Oversight Board

- Financial Autonomy with single line budget as percentage of collection
- Collaboration with NADRA as Technical Member of Policy Board

Separation of Customs from FBR

- Focus on Trade Facilitation and Border Controls
- Oversight Board with representation from relevant ministries



Transforming FBR into IT-Driven Digital Tax Administration

• Digitalization of entire Supply Chain

- Digital Invoicing
- Additional Sectors in Track & Trace System
- New Categories in Point of Sale System

• Digitalization of 3rd Party Data

- Acquisition of data through IT Common Transmission System
- Establishment of Compliance Risk Management System
- Data Analytics & AI

• Synchronized Withholding Administration & Payment System (SWAPS)

- Linking Payer, Payee, Bank & FBR through one Portal
- Simultaneous Payments to Vendor & FBR



Broadening of Tax Base

Legislation for Documentation

- Law drafted and vetted by Law Division
- Regular & Real-Time 3rd Party Data of economic transactions
- Will obligate entities/departments to transmit data

• Implementation Plan

- Dedicated IT-driven offices established District Tax Offices
- Closer to Economic Centers
- 30% of existing Human Resource
- Awareness Campaign & facilitation
- Data exchange/integration with NADRA



Simplified Scheme for Retailers

- Contribution in GDP is 18.8% whereas in taxes it is 4%
- Scheme to determine indicative income
 - Shift in policy from collection through utility bills
 - Based on factors of location, value and rent
 - Mobile App *Tajir Dost* to calculate and pay the tax
- Indicative Income as 3 times of the rental value
- Tax is payable in 12 monthly installments
- Tax paid to be adjusted at the time of filing of return



Controlling Smuggling & Mis-Invoicing

• Anti-Smuggling

- Whole of Govt approach including Joint Check Posts
- To equip check posts with surveillance and IT monitoring
- Improved prosecution of smugglers and facilitators
- Separation of Anti-Smuggling function from cargo clearance

• Mis-Invoicing

- Integration of Pakistan Customs with China Single Window
- Using AI Technology to reduce the role of appraiser
- Identify high risk entities and shipments using Data Analytics; and
- Create specialized work force for Post-Clearance Audit



Thanks