THE FISCAL POLICY’S IMPACT ON THE ECONOMY OF INDIA

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ABSTRACT:

India's fiscal policy has important implications for both short-term stabilization efforts and long-term growth prospects. This summary highlights the dual role of fiscal policy in managing demand fluctuations and promoting sustainable development. Although fiscal policy measures aim to stimulate demand during recessions and curb inflation during booms, challenges such as high public debt and inefficient expenditure allocation limit their effectiveness. The strategic allocation of public sector spending to infrastructure and human capital development and tax policies that encourage investment and innovation are central to sustainable economic growth. Achieving the viability of the state's finances and at the same time taking into account development needs, however, requires extensive administrative reform, prioritization of expenditures and use of revenues. Balancing these goals is necessary to promote inclusive and sustainable economic development in India.

INTRODUCTION:

Fiscal policy is a crucial tool that governments use to manage their country’s economy. It involves the use of government spending, taxation, and borrowing to influence economic activity, stabilize the economy, and achieve specific economic goals. Here are some key aspects of fiscal policy:

1. Government Spending: Fiscal policy involves decisions about how much the government should spend on various programs, services, and infrastructure projects. Increasing government spending can stimulate economic growth by creating demand for goods and services and promoting job creation. Decreasing spending can help control inflation and reduce budget deficits.

2. Taxation: Taxation is another important component of fiscal policy. Governments collect taxes from individuals and businesses to fund public services and programs. Fiscal policy can use tax cuts to stimulate economic activity by putting more money in the hands of consumers and businesses. Conversely, tax increases can reduce spending and help control inflation.

3. Budget Deficits and Surpluses: Governments often run budget deficits when their expenditures exceed their revenues. Conversely, they run surpluses when revenues exceed expenditures. The choice to have a deficit or surplus depends on economic conditions and government priorities. Deficits can be used to stimulate economic growth during recessions, while surpluses can be used to pay down debt and save for the future.

4. Debt Management: Fiscal policy includes decisions about borrowing and debt management. Governments issue bonds and other debt instruments to finance deficits and fund public projects. Effective debt management is essential to ensure that borrowing costs remain sustainable and do not become a burden on future generations.

5. Counter-Cyclical Policy: Fiscal policy can be used in a counter-cyclical manner to respond to economic downturns and recessions. During economic crises, governments may increase spending and cut taxes to boost demand and support job creation. Conversely, during periods of high inflation or economic overheating, fiscal policy can become more restrictive to cool down the economy.

6. Income Redistribution: Fiscal policy can be used to address income inequality by implementing progressive taxation and social spending programs. These policies can transfer resources from wealthier individuals and businesses to those with lower incomes, aiming to reduce disparities in wealth and well-being.

7. Public Investments: Governments use fiscal policy to fund critical public investments in infrastructure, education, healthcare, and research and development. These investments are essential for long-term economic growth and competitiveness.

8. Political Considerations: Fiscal policy decisions are often influenced by political considerations, such as the government’s ideology, public opinion, and electoral cycles. Politicians may use fiscal policy to fulfill campaign promises or address immediate concerns.

OBJECTIVE OF THE STUDY
**Objective of the Fiscal policy:**

The objectives of fiscal policy, as implemented by governments, vary depending on the economic conditions and policy priorities of a country. Fiscal policy is a powerful tool used to achieve a range of economic and social goals.

1. **Economic Growth and Stability:**
   - Promote and sustain economic growth by boosting aggregate demand during economic downturns and mitigating inflationary pressures during economic upswings.
   - Stabilize business cycles to reduce economic volatility, which can lead to recession or overheating.

2. **Full Employment:**
   - Create an environment that supports job creation and reduces unemployment rates.
   - Use fiscal measures to stimulate employment during periods of economic recession or stagnation.

3. **Price Stability:**
   - Control inflation by adjusting fiscal policy tools, such as taxation and government spending, to moderate demand and curb rising prices.
   - Prevent deflationary pressures during periods of economic contraction.

4. **Income Distribution and Poverty Reduction:**
   - Implement progressive taxation to redistribute wealth and reduce income inequality.
   - Allocate resources for social welfare programs, education, healthcare, and poverty alleviation to improve living standards for disadvantaged populations.

**Hypothesis**

1. **Hypothesis 1:**
   - Null Hypothesis (H0): There is no significant relationship between changes in government spending and economic growth.
   - Alternative Hypothesis (H1): Changes in government spending have a positive and significant effect on economic growth.

In this hypothesis, the researcher is examining whether fluctuations in government spending influence the rate of economic growth in a country.

2. **Hypothesis 2:**
   - Null Hypothesis (H0): An increase in tax rates does not lead to a decrease in private sector investment.
   - Alternative Hypothesis (H1): An increase in tax rates leads to a significant decrease in private sector investment.

This hypothesis aims to assess the potential impact of tax policy on private sector investment.

3. **Hypothesis 3:**
   - Null Hypothesis (H0): Fiscal stimulus measures have no effect on reducing unemployment rates during economic recessions.
   - Alternative Hypothesis (H1): Fiscal stimulus measures are effective in reducing unemployment rates during economic recessions.

Here, the researcher is investigating whether government stimulus packages have a measurable impact on employment levels during economic downturns.

**LITERATURE REVIEW**

A range of studies have explored the impact of fiscal policy on India's economy.

Kumar (2010) emphasizes the need for fiscal consolidation and sustainability, warning that further fiscal deficit increases could harm India's credit rating and business confidence.

Nandi (2019) underscores the importance of DSGE modeling in understanding fiscal policy transmission, with a focus on the impact of fiscal shocks on output, employment, consumption, and investment.

Jaiswal (2022) provides a descriptive review of the global financial crisis's impact on India, highlighting the decline in GDP, exports, and imports, and the role of policy initiatives in safeguarding the economy.

Heller (2008) discusses the challenges and opportunities in India's fiscal policy, emphasizing the need for a sustainable fiscal strategy to promote growth and stability.
Research Methodology

: Evaluating the Influence of Fiscal Policy on India's Economic Landscape

This research endeavors to explore the multifaceted effects of fiscal policy on the Indian economy. Fiscal policy plays a pivotal role in economic governance and stability, and this study adopts a comprehensive methodology to assess the effectiveness of fiscal policy measures in achieving economic objectives within the Indian context.

Research design

This study employs a mixed-methods research design, encompassing both quantitative and qualitative research techniques. This combined approach enhances the depth and breadth of understanding concerning the influence of fiscal policy on India's economic performance.

5.2 Data Collection

a. Primary Data: The research will involve surveys and interviews with key stakeholders, including policymakers, economists, and relevant government officials. These primary sources will provide firsthand insights into fiscal policy decisions and their underlying rationales.

b. Secondary Data: To ensure robust analysis, this study heavily relies on secondary data sources, including governmental reports, economic datasets, scholarly literature, and financial statements. Data will be collected over a specific timeframe to capture evolving trends.

Analysis of Questionnaire

From the above chart we have find that that Fiscal policy of India is very effective(20%) and 50% is somewhat effective, 20% ineffective and 20% unsure.

As per the response the primary goals of India is promoting economic growth, reducing income inequality, maintaining price stability and reduce unemployment.

As per the response the major source of revenue in India is Goods and service tax 70%, property tax/ sales tax/ excise duties and education tax/ import tariffs and road tolls.

As per the responds the extent that the unemployment addressed in India is 40% made no significant impact on unemployment, 20% significantly reduced unemployment and also same for others.

As per the respond the recent fiscal policy affected India economic growth is 30% positively and same as negative also for shows same for no significant impact and 10% I don’t know.

Finding:-

Discoveries and Comes about:
The discoveries of this think about uncover a complex interaction between financial arrangement measures and different financial pointers within the Indian setting. Government investing, especially on foundation ventures and social welfare programs, rises as a strong driver of financial development, invigorating request and speculation. Be that as it may, the adequacy of monetary boost is unexpected upon proficient assignment and execution to maintain a strategic distance from swarming out private speculation and inflationary weights.

Additionally, the composition of government consumption, with accentuation on profitable segments such as instruction, healthcare, and foundation, altogether impacts long-term development potential and human capital improvement. Monetary solidification endeavors through judicious tax assessment approaches are found to be instrumental in guaranteeing financial maintainability and financial specialist certainty. In any case, the backward nature of certain assess changes warrants consideration to value concerns and pay dispersion.

Moreover, the investigation highlights the part of monetary shortages in affecting macroeconomic solidness, with over the top shortfalls posturing dangers of inflationary weights and outside vulnerabilities. Vital administration of shortages and debt dynamics is basic to preserve monetary teach whereas supporting growth-oriented uses.

Conclusion:

Findings and Events The findings here reveal the complex interaction between financial regulatory measures and various financial guidelines in the Indian environment. State investment, especially in foundation projects and social security programs, is a strong driver of economic development, refreshing demand and speculation. Be that as it may, the sufficiency of monetary growth is unexpected when the task is skillful ordering and execution to maintain a strategic distance from private speculation and looming inflationary pressures. In addition, there is a composition of public consumption that emphasizes profitable segments such as education, health care, and foundations, which together have an impact on long-term development potential and improvement of human capital. Judicial taxation methods of financial consolidation efforts have been found to play a key role in ensuring financial sustenance and expert certainty. In any case, the backward nature of certain revisions requires consideration of value issues and wage dispersion. In addition, the study highlights the role of cash shortages in the parts affecting macroeconomic stability, and overwhelming shortages lead to inflation shirts and bottoms.

REFERENCES:


These references provide a comprehensive picture of the impact of fiscal policy on the Indian economy and include various empirical analyses, theoretical references and policy perspectives.