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Funding the Republic

January to February Fiscal Deficit at Php 40.4 Billion Better Than Program by Php 7.7 Billion

February Fiscal Deficit at P25.0 Billion

16 March 2006, Manila, Philippines: The January to February fiscal deficit of the National Government reached P 40.4 billion, registering an over performance of P7.7 billion compared with the programmed ceiling of P48.1 billion. The National Government incurred a deficit in February amounting to P25.0 billion, lower by P2.2 billion than the program but slightly higher than the deficit of P23.6 billion incurred during the same period last year.

Revenue Performance

Revenue collections reached P64.3 billion for the month of February, higher than the programmed collection of P58.0 billion. It grew by 32% compared to the same period of last year's P48.7 billion. For January to February, revenues grew by 21 % compared to the same period last year from P113.1 billion. This is P9.1 billion excess over the first two months program of P127.8 billion.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) and the Bureau of Customs (BOC) registered a growth of 32% and 37%, respectively, for February compared to same month last year. Actual collections for the month were recorded at P41.7 billion for BIR and P12.6 billion for BOC, exceeding their targets by P3.0 billion and P0.3 billion, respectively. Likewise, the Bureau of the Treasury income was recorded at P6.6 billion exceeding its target by P3.4 billion.

Expenditures

Actual disbursements in February amounted to P89.2 billion. For January to February 2006, total disbursements amounted to P177.3 billion, P4.1 billion above the program and 24% higher than the comparable disbursements in 2005.

Primary Surplus/(Deficit)

Netting out the interest payments in the expenditures, the National Government recorded a primary surplus for the month amounting to P11.8 billion higher than the amount recorded last year. Cumulatively, the primary surplus amounted to P28.3 billion for January to February or 69% higher than the amount recorded last year.

Fiscal Performance

January to February 2006

(In Billion Pesos)

	February Actual		2006 February Program	Program vs Actual	Percent Growth 2006/2005
	2005	2006			
Deficit	-23.6	-25.0	-27.2	2.2	6.0
Revenues	48.7	64.3	58.0	6.3	32.0
Expenditures	72.3	89.2	85.1	4.1	23.5

	Jan-Feb Actual		2006 Jan-Feb Program	Program vs Actual	Percent Growth 2006/2005
	2005	2006			
Deficit	-40.1	-40.4	-48.1	7.7	0.9
Revenues	113.1	136.9	127.8	9.1	21.1
Expenditures	153.1	177.3	176.0	1.4	15.8

National Government Revenues

January to February 2006
(In Billion Pesos)

	February Actual		2006 February Program	Program vs Actual	Percent Growth 2006/2005
	2005	2006			
Revenues	48.7	64.3	58.0	6.3	32.0
BIR	31.7	41.7	38.7	3.0	31.7
BOC	9.2	12.6	12.3	0.3	36.6
BTr	3.7	6.7	3.3	3.4	78.2
Other Offices	4.1	3.3	3.7	-0.4	-18.8

	Jan-Feb Actual		2006 Jan-Feb Program	Program vs Actual	Percent Growth 2006/2005
	2005	2006			
Revenues	113.1	136.9	127.8	9.1	21.1
BIR	73.7	91.2	88.7	2.5	23.8
BOC	19.8	25.6	24.4	1.2	29.2
BTr	12.7	12.6	7.6	4.9	-1.5
Other Offices	6.8	7.6	7.1	0.5	11.0

National Government Expenditures

January-February 2006

(In Billion Pesos)

	February Actual		2006 February Program	Program vs Actual	Percent Growth 2006/2005
	2005	2006			
Expenditures	72.3	89.2	85.1	4.1	23.5
ALGUs	12.2	13.5	n.a.	n.a.	10.3
Subsidy	0.1	0.9	n.a.	n.a.	507.4
Int. Payments	25.1	36.8	32.8	4.0	46.9
Equity	0.0	0.0	n.a.	n.a.	0.0
Net Lending	0.5	0.7	n.a.	n.a.	33.5
Others	34.3	37.3	n.a.	n.a.	8.9

	Jan-Feb Actual		2006 Jan-Feb Program	Program vs Actual	Percent Growth 2006/2005
	2005	2006			
Expenditures	153.1	177.3	176.0	1.4	15.8
ALGUs	23.9	26.5	n.a.	n.a.	10.8
Subsidy	0.3	2.6	n.a.	n.a.	663.7
Int. Payments	56.8	68.7	65.8	2.9	21.0
Equity	0.0	0.0	n.a.	n.a.	0.0
Net Lending	1.6	1.5	n.a.	n.a.	-9.4
Others	70.4	78.0	n.a.	n.a.	10.8

NG Primary Surplus/(Deficit)

January-February 2006

(In Billion Pesos)

	February Actual		2006 Feb Program	Program vs Actual	Percent Growth 2006/2005
	2005	2006			
Primary Surplus/(Deficit)	1.5	11.8	5.6	6.2	685.6
Revenues	48.7	64.3	58.0	6.3	32.0
Expenditures (Net of IP)	47.2	52.4	52.3	0.1	11.1

	Jan-Feb Actual		2006 Jan-Feb Program	Program vs Actual	Percent Growth 2006/2005
	2005	2006			
Primary Surplus/(Deficit)	16.7	28.3	17.7	10.6	69.4
Revenues	113.1	136.9	127.8	9.1	21.1
Expenditures (Net of IP)	96.3	108.6	110.1	-1.5	12.8