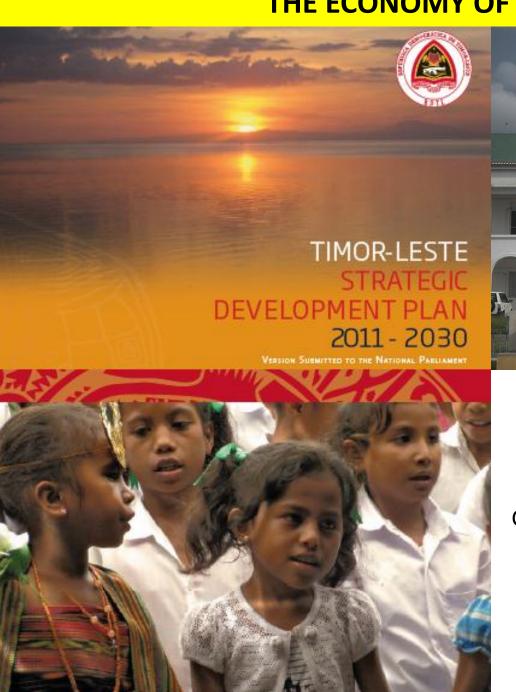
THE ECONOMY OF TIMOR-LESTE





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Outline



- 1. Timor-Leste Strategic Development Plan
- 2. Timor-Leste's Recent Economic Development
- Fiscal Policy
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Strategic Development Plan: Vision and Stage of Implementation



STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2011-2030

"Vision: Timor-Leste to be an upper-middle income country by 20130"

Short-Term 2011-2015

Mid-Term 2016-2020

Long-Term 2021-2030

STAGE I

- Human ResourcesDevelopment;
- Infrastructure;
- Strategic Industries.

STAGE II

- Infrastructure;
- StrengtheningHuman Resources;
- Market Formation.

Stage III

- Eradication of Extreme Poverty;
- Strong Private & Cooperative Sector;
- Diversified Non-oil Economy.



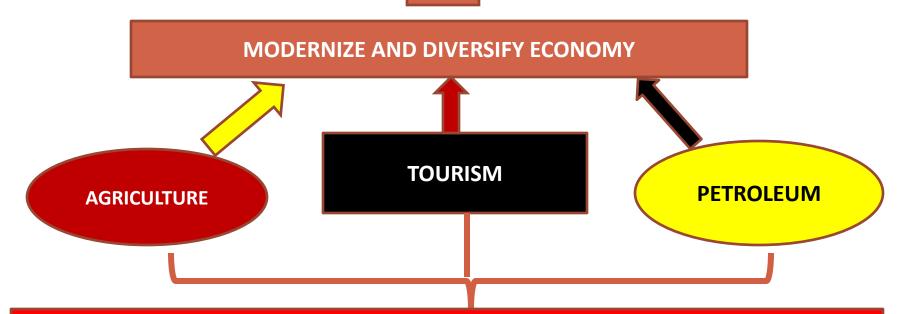
TL's Economy Must Be Diversified



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TRANSFORMING STRUCTURE OF ECONOMY



KEY SUPPORTING SECTOR: Infrastructure and Human Capital Development



Major Economic Policies



•To achieve inclusive and high economic growth rate:

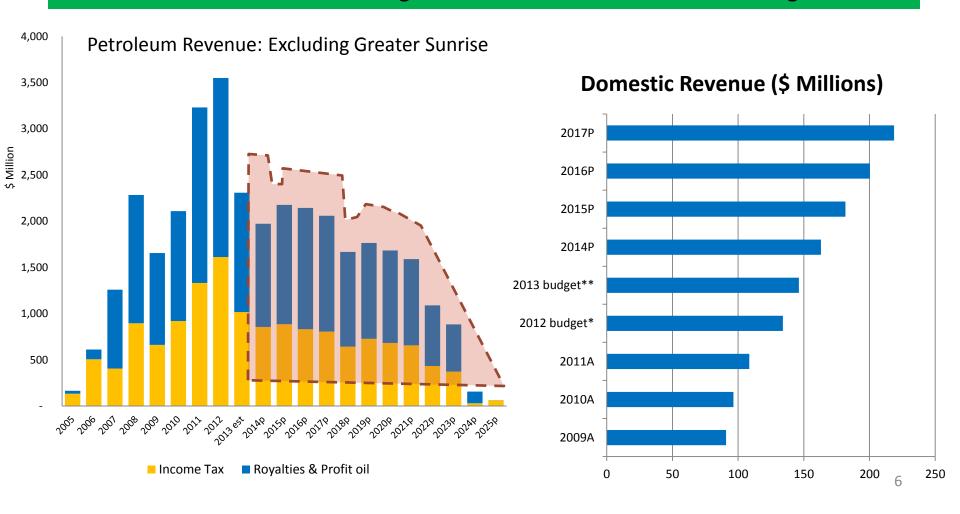
- "Front loading" for infrastructure and human capital development;
- "Transparency" of Public Financial Management and Petroleum Fund;
- "Tax reform" to provide incentive for private sector investment;
- "SME development" via PDD, PDID and PNDS;
- Establishment of Central Bank and a Public Commercial Bank
- "Loans" for infrastructure "cheap money";
- "PPP" for Airports and Sea Port;
- Social assistance program.



Revenue: Domestic and Petroleum Revenues



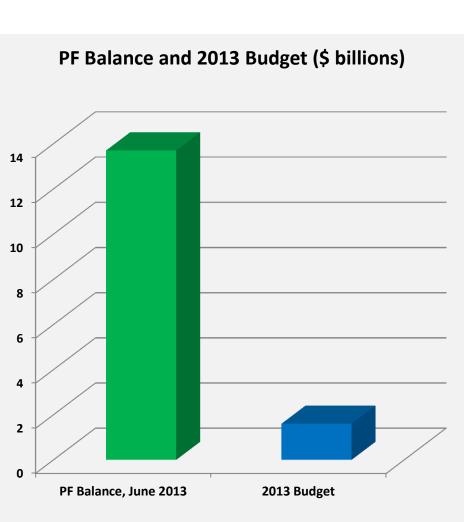
PR decreases in the long run but domestic revenue is increasing

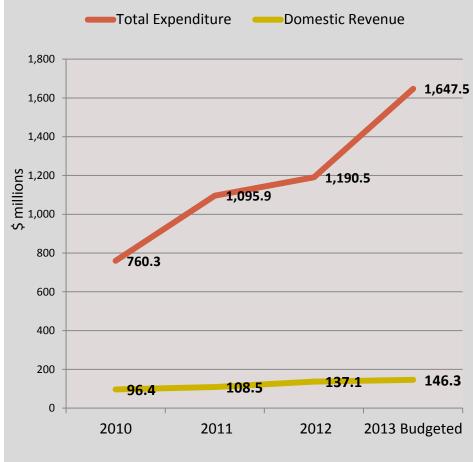






Substantial Savings and Increased in Expenditures

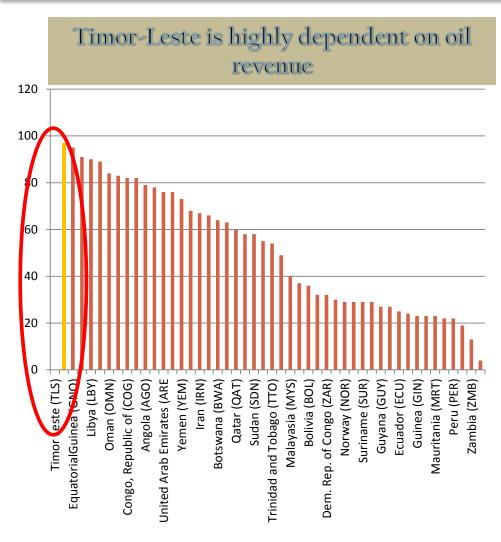


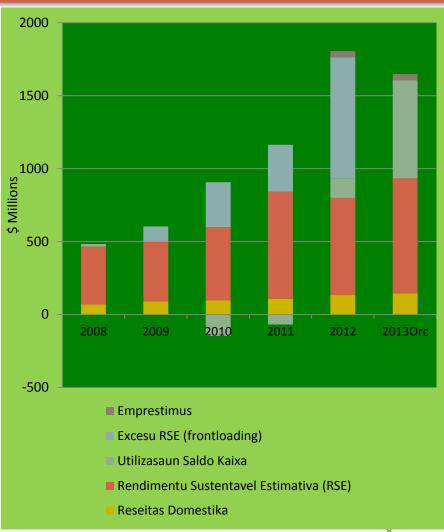






Increase in Expenditure Financed by Withdrawals from Petroleum Fund

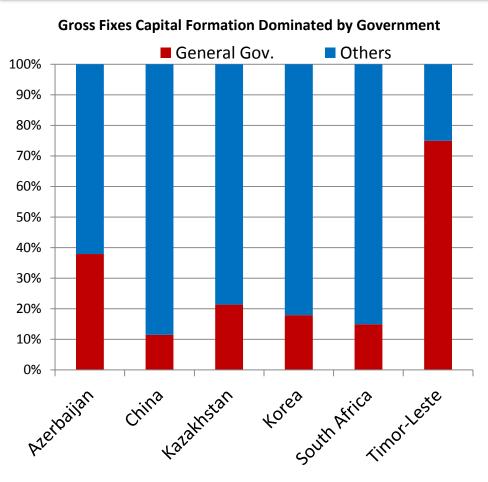


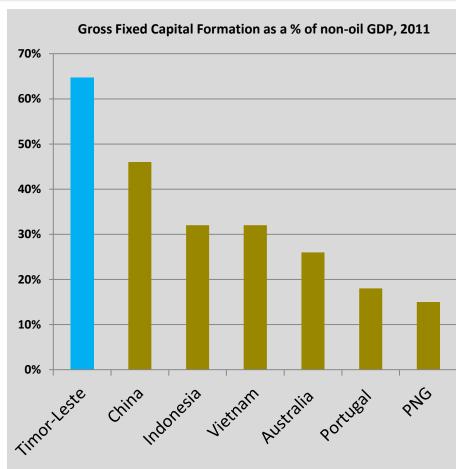






Government Expenditures Dominates Investments







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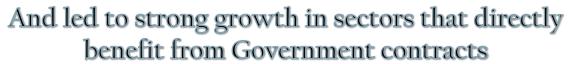
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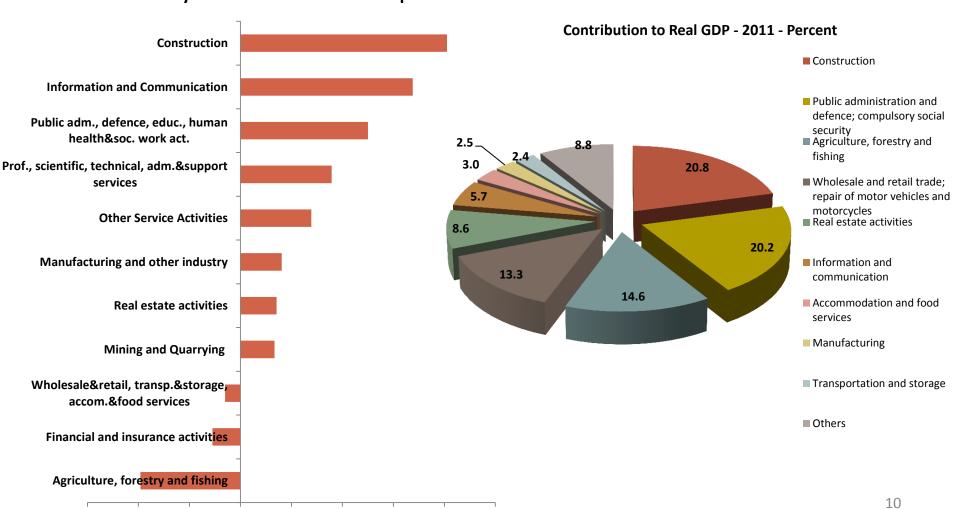
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Fiscal Policy





Growth Rate by Sector in 2011 at constant prices



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Economic Growth



And led to strong overall rates of GDP growth...

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011*
Total GDP Growth Rate (%)	134.3	53.3	60.2	-0.6	12.1	-6.7	-1.4	7.3
Oil GDP Growth Rate (%)	664.9	77.6	79.9	-2.7	11.6	-10.6	-4.1	6.0
Non-Oil GDP Growth Rate (%)	0.4	6.5	-3.2	11.6	14.6	12.8	9.5	12.0
Total GDP (\$M)	1,675.6	2,568.3	4,113.4	4,088.2	4,583.0	4,275.0	4,215.6	4,525.1
Oil GDP (\$M)	1,102.2	1,957.5	3,522.0	3,428.1	3,826.3	3,421.7	3,281.3	3,478.4
Non-Oil GDP (\$M)	573.3	610.8	591.4	660.1	756.7	853.3	934.3	1,046.7
Total GDP Per-Capita (\$)	1,760	2,649	4,160	4,046	4,432	4,032	3,871	4,040
Oil GDP Per-Capita(\$)	1,158	2,019	3,561	3,393	3,700	3,228	3,013	3,106
Non-Oil GDP Per-Capita (\$)	602	630	598	653	732	805	858	935

Note: All figures are based on the updated figures from National Account (NA 2000-2011)



Economic Growth

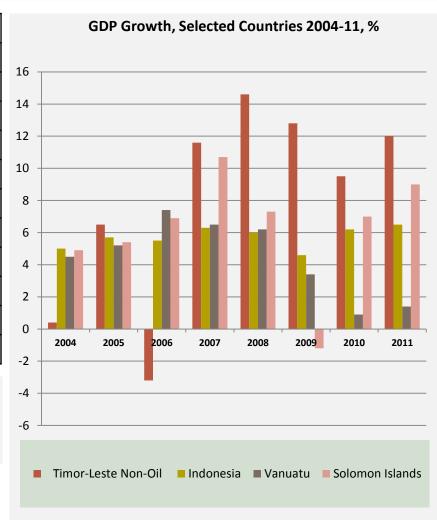
...Amongst the highest in the region



	Actual	Projection		
2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
9.2%	10.4%	9.2%	7.8%	8.2%
1.4%	2.5%	2.1%	3.3%	3.0%
-1.0%	14.8%	4.9%	2.1%	2.9%
1.7%	7.0%	4.5%	5.4%	5.8%
4.6%	6.2%	6.5%	6.0%	6.3%
5.3%	6.8%	5.9%	5.1%	5.9%
1.1%	7.6%	3.9%	4.8%	4.8%
-2.3%	7.8%	0.1%	5.6%	6.0%
-1.5%	7.2%	5.1%	4.4%	4.7%
12.8%	9.5%	12.0	10.6**	10.4**
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[•]Timor-Leste GDP refers to the non-oil sector only

Sources: National Directorate of Economic Policy, Ministry of Finance, 2012 and IMF WEO October 2012



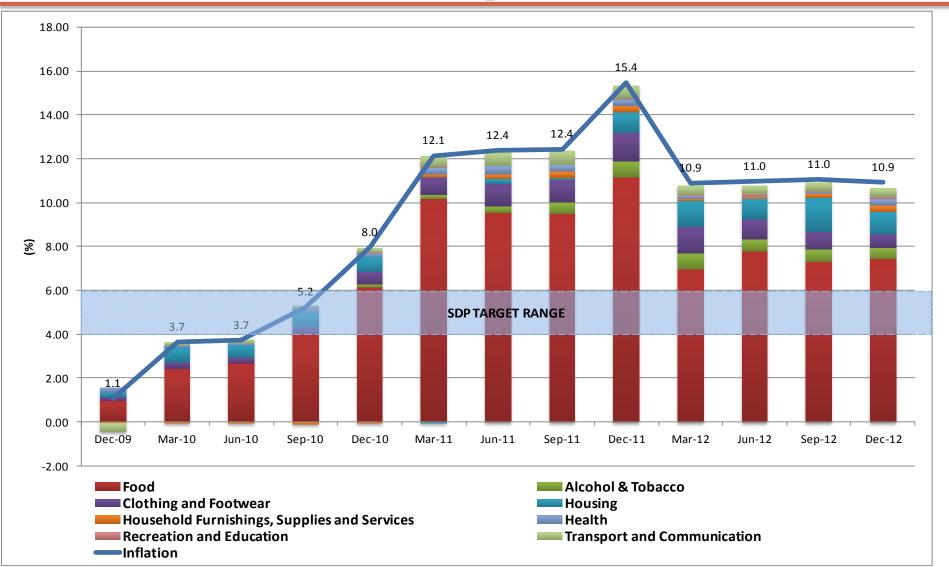
^{•**} Targets



INFLATION



And concerns that high inflation will undermine future competiveness



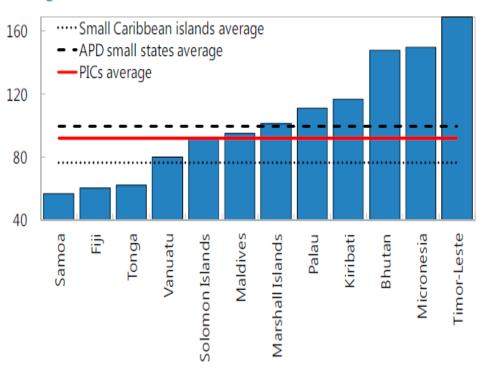


BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT



Private sector growth is important but there are concerns regarding business environment

Figure 13. Small States—Asia and Pacific Region: Ease of Doing Business Index ^{1/}



Sources: World Bank, *Doing Business 2013*; and IMF staff estimates.

1/ A lower number indicates a more friendly business climate.

	Doing Business 2013 E Rank	<u>Doing</u> Business 201 <u>Rank</u>	2 Change in Rank
Total 185 Countries	169	169	0
Topic Rankings			
Starting a Business	147	151	4
Dealing with Construction Permits	116	118	2
Getting Electricity	40	45	5
Registering Property	185	185	No change
Getting Credit	159	158	-1
Protecting Investors	139	136	-3
Paying Taxes	61	56	-5
Trading Across Borders	83	82	-1
Enforcing Contracts	185	185	No change
Resolving Insolvency	185	185	No change



Key Challenges

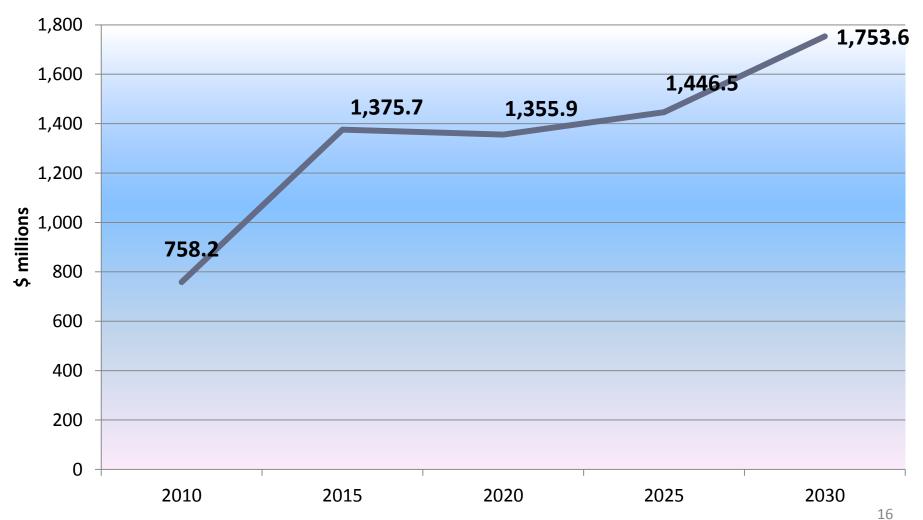


- 1. Strong and credible institutions;
- 2. Qualify and adequate human resources;
- 3. Adequate and appropriate infrastructure;
- 4. Create a good business environment;
- 5. Economic structural reform;
- 6. From oil economy to non-oil economy.



Key Challenges & Way Forward **SDP: Expenditure Target**



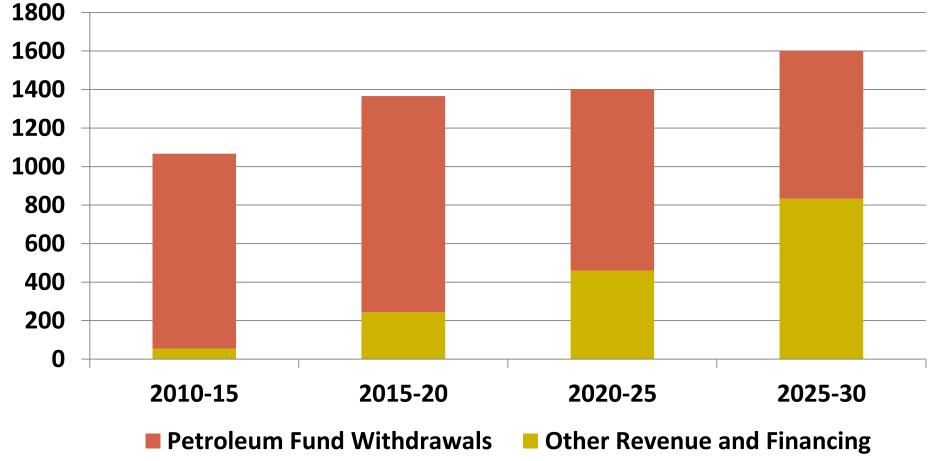




SDP: Petroleum Fund Withdrawal Target



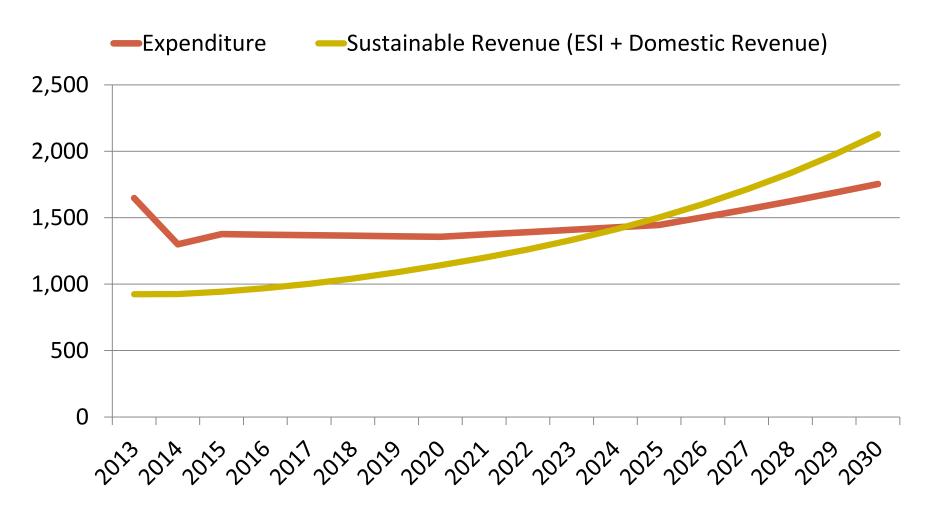






Growth in expenditure will have to be moderated in the medium term



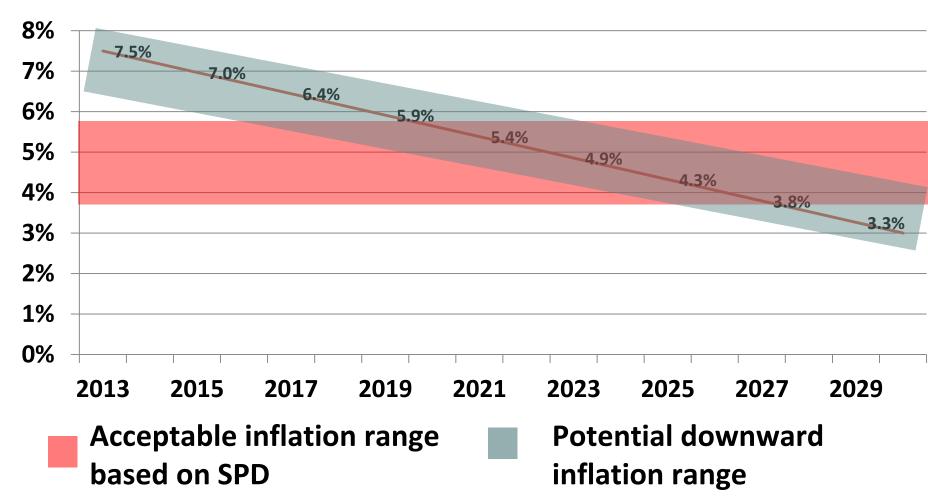




Needs to have a moderate inflation



Potential Inflation Trend





Needs to maintain the momentum of high growth rate



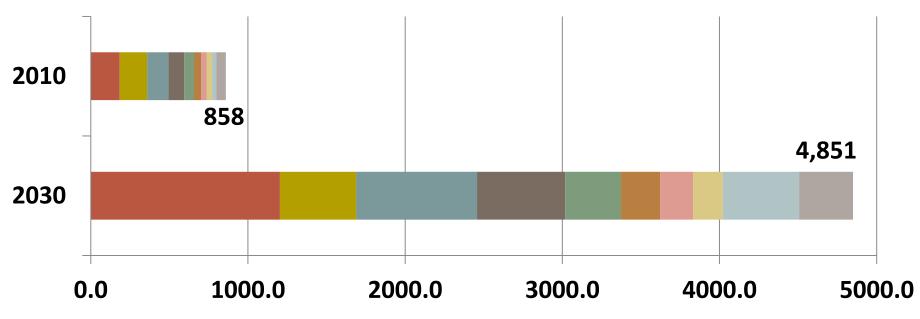
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Senariu B: Moderate Growth Rate (9.5%)	USD 3,136	Tinan 8.9	USD 1.301	517	1.8	
Senariu C: High Growth Rate With Labor Intensive (11%)	USD 4,117	Tinan 12.4	USD 1.134	752	1.4	
Senariu D: High Growth Rate With Capital Intensive	USD 4,117	Tinan 12.4	USD 2.117	517	1.2	



And the growth should be contributed by potential sectors in the economy



Nominal GDP by Sector, in 2010 US\$ millions



- Agriculture, forestry and fishing
- Retail & wholesale
- Construction
- Transport
- Manufacturing

- Public administration
- Real estate activities
- Information and communication
- Accom & restaurants
- Others



Conclusion



- Timor-Leste's vision is to be an upper-middle income country by 2030;
- Government spending has driven strong economic growth;
- Substantial savings mean no fiscal crisis in the short or medium term;
- Development of Agriculture, Tourism, and Petroleum is required to diversify the economy.