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# 2013 Post Budget Panel Discussion

*Moving the Economy into Positive Growth  
(Partnerships between Public & Private Sectors)*

*October 2, 2012*

# RECIPE FOR GROWTH

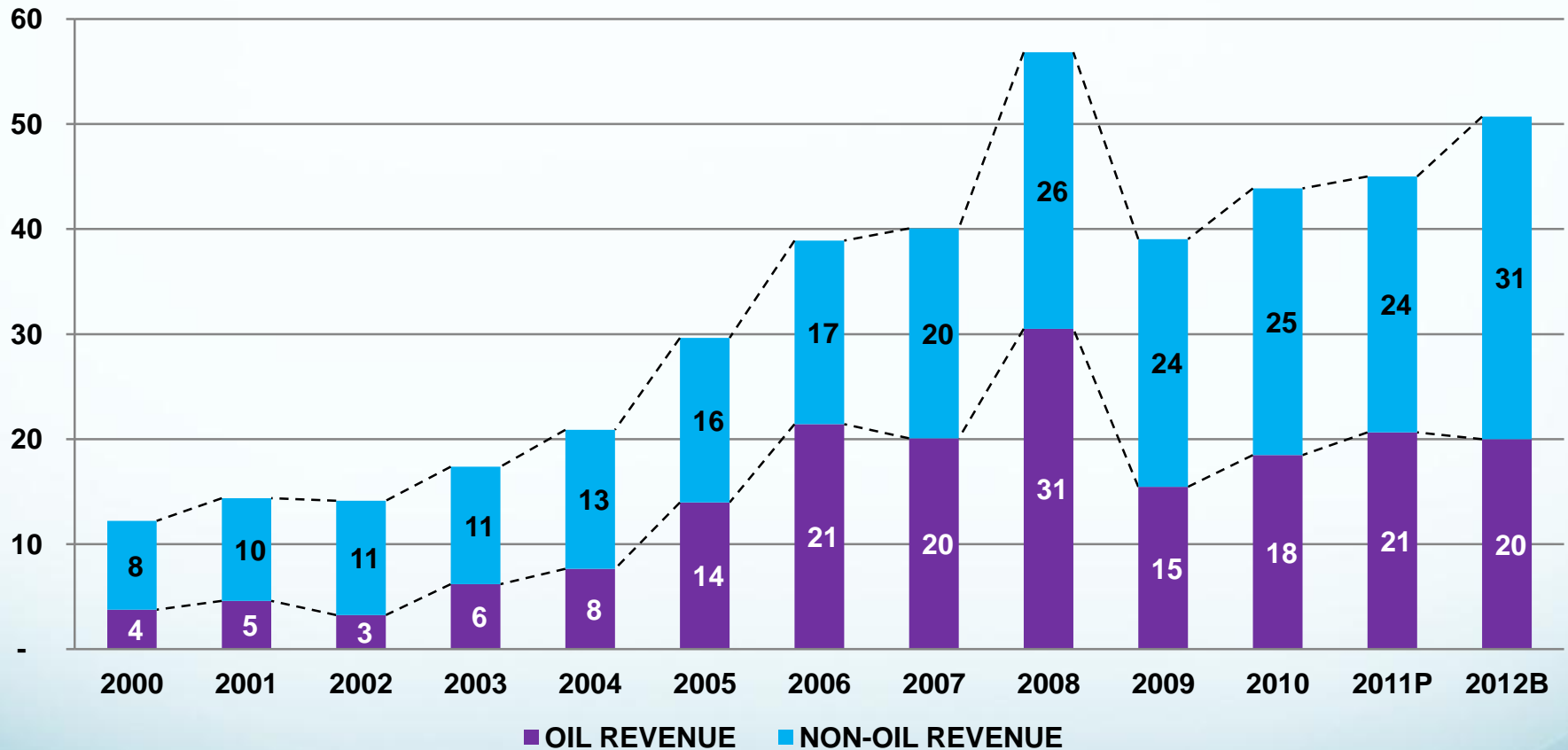
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# RECIPE FOR GROWTH

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  - **Diversify Revenue sources**
2. Unleashing Productivity
3. Productive Investment and FDI

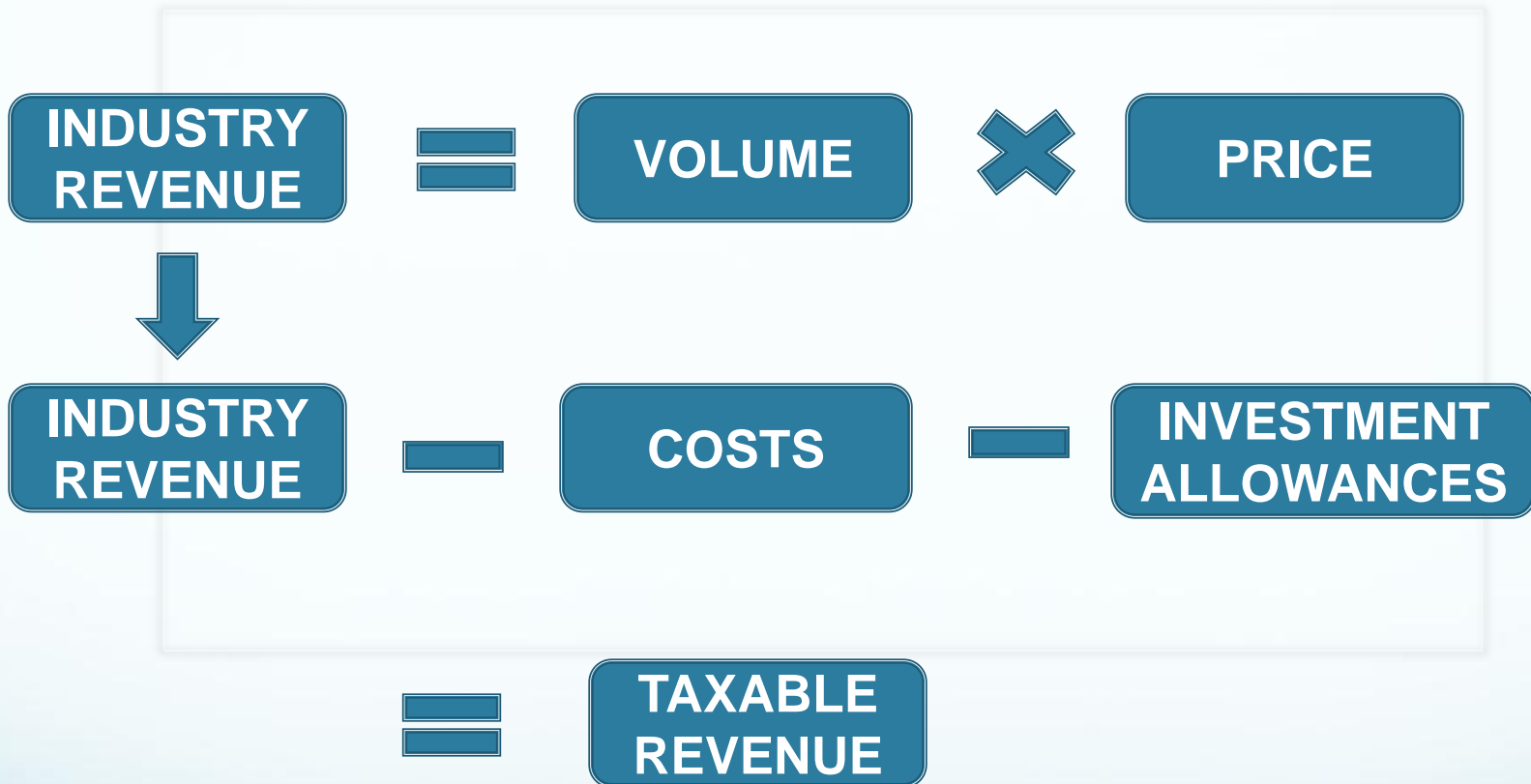
# CENTRAL GOVERNMENT TOTAL REVENUE

TT\$ BILLIONS



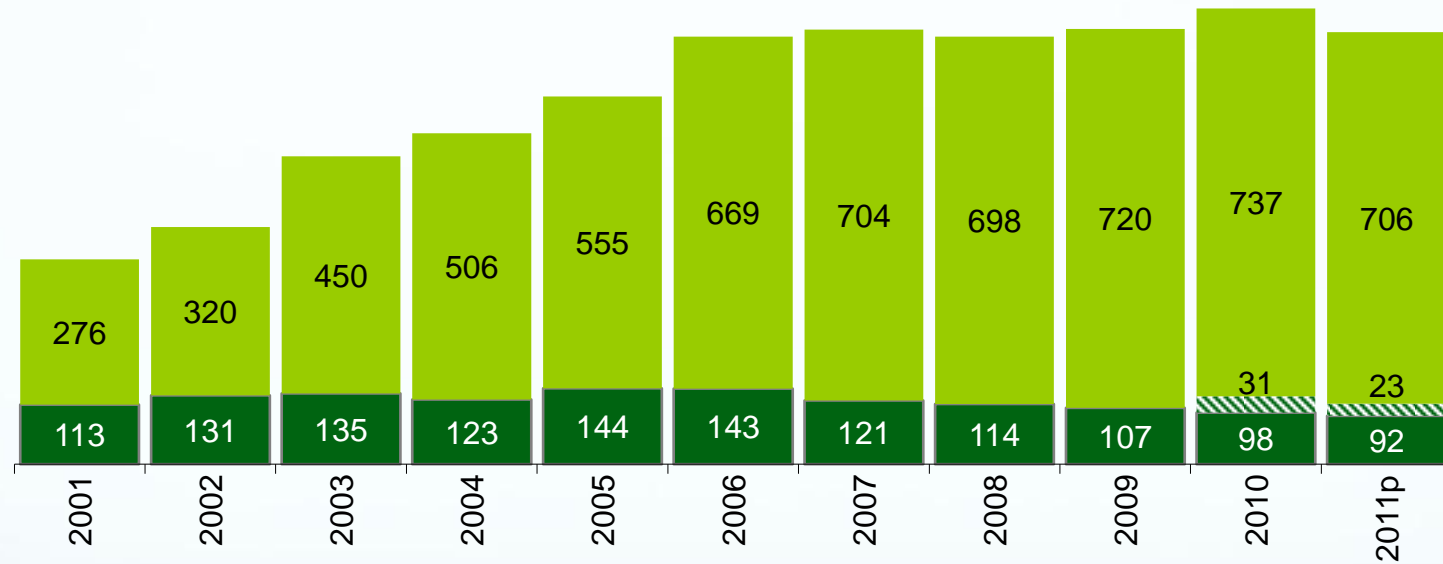
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# PETROLEUM REVENUE



- Future Revenue and Revenue Growth cannot be sustained
- PRICES have collapsed from a peak in 2008
- Depressed global markets and increasing competition in gas based industries

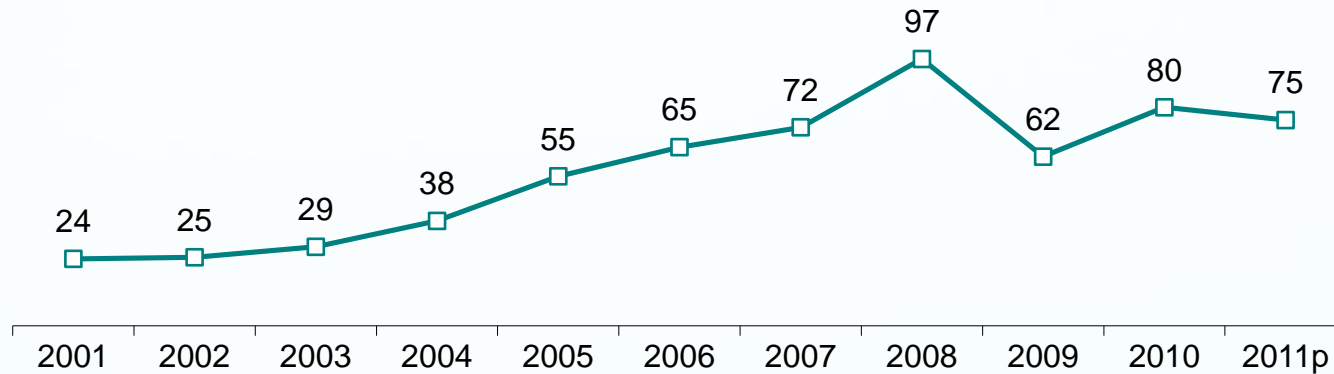
# OIL & GAS PRODUCTION



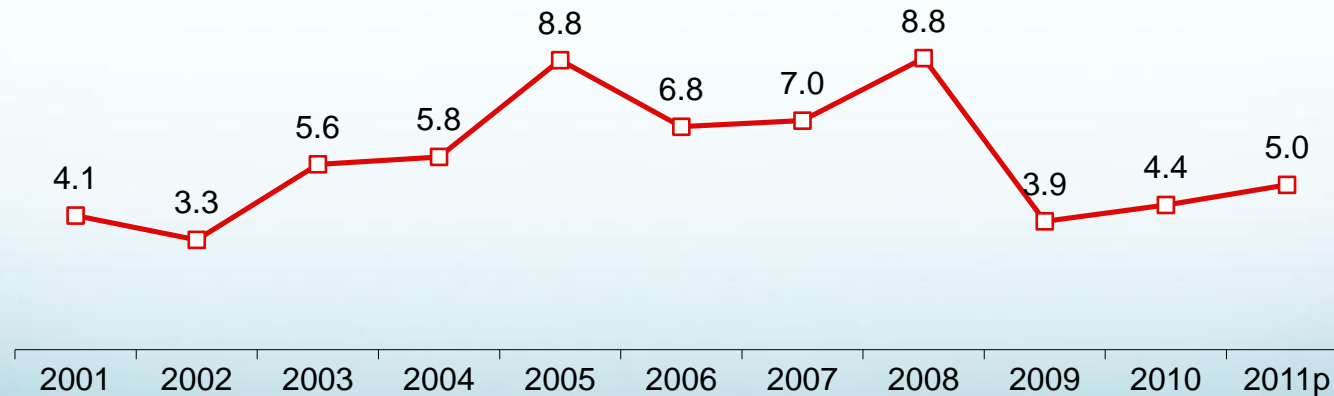
- Crude Oil Production (mbd)
- ▨ Condensate Production (mb/d)
- Gas Production (mboed)

# OIL & GAS PRICES

**Oil Price \$/bbl**

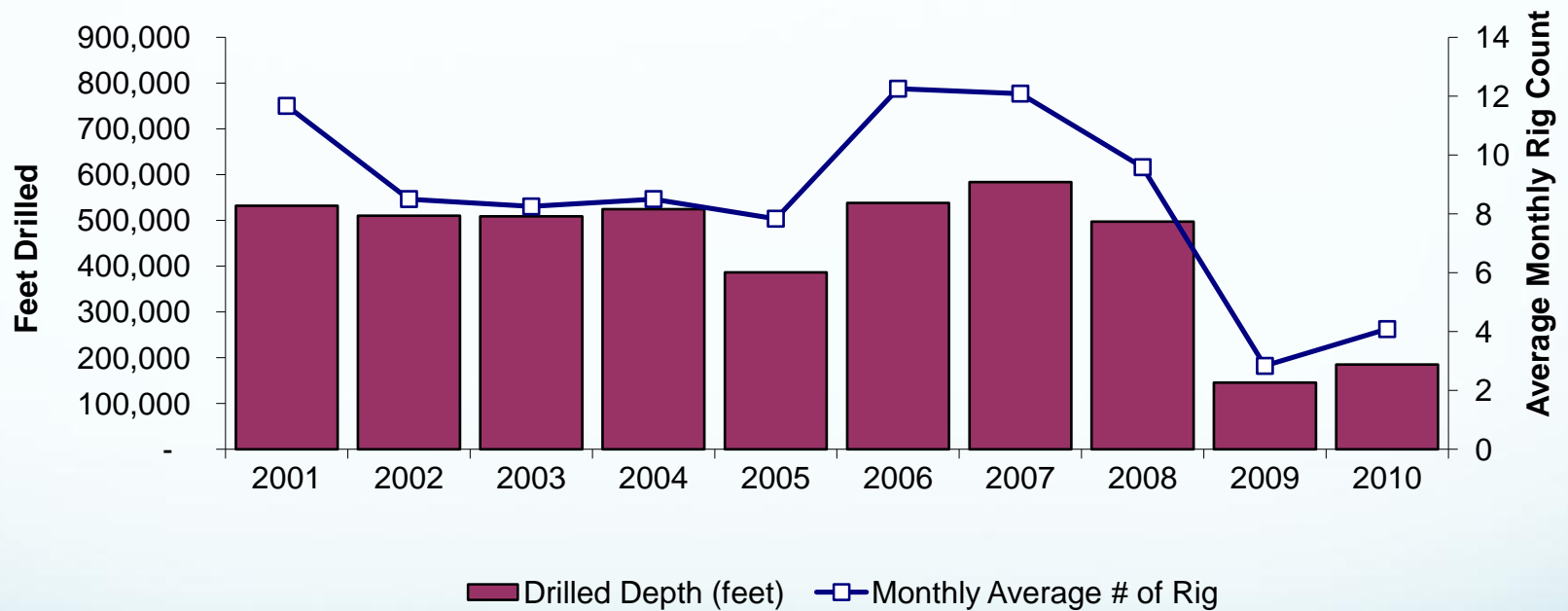


**Gas Price \$/mmbtu**



# UPSTREAM CAPEX INDICATOR

## Rigs Count & Drilled Depth



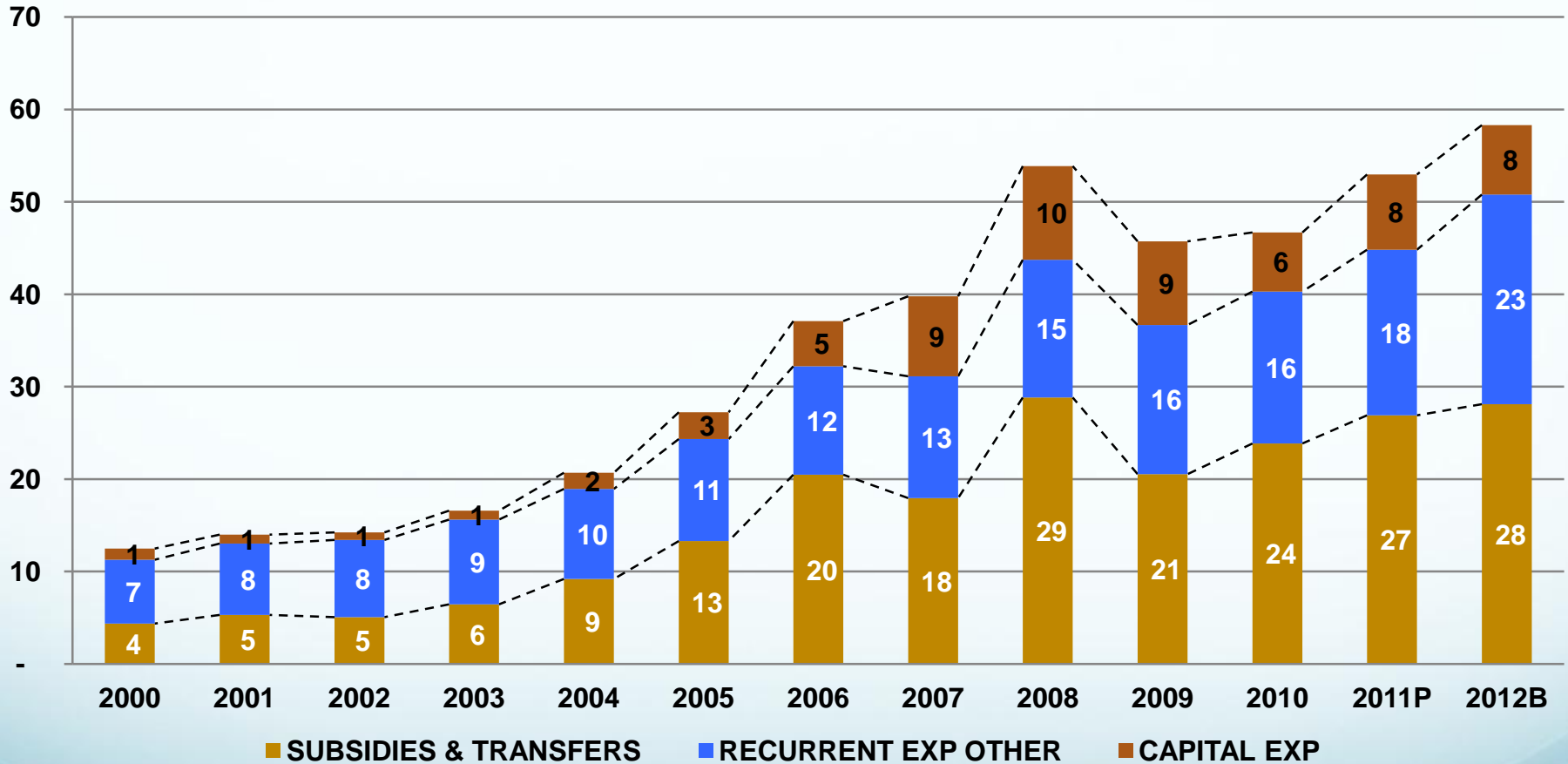


# RECIPE FOR GROWTH

1. Sustainable macroeconomic environment to support investment
  - Diversify Revenue sources
  - Reduce expenditure and subsidies
2. Unleashing Productivity
3. Productive Investment and FDI

# CENTRAL GOVERNMENT TOTAL EXPENDITURE

TT\$ BILLIONS



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# RECIPE FOR GROWTH

1. Sustainable macroeconomic environment to support investment
2. Unleashing Productivity
  - Remove the Bureaucratic Impediments to doing business
  - Leverage Public/Private Partnerships (Roads, Housing, etc.)
  - Get Government out of running things - privatize (Port, Airport, Petrotrin Refinery, Trinmar, TSTT, FCB, NFM, ...) - Stock exchange listings
3. Productive Investment and FDI

# RECIPE FOR GROWTH

1. Sustainable macroeconomic environment to support investment
2. Unleashing Productivity
3. Productive Investment and FDI
  - Infrastructure Development
  - FDI Partnerships for Divestments
  - Energy Sector project approvals (Fiscal incentives, urgency in negotiations, Environmental and Social Responsibility)

# SOME PROPOSED PROJECTS

1. 4 Administrative Buildings for the Regional Corporations of Diego Martin, Arima, Princes Town and Penal/ Debe
2. Airport Concessionaires for the Piarco International Airport in Trinidad and the A.N.R. Robinson International Airport in Tobago
3. La Brea Port
4. Extension of the Churchill Roosevelt Highway from Cumuto to Sangre Grande
5. Additional access from Cocorite to Chaguaramas
6. Dualling of the Rivulet Road
7. Transmission Infrastructure to move power from the recently constructed Trinidad Generation Unlimited 720 megawatt power generation plant into the national grid
8. 4 building complexes for accommodating High Courts in Trincity, Carlsen Field, Sangre Grande and Penal
9. COSTAATT Campus in Chaguanas; Integrated Campus in Tobago to house the various public training institutions of COSTAATT; multi-storey upgrade to the existing structure at the UWI St. Augustine Campus
10. Expand the housing stock by tax incentives to housing developers
11. Stimulate land development by exempting from taxation profits derived from the development of land for residential purposes
12. Stimulate the construction of commercial buildings
13. Engaging financial institutions to consider consolidating their national and regional back-office operations in Trinidad and Tobago
14. Close the current broadband backbone gap by using a public-private partnership for creating an open-access broadband backbone wholesale provider
15. Invest \$1.5 billion in converting gasoline vehicles to compressed natural gas as an alternative transportation fuel over 5 years - multi-fuel stations to be constructed and pipe-line infrastructure to stations to be installed and ~90,000 vehicles, covering diesel, maxi-taxis, gasoline taxi vehicles and private high-mileage gasoline vehicles to be converted to CNG;
16. Installation of GPS devices in the entire fleet of buses; 100 new CNG-powered buses will be added to the existing fleet; a further 300 buses will be converted from diesel to CNG fuel; a bus complex is being established in San Fernando to service the southern regions; a bus facility would be established in Charlotteville, Tobago
17. The National Aquatic Centre, the National Tennis Centre and the National Velodrome will be constructed
18. 3 multi-purpose sport facilities are being constructed, 64 recreation grounds are being upgrade and 41 additional play parks are being upgraded

# IN CLOSING

1. Government needs to stop trying to do everything themselves and work more practically with the Private Sector to get things done.
2. Everything promised cannot be done. We need to focus on the most beneficial projects.
3. The Private Sector is ready and willing to embrace a partnership with the Government to return Growth to the T&T Economy.