

Union Budget FY24-25 Analysis

July 2024







Budget: Key takeaways

- ☐ FY25 Union budget has balanced well elevated Capex, employment generation, agriculture & rural development, and fiscal consolidation
- □ Key financial highlights of the budget are 16% growth in receipts & 7% growth in expenditure, leading to a fiscal deficit of Rs16.1 lakh cr, Rs5.5 lakh cr of non-tax revenues, Rs50,000 cr of divestment-related revenues & revenue expenditure growth of 6% & Capex growth of 17%. Growth rates on FY24RE
- □ 13% increase in direct taxes (up 12% corporate tax & up 14% personal taxes), 8% increase in indirect taxes & upward revision of non-tax revenues (due to incremental Rs1.3 lakh crore transfer of surplus by RBI)



Budget: Key takeaways

- ☐ The bulk of the increase in spending has been allocated to revenue expenditure (up 6% v/s 5% in the interim budget) driven by a targeted increase in transfer to states, job creation, rural housing & price stabilization
- □ Govt. maintained its focus on Capex, with a budgeted growth of 17% in FY25BE to Rs11.1 lakh cr
- □ Key spends- Roads and highways (Rs2.7 lakh cr, same as interim budget), railways (Rs2.5 lakh cr, same as interim budget), & loans for capex to states (Rs1.7 lakh cr v/s Rs1.5 lakh cr in the interim budget)
- □ FY25: We expect bond yields to remain soft and expect a 10Y benchmark yield range of 6.70-7.1%
- ☐ The FY25BE GFD/GDP is pegged at 4.9%, marginally lower than the interim budget estimate of 5.1%
- ☐ The focus is on improving the quality of the fiscal. We find the fiscal deficit targets realistic.



Budget: Revenue Side

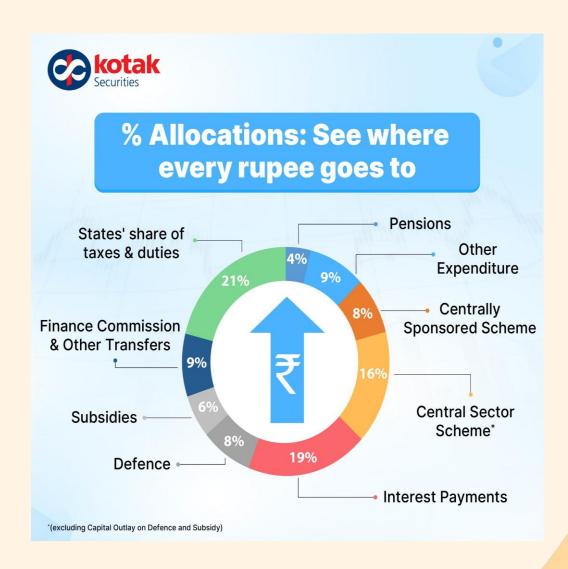
- ☐ Realistic targets for tax revenues
- ☐ Estimated 16% growth in receipts in FY25BE over FY24RE
- ☐ Direct tax revenue growth at 13% (11% for corporate tax & 16% for income tax) seems achievable. while nominal GDP growth is estimated at 10.5%
- □ Indirect taxes show a growth of 11% over FY24RE, with decent CGST growth (11%), customs duty growth (9%) & excise duty revenue growth of 5%
- ☐ Govt. kept the divestment target unchanged at Rs50,000 cr.





Budget: Expenditure Side

- ☐ Govt. has budgeted a 7% increase in exp. (6% in the interim budget)
- While ensuring that the focus remains on Capex (+17% growth) despite increasing revenue exp. by Rs1.7 lakh cr
- □ Total public sector (central government & central PSUs only) Capex is projected to grow 16% in FY25BE
- □ A modest increase in revenue exp. budgeted 5% growth (over FY24RE) in revenue expenditure to Rs37.1 lakh cr.





Budget: Deficit

- □ Central FY25 GFD/GDP target lowered to 4.9%. Govt. projected central government fiscal deficit of 4.9%, as a proportion of GDP, in FY25BE (Rs16.1 lakh cr), compared to 5.1% in the interim budget
- ☐ The government expects to finance the FY25BE fiscal deficit of Rs16.1 lakh cr through market borrowings including T-bills, National Small Savings Fund & a mix of cash balances, external assistance, and state provident funds.

| Rs. bn | | | | | | | | | | Chang | je (%) | |
|---|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Primary deficit (PD) | 2019 668 | 2020 3,216 | 2021 11,384 | 2022 7,790 | 2023 8,092 | 2024RE 6,793 | 2024P 5,898 | 2025BE 4,504 | 2023/ 2022 4 | 2024RE/ 2023 (16) | 2025BE/ 2024RE (34) | 2025BE/ 2024P (24) |
| Revenue deficit (RD) | 4,545 | 6,665 | 14,496 | 10,310 | 10,699 | 8,405 | 7,656 | 5,802 | 4 | (21) | (31) | (24) |
| Gross fiscal deficit (GFD) | 6,494 | 9,337 | 18,183 | 15,845 | 17,378 | 17,348 | 16,537 | 16,133 | 10 | (0) | (7) | (2) |
| Gross market borrowing (dated securities) | 5,715 | 7,041 | 12,601 | 9,684 | 14,210 | 15,430 | 15,430 | 14,010 | 47 | 9 | (9) | (9) |
| Net market borrowing (dated securities) | 4,233 | 4,681 | 10,329 | 7,041 | 11,083 | 11,805 | 12,193 | 11,632 | 57 | 7 | (1) | (5) |
| Short-term borrowing (T-bills/WMA) | 69 | 1,560 | 2,032 | 774 | 1,148 | 13 | (4) | (500) | | | | |
| Nominal GDP | 188,997 | 201,036 | 198,541 | 235,974 | 269,496 | 295,357 | 295,357 | 326,369 | 14.2 | 9.6 | 10.5 | 10.5 |
| PD/GDP (%) | 0.4 | 1.6 | 5.7 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 1.4 | | | | |
| RD/GDP (%) | 2.4 | 3.3 | 7.3 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 1.8 | | | | |
| GFD/GDP (%) | 3.4 | 4.6 | 9.2 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 5.9 | 5.6 | 4.9 | | | | |



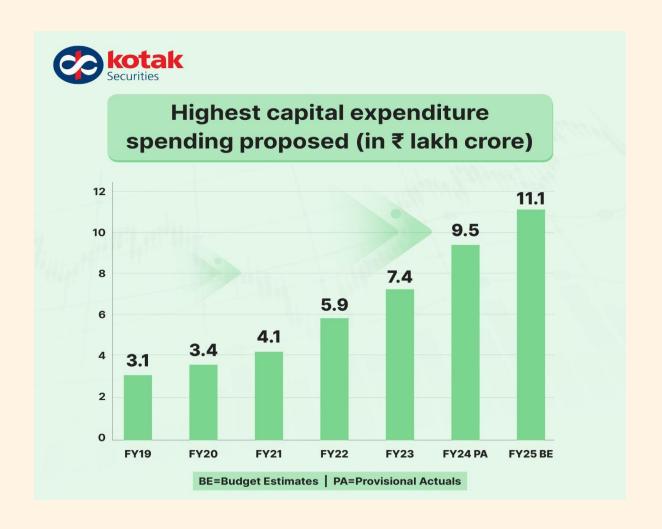
Rotak Securities Elevated Capital Expenditure

- ☐ Maintained focus on capex at 11.1 lakh cr (+17%), same as interim budget.
- ☐ Including IEBR, capex is projected to grow 16% over FY24RE.
- ☐ Planned outlay by public sector enterprises has increased 9% yoy.
- No increase in capex for core sectors over interim budget.
- ☐ Capex unchanged for Roads, Railways & Loans for capex to states.
- ☐ Bulk of increase over FY24RE is due to Recapitalization of BSNL, Research & innovation, etc.

Source: KIE report dated 24th July 2024, Note: IBER (Internal and external budgetary resources)



Capital expenditure



Source: KIE report dated 24th July 2024, Union Budget



kotak Securities Decent Increase in outlay

| | | | 2024RE | | | | | 2025BE | | | Capex growth |
|--|---------|---------|--------|---------|------------|---------|---------|--------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| | Revenue | Capital | IEBR | Bonds 7 | otal capex | Revenue | Capital | IEBR | Bonds 7 | Fotal capex | yoy (%) |
| Atomic Energy | 118 | 150 | 92 | 59 | 242 | 111 | 139 | 108 | 75 | 246 | 2 |
| Defense | 4,561 | 1,678 | - | - | 1,678 | 4,397 | 1,822 | - | - | 1,822 | 9 |
| Economic Affairs | 127 | 56 | - | _ | 56 | 95 | 741 | - | _ | 741 | 1,229 |
| Electronics and Information Technology | 140 | 4 | - | _ | 4 | 214 | 6 | - | _ | 6 | 42 |
| Food and Public Distribution | 2,217 | 2 | 230 | _ | 232 | 2,130 | 0 | 276 | _ | 277 | 19 |
| Housing and Urban Development | 427 | 265 | 168 | 50 | 433 | 539 | 286 | 425 | 100 | 711 | 64 |
| New and Renewable Energy | 78 | 0 | 214 | 64 | 214 | 128 | 0 | 307 | 123 | 307 | 44 |
| Petroleum and Natural Gas | 147 | 0 | 1,123 | 72 | 1,123 | 148 | 11 | 1,185 | 103 | 1,196 | 7 |
| Power | 175 | 1 | 591 | 152 | 592 | 194 | 11 | 667 | 178 | 678 | 14 |
| Railways | 33 | 2,400 | 200 | - | 2,600 | 34 | 2,520 | 130 | - | 2,650 | 2 |
| Road Transport and Highways | 118 | 2,645 | - | - | 2,645 | 58 | 2,722 | - | - | 2,722 | 3 |
| Telecommunications | 283 | 701 | 153 | 67 | 854 | 274 | 845 | 96 | 80 | 941 | 10 |
| Others | 26,978 | 1,600 | 492 | 17 | 2,091 | 28,772 | 2,008 | 492 | 17 | 2,500 | 20 |
| All ministries | 35,402 | 9,502 | 3,262 | 482 | 12,764 | 37,094 | 11,111 | 3,686 | 677 | 14,797 | 16 |

Source: Union Budget, KIE report dated 24th July 2024



- Modest changes in income tax and capital gains tax rates.
- Government reduced the tax incidence for low-income slabs.
- Government has increased capital gains tax on equities, reduced capital gains tax on bonds/debentures and removed benefits of indexation for real estate.
- We find the new capital gains tax structure for real estate favors investors, who have generated high IRRs, while investors with poor IRRs would be worse off in the new regime.
- The government increased the securities transaction tax (STT) on F&O.
- The government has modified the treatment of buybacks.



kotak Securities Changes in new tax regime

| | Tax structure (with exemption)-old regime | Tax structure(without | exemption)-new regime | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| | FY2024/FY2025 | FY2024 | FY2025 | | | |
| Individual tax rates | Up to Rs250,000 - Nil | Up to Rs300,000 - Nil | Up to Rs300,000 - Nil | | | |
| | Above Rs250,000 - Rs500,000 - 5% | Above Rs300,000 - Rs600,000 - 5% | Above Rs300,000 - Rs700,000 - 5% | | | |
| | Above Rs500,000 - Rs1,000,000 - 20% | Above Rs600,000 - Rs900,000 - 10% | Above Rs700,000 - Rs1,000,000 - 10% | | | |
| | Above Rs1,000,000 - 30% | Above Rs900,000 - Rs1,200,000 - 15% | Above Rs1,000,000 - Rs1,200,000 - 15% | | | |
| | | Above Rs1,200,000 - Rs1,500,000 - 20% | Above Rs1,200,000 - Rs1,500,000 - 20% | | | |
| | | Above Rs1,500,000 - 30% | Above Rs1,500,000 - 30% | | | |
| Sonior citizon (60 voars) | Exemption limit - Rs300,000 | Exemption limit - Rs300,000 | Exemption limit - Rs300,000 | | | |
| Senior citizen (60 years) | | | | | | |
| Very senior citizen (80 years+) | Exemption limit - Rs 500,000 | Exemption limit - Rs500,000 | Exemption limit - Rs500,000 | | | |
| Surcharge | 10% on income between Rs5 mn and Rs10 mn | 10% on income between Rs5 mn and Rs10 mn | 10% on income between Rs5 mn and Rs10 mn | | | |
| | 15% on income between Rs10 mn and Rs20 mn | 15% on income between Rs10 mn and Rs20 mn | 15% on income between Rs10 mn and Rs20 mn | | | |
| | 25% on income between Rs20 mn and Rs50 mn | 25% on income above Rs20 mn | 25% on income above Rs20 mn | | | |
| | 37% on income above Rs50 mn | | | | | |
| | 4% (health and education cess) | 4% (health and education cess) | 4% (health and education cess) | | | |

(a) Standard deduction has been increased to Rs/5,000 from Rs50,000.



kotak Securities Changes in capital gain tax

| | | Old | | New | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------------|----------|----------------|---------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| | Holding period | Tax rate | es (%) | Holding period | Tax rates (%) | | | | | |
| Asset | (months) | Short-term Long-term | | (months) | Short-term | Long-term | | | | |
| Listed equity shares/preference shares | 12 | 15 | 10 | 12 | 20 | 12.5 | | | | |
| Unlisted equity shares/preference shares | 24 | Marginal | 10 | 24 | Marginal | 12.5 | | | | |
| Listed bonds/debentures | 12 | Marginal | 20 | 12 | Marginal | 12.5 | | | | |
| Unlisted bonds/debentures | 36 | Marginal | Marginal | 24 | Marginal | Marginal | | | | |
| Units of equity-oriented mutual funds | 12 | 15 | 10 | 12 | 20 | 12.5 | | | | |
| Units of debt-oriented mutual funds | 36 | Marginal | Marginal | 24 | Marginal | Marginal | | | | |
| Immovable property | 36 | Marginal | 20 | 24 | Marginal | 12.5 | | | | |
| Gold | 36 | Marginal | 20 | 24 | Marginal | 12.5 | | | | |
| Bank deposit | NA | Marginal | Marginal | NA | Marginal | Marginal | | | | |

Notes:

- (a) The new rates are applicable from July 23, 2024.
- (b) Old regime had indexation benefits for certain asset classes.



kotak Securities STT rates on F&O segment

| Transaction | Old rates | New rates | Payable by |
|--|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| Sale of an option in securities | 0.0625 | 0.1000 | Seller |
| Sale of an option in securities where option is exercised | 0.1250 | 0.1250 | Purchaser |
| Sale of a future in securities | 0.0125 | 0.0200 | Seller |
| Delivery trades in equity shares on purchase and sale transactions | 0.1000 | 0.1000 | Purchaser/seller |

Notes:

(a) The new rates are applicable from October 1, 2024.



otak Securities Indirect Taxation

- Reduction in custom duty on gold and silver, from 15% to 6%.
- Three Cancer related drugs are fully exempt from custom duties while full BCD (Basic Customs Duty) is exempted on polythene and steel alloys used for manufacturing implants and artificial body parts.
- BCD and agriculture infrastructure development cess (AIDC) is reduced on precious metal imports such as platinum, palladium.
- Decline in customs duty on minerals such as lithium, copper and cobalt, which are critical for nuclear energy, renewable and other sectors.
- Increase in basic custom duty to 15% from 10% for PCBA for specified telecom equipment.



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- Reduction of BCD on shrimp and fish feed to 5% as well as inputs used in their manufacture; also, reduction in duty on import of brood stock for shrimp.
- Increase in BCD on ammonium nitrate from 7.5% to 10%.
- Steep increase in BCD on laboratory chemicals from 10% to 150%.
- Decline in basic custom duty to 15% from 20% for mobile chargers, Printed Circuit Board

Assembly (PCBA) of cellular mobile phone and cellular mobile phone.

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kotak Securities Major social welfare schemes

- Compared to the interim budget, the government has kept allocation in most schemes broadly unchanged.
- Increase in key rural sector schemes (Ex-food subsidy) is 9%.
- Government targeted key rural-focused schemes like agriculture & rural development.

Allocation in rural welfare schemes targeted toward rural housing, rural roads and irrigation

Exhibit 8: Major social welfare schemes in the interim budget, March fiscal year-ends, 2019-25BE (Rs bn) (sorted on descending order of FY2025BE)

| | | | | | | | | 2025BE/ |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|------------|
| | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024RE | 2025BE | 2024RE (%) |
| Food subsidy | 1,011 | 1,085 | 5,411 | 2,887 | 2,728 | 2,123 | 2,053 | (3) |
| Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Program (NREGS) | 618 | 730 | 1,112 | 985 | 908 | 860 | 860 | _ |
| National Rural Drinking Water Mission | 55 | 100 | 110 | 631 | 547 | 700 | 702 | _ |
| Income support scheme for farmers (PM-KISAN) | 200 | 487 | 610 | 668 | 583 | 600 | 600 | _ |
| Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) (Rural) | 254 | 250 | 403 | 900 | 450 | 320 | 545 | 70 |
| Interest subsidy for short term credit to farmers/Modified interest subvention scheme | 115 | 162 | 178 | 215 | 180 | 185 | 226 | 22 |
| Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0 | | | | 184 | 199 | 215 | 212 | (2) |
| Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) | 154 | 140 | 137 | 140 | 188 | 170 | 190 | 12 |
| National Rural Livelihood Mission | 63 | 98 | 100 | 102 | 115 | 141 | 150 | 6 |
| Crop insurance scheme | 119 | 126 | 142 | 135 | 103 | 150 | 146 | (3) |
| Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY) | 81 | 82 | 79 | 113 | 56 | 70 | 93 | 33 |
| Green revolution/ Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana | 118 | 99 | 97 | 67 | 52 | 62 | 76 | 23 |
| Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) | 129 | 82 | 49 | 31 | 49 | 70 | 72 | 3 |
| Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana | 22 | 33 | 27 | 93 | 75 | 19 | 22 | 16 |
| DBT-LPG | | 296 | 237 | 2 | 2 | 15 | 15 | 3 |
| Total | 2,940 | 3,770 | 8,691 | 7,153 | 6,235 | 5,700 | 5,961 | 5 |
| Total (ex-food subsidy) | 1,929 | 2,685 | 3,280 | 4,266 | 3,507 | 3,577 | 3,909 | 9 |

- (a) Food subsidy and PMAY also cover urban poor households.
- (b) Modified interest subvention scheme (MISS) for farmers has been introduced in lieu of interest subsidy scheme to farmers.
- (c) Green revolution has been subsumed under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana.



Interest Rates Path

- ☐ We expect bond yields to remain soft in FY25 led by:
 - (1) moderating domestic and global inflation,
 - (2) favorable demand-supply dynamics for domestic SLR securities.
- ☐ Global monetary policy cycle has started to turn with ECB rate cut in June 24.
- Market expects the US Fed to cut interest rates by 75 bps in H2CY24.
- DMs have seen sharp decline in inflation in recent months.
- ☐ We expect 50 bps of rate cut in FY25 (December 2024 and February 2025) and another 25-50 bps in FY26.
- ☐ We expect 10-year benchmark yield to be in range of 6.7-7.1% in rest of FY25.



kotak Securities Outlook and Valuation

- Macro-economic situation still reasonable.
- Indian market could see consolidation for a while with rich valuations.
- Rich valuations show plentiful optimism and no risks.
- We expect Nifty EPS of Rs 990 in FY24, Rs 1080 in FY25E and Rs 1243 in FY26E.
- □ Nifty-50 Index is trading 24.7 x FY24E, 22.7x FY25E and 19.7x FY26E.
- ☐ We find most sectors and stocks quite overvalued.



Sectoral Impact





Consumer Staples

- ☐ Reduction in custom duty on gold and silver, from 15% to 6%.
 - Inventory loss on gold metal loan but easing competitive pressure would help.
- ☐ Measures to facilitate employment, skilling, and other opportunities for 4.1 cr youth.
 - Positive for consumption sentiment and FMCG companies.
- ☐ Increased standard deduction by 50% to Rs75K and tweaked tax slabs
 - Positive for consumption sentiment and FMCG companies.
- ☐ Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan launched.
 - Positive for consumption sentiment and FMCG companies.



Pharmaceuticals

- ☐ Expenses incurred due to settlement of proceedings initiated in relation to a contravention would not eligible for tax deduction.
 - Minor negative for pharma companies.
- ☐ Three cancer drugs would be fully exempt from custom duties (10% earlier).
 - Positive for consumption sentiment and FMCG companies.
- ☐ Full basic custom duty exemption on polythene and steel alloys
 - Minor positive for hospitals.



Transportation

- ☐ Funds to be provided for essential infrastructure such as water, power, railways and roads.
 - Positive for Adani Ports' assets in Gangavaram and Chennai/Ennore ports
- ☐ Extends the period for exporting goods imported for repairs from six months to one year.
 - Positive for GMR Airports.



kotak Securities Automobiles & Components

- ☐ FAME India incentive stood unchanged at Rs2,670 cr in FY25BE when compared to interim budget.
 - Awaiting the modalities of FAME III scheme.
- ☐ Revised income tax slabs and increased standard deduction limit for personal income in new tax regime to result in lower income tax payouts.
 - Maximum tax savings of Rs17.5k; can aid in improvement in demand for entrylevel vehicles.
- ☐ Reduced basic customs duty (BCD) and agriculture infrastructure development cess (AIDC) on precious metal imports such as platinum, palladium.
 - Precious metal content in ICE vehicles vary from 1-2% across; will result in cost benefits for OEMs
- ☐ Capital expenditure outlay has been pegged at Rs11.1 lakh cr, which is 3.4% of the GDP.
 - Likely to support the growth of CV segment demand.



Building Products

- ☐ Gol has announced 3 cr additional houses under PMAY (urban and rural).
- □ PMAY (U) FY25 budget raised to Rs30,200 cr (from Rs26200 cr in FY25 interim budget and Rs22,100 cr in FY24RE.
- □ PMAY (R) FY25 budget raised to Rs54,500 cr (from Rs32,000 cr in FY24RE though unchanged versus FY25 interim budget).
- ☐ An increase in target for number of homes under PMAY in addition to higher allocation to both PMAY (U) and PMAY (G) bodes well for the building products demand.



kotak Securities Construction Materials

- ☐ Provision of Rs15,000 cr for Andhra Pradesh.
 - Positive for cement producers such as KCP, Sagar Cement, NCL Industries, Ramco, Deccan, Dalmia.
- ☐ Governmental support of Rs26,000 cr for road connectivity projects in Bihar.
 - Positive for cement producers such as Shree Cement, Nuvoco, Dalmia.
- ☐ Capital outlay on housing schemes such as PMAY (Urban+Rural) at Rs84,700 cr in FY25BE (56% higher vs FY24RE and 15% higher vs FY23).
 - Capital outlay in these schemes should support cement demand in FY25.

kotak Securities Consumer Durables

- ☐ Under PMAY 2.0, housing needs of ~1 cr urban poor, middle class families will be addressed; provision of interest subsidy to facilitate loans at affordable rate.
- □ PMAY (U) FY25 budget raised to Rs30,200 cr (from Rs26,200 cr in FY25 interim budget).
 - Positive for manufacturers of wires and electrical appliances.
- No major change in capex for key ministries such as railways, roads ,defense.
 - Negative for cables and wires manufacturers, as there was some expectation of upward revision from interim budget numbers.



Metals & Mining

- ☐ Removal of Basic Customs Duty (BCD) on ferro nickel from 2.5% earlier.
 - Marginally positive for stainless steel producers such as Jindal Stainless, who can diversify nickel sourcing from non-FTA nations.
- □ BCD has been reduced to Nil on copper ore/concentrate from 5% earlier.
 - Positive for Hindalco since its imports concentrate for its copper refinery.
- Custom duty (including cess) on silver reduced to 6% from 15%.
 - Hindustan Zinc (HZ), which sells all its silver in domestic markets, will be impacted due to ~8% lower domestic silver prices. Estimated EBITDA impact to be ~Rs500 cr (~2% of HZ EBITDA FY2026E).



Internet Software & Services

- □ TDS rate on e-commerce operators is proposed to be reduced from 1% to 0.1%. Moreover, credit of TCS is proposed to be given in the TDS to be deducted on salary.
 - Sellers on e-commerce portals to benefit with easing working capital requirements.
- ☐ Withdrawal of 2% equalization levy on consideration received or receivable for e-commerce supply or services, on or after August 1, 2024.
 - Positive for foreign digital companies such as Amazon, Flipkart.

Electric Utilities

- ☐ MNRE increased to Rs18,800 cr from Rs7,600 cr with Rs10,000 cr for solar energy.
 - Increased focus on solar generation & limited allocation in wind.
- □ Slightly higher focus on nuclear energy; Allocation of Rs2,200 cr vs Rs1,790 cr.
 - Better focus would lead to nuclear capacity addition.
- □ NTPC and BHEL to set up JV for 800 MW Advance ultra critical thermal plant.
 - More efficient and less polluting thermal plant.
- ☐ Policy for promoting pumped storage projects to be put in place.
 - Initial steps to set up energy storage, Little immediate impact.

Electronic Manufacturing Services

- □ Decline in BCD to 15% from 20% for mobile chargers and PCBA of mobile phone.
 - Slight negative for the likes of Dixon, which assemble PCBA and mobiles.
- ☐ Increase in BCD to 15% from 10% for PCBA for specified telecom equipment.
 - Potential positive for Dixon/Syrma.
- ☐ Outlay towards mobile PLI & IT PLI remains unchanged at Rs6,200 cr over interim.
 - In line with increased production expected in FY25 for mobiles and others.
- ☐ Unchanged outlay of Rs4,200 cr toward OSAT under Semiconductor PLI.
 - Expected to be given to likes of Kaynes and Micron as they ramp up capex.



Real Estate

- □ Rationalization of long-term capital gains tax on real estate; indexation benefit removed; tax rate reduced to 12.5% from 20% with immediate effect.
 - End-users: Limited impact on buyers; Investors: Worse off under the new regime if lower price appreciation and shorter holding period, and vice versa.
- ☐ Government will encourage states to lower the stamp duty.
 - To reduce the overall acquisition cost in high stamp duty states.
- ☐ Rs 10 lakh cr allocation for urban housing.
 - This would further government's housing for all initiative.



Fertilizers, Agriculture & Specialty Chemicals

- ☐ Fertilizer subsidy maintained at Rs1.64 lakh cr for FY25BE.
 - Neutral for fertilizer industry.
- □ Reduction of BCD on shrimp and fish feed to 5%; reduction in duty on import of brood stock for shrimp.
 - Positive for aqua feed companies such as Godrej Agrovet.
- ☐ Increase in BCD on ammonium nitrate from 7.5% to 10%.
 - Positive for Deepak Fertilisers.
- ☐ Steep increase in BCD on laboratory chemicals from 10% to 150%.
 - Positive for lab chemical manufacturers in India, but these are mostly unlisted companies.



Banks/Diversified Financials/Insurance

- Import duty on gold decreased to 6% from 15% earlier
 - Lower duties will lower INR gold price leading to lower loan growth and reduce margin of safety (LTV) on existing loans. As such, this change is negative for gold loan NBFCs.
- □ Rs4,000 cr allocated for credit-linked subsidy scheme under PMAY-U up from Rs0 in FY24 (Rs10,800 cr in FY23)
 - Allocation is lower than expectations but can be revised upward later. Affordable housing focused HFCs with higher share of urban salaried borrowers are likely to benefit.
- Qualifier attached on expenses that are admissible for calculation of tax for life insurers
 - This effectively omits overriding commissions paid by life insurers from allowable expenses. IRDA removed commission caps in FY23 and issue is less relevant now.

Banks/Diversified Financials/Insurance

- ☐ Changed the definition of 'special mutual fund' under section 50AA to include funds, which hold more than 65% of AUM in debt and money market instruments.
 - Category of funds that invest <35% in equities such as gold ETFs, silver ETFs, select FoFs will see LTCG reduce to 12.5% (if held for >2 years) from marginal tax rate.
- Increase in STCG and LTCG on equity and equity-oriented mutual funds.
 - Higher tax burden on investors
- Realignment of LTCG across asset classes.
 - Debt mutual funds are taxed at marginal tax rate compared to 12.5% for other assets, making the product unattractive.
- □ Increase in STT on sale of an option to 0.1% (from 0.0625%) of the option premium, and on sale of a futures to 0.02% (from 0.0125%) of the price.
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