# Budget Primer PUNJAB

2024-25





# A KALEIDOSCOPIC VIEW OF Punjab's budget

Positive strides in capital expenditure growth and fiscal deficit reduction contrast with a concerning rise in debt and dwindling non-repayable funds. The state's dependence on its own tax revenues offers autonomy yet risks instability from local economic fluctuations. Although increased central tax contributions help, they may not fully counteract the challenges of reduced grants and high debt levels. Achieving long-term fiscal stability for Punjab will require improving revenue collection, prioritising high-yield investments, and implementing a strong debt management plan to lower the debt-toreceipt ratio.

### Overview

### Receipts

**Own Tax Revenue Dominance** Own Tax Revenue constitutes 56% of total revenue

Central Tax Share Surge Central Tax contribution up by 10%

**Declining Grant-in-Aid** Decrease from 2022-23 to 2023-24: 20.34% Further drop from 2023-24 to 2024-25: 33%

Capital Receipts Downturn Reduction of 10.43% since 2022-23

Outstanding debt **59.09%** 

more than total receipts

# Total budget: Rs **2,04,918 cr**

### Fiscal Health

**Fiscal Deficit Improvement** Reduced from 4.12% to 3.80% over the last year

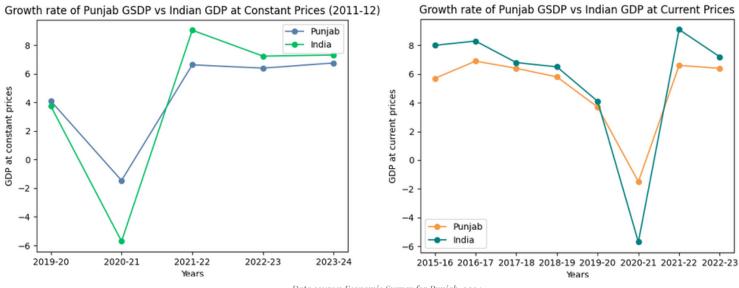
**Rising Debt** Outstanding debt up slightly from 43,88% to 44,05%

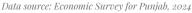
### Expenditure

Stagnant Revenue Expenditure Revenue Expenditure largely unchanged

**Increasing Capex** Capital Expenditure increased by 16.21%

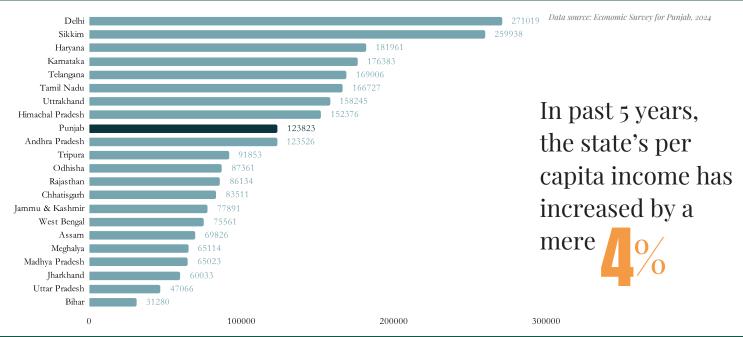
### Punjab has grown slowly in comparison to national average





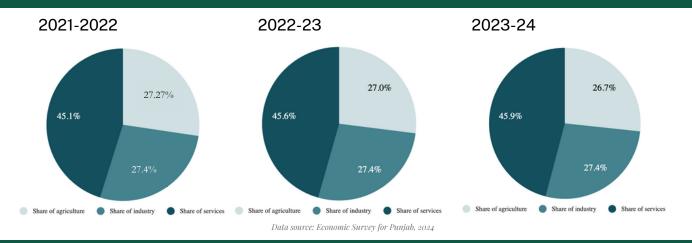


# Punjab's per capita income does not fair well in comparison to other states

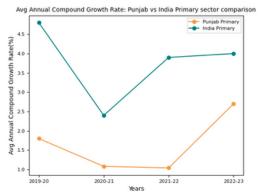


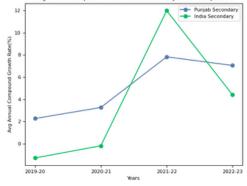
## Share of industry to the nominal GSDP has stagnated in the past

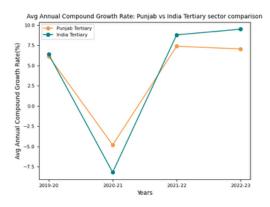
#### 3 years



# Punjab's sectoral-growth has faired poorly in comparison to national average, over the past 5 years

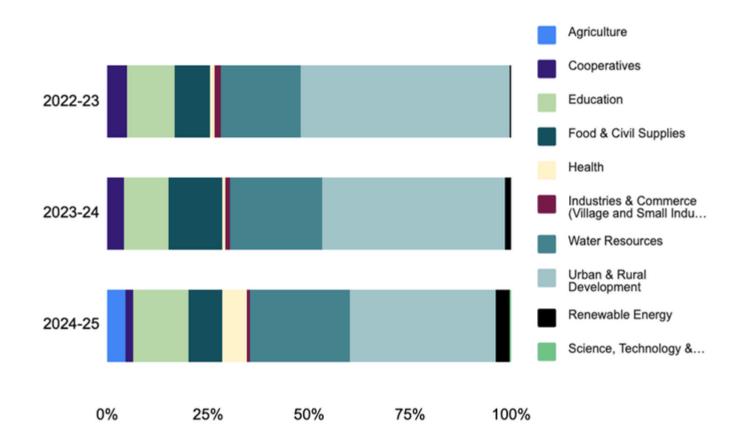




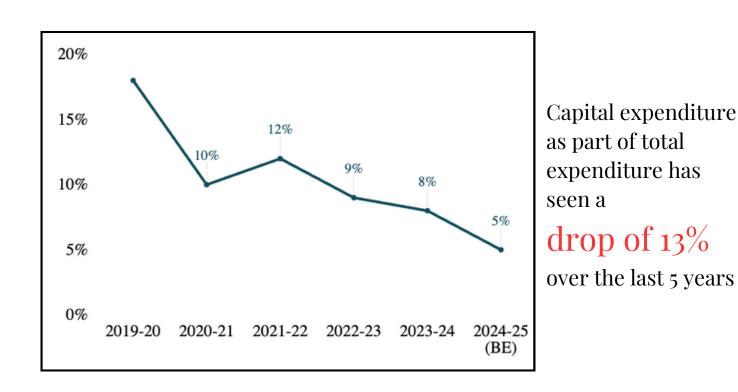




### Total Capital Outlay for key sectors over the last 3 budgets



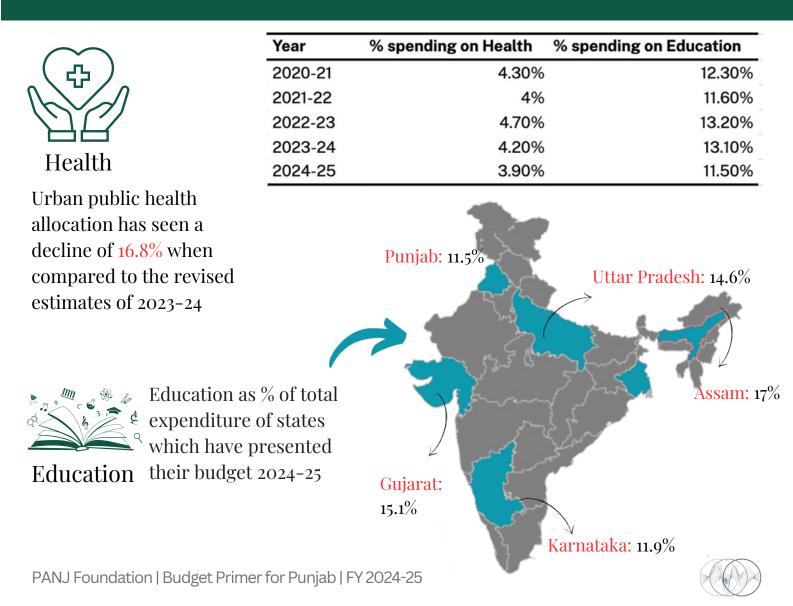
An increase in capital expenditure for agriculture and renewable energy was noticed in this year's budget



### % share of allocation to key sectors of Punjab's economy

	Social welfare	Science & Tech	Rural Development	•	Agriculture & allied	Transport
2022-23	65%	1%	9%	2%	9%	5%
2023-24	65%	1%	8%	2%	8%	7%
2024-25	70%	1%	7%	1%	7%	6%

#### In view: Government spending over the past half-decade



#### Agriculture

- Mission Unnat Kisaan: For Cotton crops
- PHASE (Punjab Horticulture Advancement and Sustainable Entreprenuership)
- Project related to Horticulture in assistance with SIDBI

### Education

- Mission Samrath: Skills to Primary and Upper Primary Students
- School of Applied Learning: High tech vocational labs
- School of Eminence funding reduced by 100 Cr
- Punjab Young Entrepreneurship Program funding reduced by >50%

### Food supplies 😱

Ghar Ghar Muft Ration - New Initiative. Allocated budget Rs 250 cr

Employment Generation and Training

Punjab Hunar Vikas Yojana Launched

### Renewable energy

65 cr allocated for solarisation of Agricultural Pumps

### Water Supply and resources

- © Increased spending to strengthen Canal System
- New Malwa Canal Project covering 1,78,000 Acres

### Gender budget: 2nd time in a row

AIM ensuring parity and more attention to the welfare of women.



increase in budget allocation from the last financial year



decrease in 100% women specific schemes, including maternity benefit programme, mission for empowerment and protection of women





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