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Governance and Fiscal Management: The Philippine Context

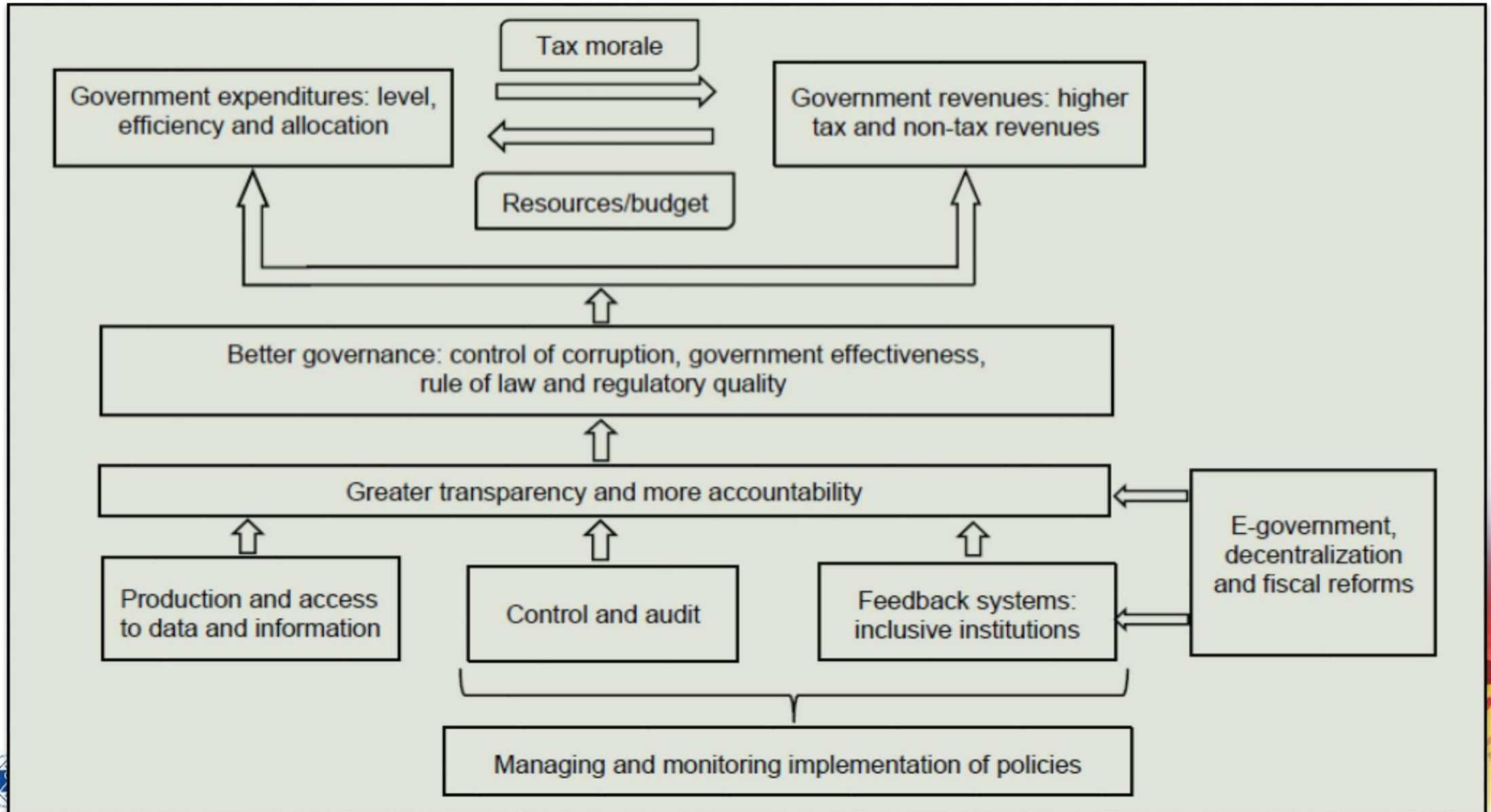
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“Good governance, that is, having a government that is able to make and enforce rules and to deliver services efficiently and effectively, is critical to achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.”

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SURVEY OF ASIA AND THE PACIFIC 2017

Survey 2017: Analytical Framework of improving governance for better fiscal management



GOOD GOVERNANCE REFORMS THAT HAVE CONTRIBUTED IN THE PHILIPPINES' ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (2010-2016)



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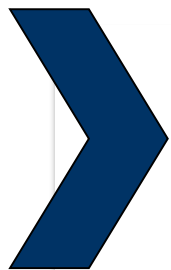


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Local Government Units (LGUs) garnered 74 percent compliance with respect to **public financial management (PFM) standards** in the 1st quarter of 2016, surpassing the End-Of-Plan target of 65 percent.



Incentive-based initiatives, such as the **Seal of Good Local Governance** and the **Performance Challenge Fund**, proved very effective in positively influencing the performance of LGUs



Citizen feedback on the kind and quality of services rendered by the city and municipal governments were gathered through the **Citizens' Satisfaction Index System** in 163 LGUs, exceeding the target of 153.



SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

- ***GOCC Governance Act of 2011*** – aims to curb excesses in the sector and to ensure that GOCCs are managed in a transparent, responsible, and accountable manner; and with the utmost degree of professionalism and effectiveness
- ***Ex Parte Application of Court Order*** – grants the Anti-Money Laundering Council authority to undertake ex parte inquiry into suspicious financial transactions after securing court approval without the need to inform the suspects

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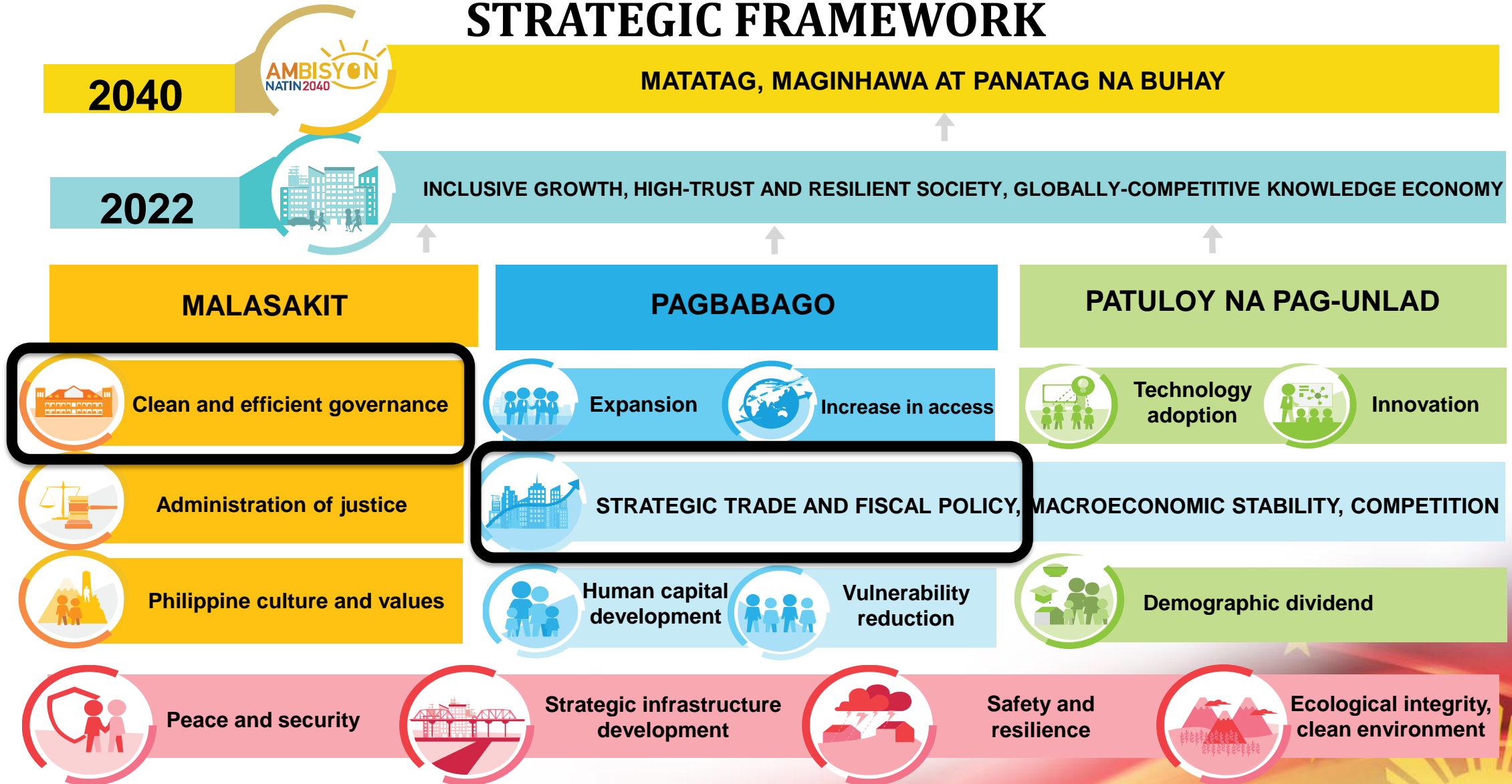
- ***Amended the Anti-Money Laundering Act***– includes the list of covered institutions and transactions
- ***Terrorist Financing Suspension Act of 2012*** – defines the crime of terrorism financing

PHILIPPINES' STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE GOVERNANCE FOR BETTER FISCAL MANAGEMENT



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PHILIPPINE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2017-2022 OVERALL STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK



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PEOPLE-CENTERED, CLEAN, EFFICIENT, AND EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE ENSURED



Corruption reduced

- ✓ Promote public awareness on anti-corruption drives
- ✓ Implement prevention measures
- ✓ Strengthen deterrence mechanisms



Seamless service delivery achieved

- ✓ Adopt a whole-of-government approach in delivery of key services
- ✓ Implement regulatory reforms
- ✓ Improve productivity of the public sector



Administrative governance enhanced

- ✓ Rightsize the bureaucracy
- ✓ Strengthen results-based performance management, public financial management, and accountability



Citizenry fully engaged and empowered

- ✓ Promote participatory governance
- ✓ Ensure public access to information
- ✓ Institutionalize response and feedback mechanisms
- ✓ Implement electoral reforms



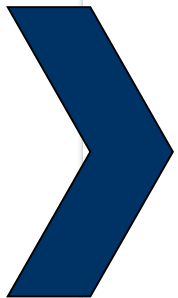
Civil service strengthened

- ✓ Promote shared public service values
- ✓ Improve human resource management systems and processes
- ✓ Develop and invest in human resource

Governance strategies to improve fiscal management



Sustain existing participatory governance initiatives such as the Citizen Participatory Audit



Enhance the income and asset declaration system of public officials by improving the system of filing and analyzing Statements of Assets, Liabilities, and Net Worth (SALN)

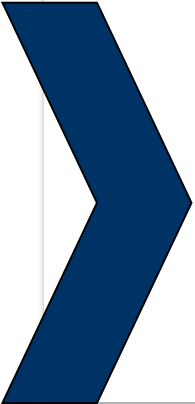


Complete the Budget and Treasury Management System and the Single Treasury Account

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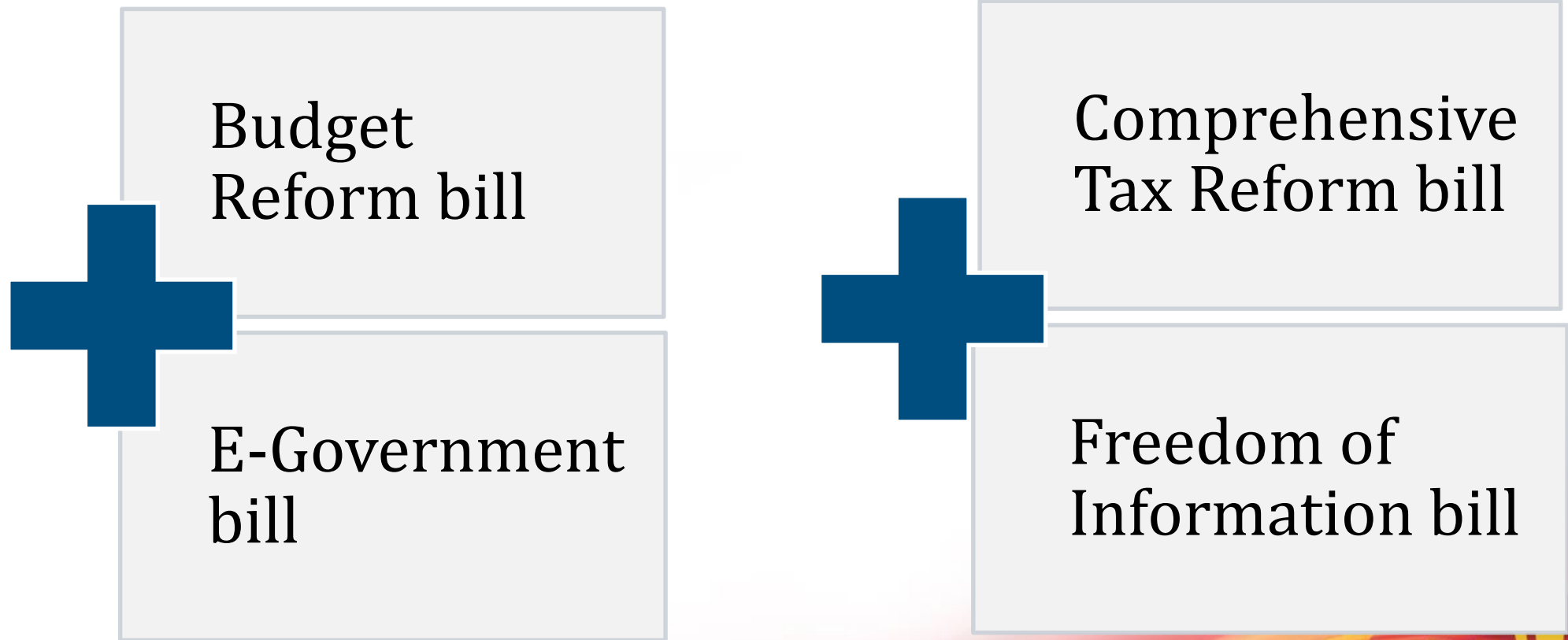
Intensify LGU fiscal monitoring and performance evaluation through standardized reporting tools and metrics



Formulate and implement expenditure management reforms that will improve government agency budget utilization and address underspending (i.e. streamlining the release of funds, development of integrated and user-friendly financial management systems)

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Legislative Measures:





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