### 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Heads of SGATAR Training Institutions

Identifying and building the future capability requirements to address challenging taxation administration issues



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### Tax System of Hong Kong

- > Simple and low tax rates
- > Territorial basis
  - Only income or profits arising in or derived from Hong Kong are chargeable
- > Direct taxes
  - Profits tax business profits
  - Salaries tax employment income
  - Property tax property rental income



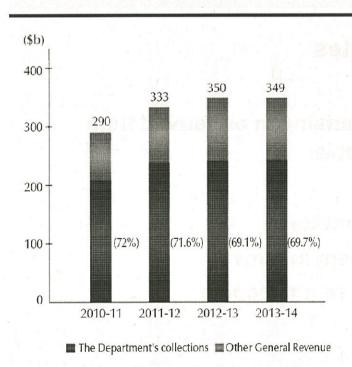
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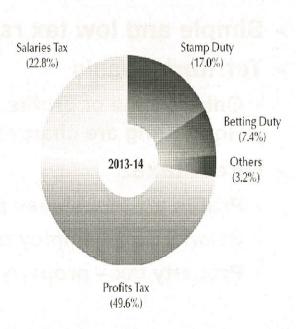
- No withholding tax on interest income and dividend
- > No tax on
  - General consumption
  - Capital gains
  - Estate



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### Tax collection





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# Taxation administration issues that require the development of new or different capabilities

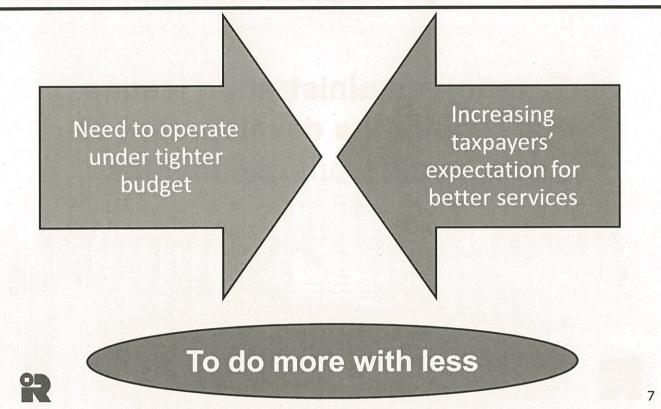


# Meet taxpayers' increasing demand with reduced budget

- Concern about the long term fiscal sustainability
  - population is ageing fast
  - government revenue is narrow-based and volatile
- Need to contain the growth in public expenditure and maximise administrative efficiency



# Meet taxpayers' increasing demand with reduced budget



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Need to Work Smarter Improve the cost-effectiveness of operation but at the same time ensure that the quality of service is not compromised



# Challenges brought about by globalisation

More opportunities for international tax planning

Restructure
business, relocate
intangible assets
and operations to
low tax
jurisdictions

Digital
technologies goods and
services supplied
to customers from
remote locations

MNEs claim that their profits were not sourced in Hong Kong



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# Challenges brought about by globalisation

Transfer pricing arrangements

Arrange transactions with connected non-resident persons not on an arm's length basis

Manipulate the amount of taxable profits



# Challenges brought about by globalisation

Commercial activities become more complicated and globalised

More difficult to obtain full information and documents to ascertain the relevant facts

Increased difficulties in ascertaining the source of profits



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# Challenges brought about by globalisation

International transactions involve a number of parties in different geographical locations which are not governed by our information seeking powers

Loss of audit trail



### Challenges brought about by e-Commerce

Business carried out through the Internet

Non-existence of geographical boundaries

Business can be conducted without creating a permanent establishment

Blurs the distinctions between the sale of goods, the provision of services and the licensing of intangible assets



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### Challenges brought about by e-Commerce

Multijurisdictional
nature of the
transactions
and
anonymity of
the parties

Difficult to ascertain the identity of the persons who carried on business, the location in which the transactions took place

Cannot readily identify the legal person for tax compliance purposes

Tax evasion schemes
Business transactions are shown to originate in
low tax jurisdictions



### Development in international taxation

Ability to handle International taxation issues and resolve disputes

- Familiarise with international standards
- Learn how to interpret the articles in tax treaties
- Resolve disputes over double taxation through Mutual Agreement Procedure
- Tackle cases involving transfer pricing and applications for Advance Pricing Arrangements



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### Development in international taxation

Ability to handle International taxation issues and resolve disputes

- Ascertain the tax residency of taxpayers
- Deal with requests for issue of Certificate of Resident Status
- Handle Eol requests



### Development in international taxation

Increasing aspirations in the international community to strengthen cross-jurisdictional collaboration and enhance tax transparency

Base Erosion and Profit Shifting project

Automatic exchange of information requirement



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### Development in international taxation

Increasing aspirations in the international community to strengthen cross-jurisdictional collaboration and enhance tax transparency

Need more resources to expand treaty network and fulfil obligations

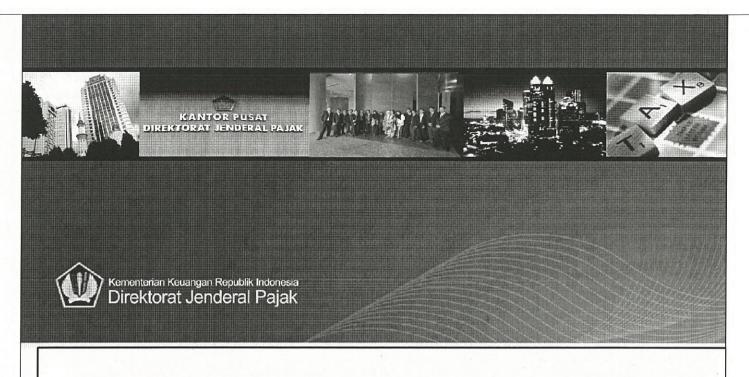
Update tax legislation to conform to the new requirements of international standards



### **Thank You**



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#### TAX ADMINISTRATION ISSUES IN INDONESIA

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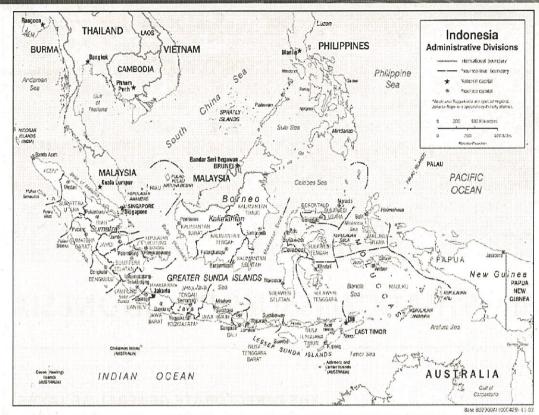
### OUTLINE



**DGT Operational Units** 

Tax Administration Issues

### INDONESIA

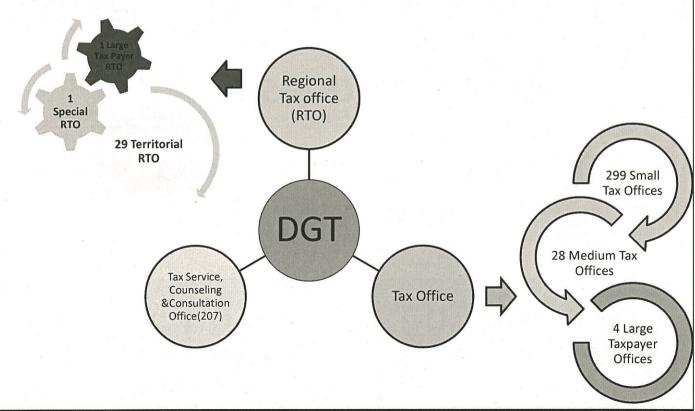


Area (skms)	1,919,440
Islands	13.466
Population (est.2014)	253.603.649
Provinces	34
GDP (in billion 2013)	Rp 9.083.972,20
Growth GDP	5%-6%



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### **DGT OPERATIONAL UNITS**



#### TAX ADMINISTRATION ISSUES



- Declining Tax Ratio
- Management of Taxrelated Data



- International Transaction Exposure
- Sophisticated Tax Avoidance/Evasion
- 3. Transfer Pricing

Capabilities Development

- 1. Enhanced Workforce Capabilities
- 2. New Institutional Capabilities



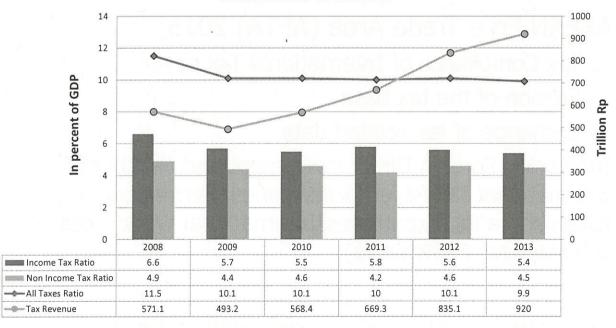
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#### TAX ADMINISTRATION ISSUES

#### Tax revenue increasing nominally, but decreasing in percent of GDP

**Tax Revenue 2008-2013** 

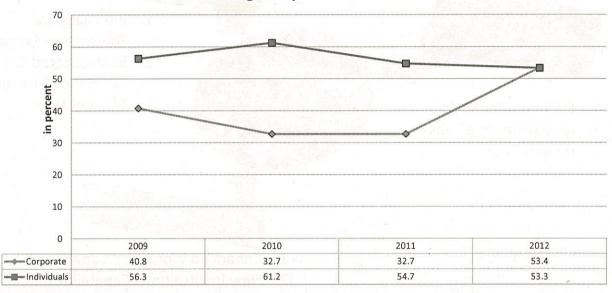


#### TAX ADMINISTRATION ISSUE

#### Low Compliance of Filing Tax Return

- Far Below National Target of Filing Compliance which is 70% averagely
- · Indication of Low Payment and Reporting Compliance

#### **Filing Compliance Ratio**



Source: DGT Annual Report



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#### TAX ADMINISTRATION ISSUE

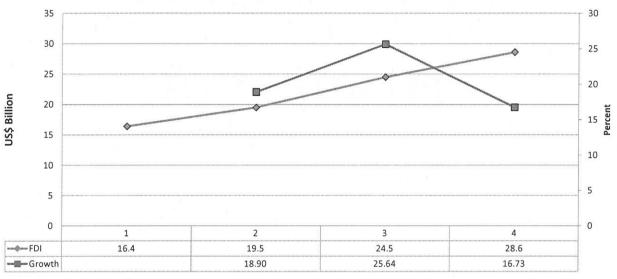
#### **INTERNATIONAL ISSUES**

- ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA) 2015
  - Tax Compliance of International Tax payer
  - Erosion of the tax base
  - Exchange of tax related data
- Increasing Foreign Direct investment and Number of International Tax Payer (Subsidiaries, Permanent Establishments, Expatriates/International Workforces, International Franchisors)

#### TAX ADMINISTRATION ISSUE

#### **Exposure of International Transaction: Increasing FDI**





Source:

The Investment Coordinating Board RI, Press release Q4 2013



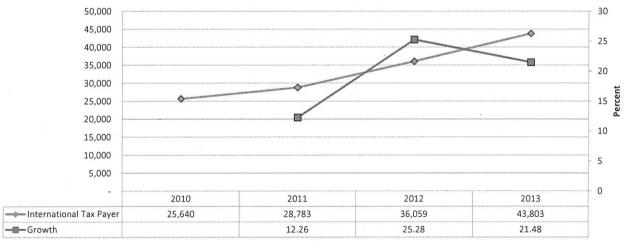
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#### TAX ADMINISTRATION ISSUE

#### **Exposure of International Transaction: Increasing International Taxpayers**

#### **International Taxpayer 2010-2013**



#### Note:

- 1. Included Permanent Establishment, Expatriates, and Subsidiaries established in Indonesia
- 2. Excluded: Oil and Gas Companies, Foreign Owned Companies Listed in Indonesia Stock Exchange, and Foreign Owned Companies Registered in Large Taxpayer Tax Offices

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