

Indonesia Public Expenditure Review

2020













# Spending for Better Results



# Public expenditure is key to achieving Indonesia's development goals

The World Bank worked with the Ministry of Finance on a Public Expenditure Review for Indonesia.

The Review identifies constraints and makes recommendations to improve the quality of spending to close gaps in human capital and infrastructure

### The report addresses the following questions:

#### Sustainability & adequacy

Is the level of Indonesia's public spending sustainable and adequate to address Indonesia's development challenges, both on aggregate and within sectors?

### Efficiency

Have public resources been used efficiently in delivering public services? What are key instruments for the Government of Indonesia to improve the quality of spending?

#### Effectiveness

Have public resources been used effectively to achieve Indonesia's development objectives?







## Navigating the Report

#### PART 1 Overview & Institutional environment

- Overview: aggregate spending, sustainability, efficiency and effectiveness
- 2 PFM: Improving expenditure management for better quality of spending
- Reforming the intergovernmental fiscal transfer system for better services
- Data for better policy making

PART 2 Human Capital

HUMAN CAPITAL			INFRASTRUCTURE			
5 Health	6 Education	Social assistance	9 National roads	10 Housing	Water resources	Water supply & sanitation
8 Nutrition						

PART 3 Infrastructure

Over the past two decades Indonesia's development trajectory has been remarkable with many notable achievements

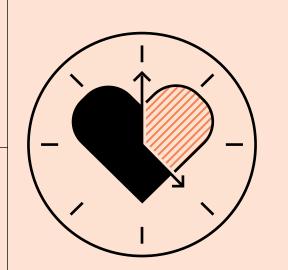




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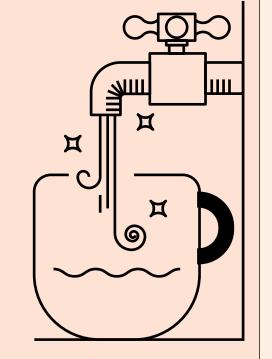
5.3% annually between 2000 and 2018...

#### 4 Improved human capital outcomes



...with increased life expectancy and reduced under-five mortality

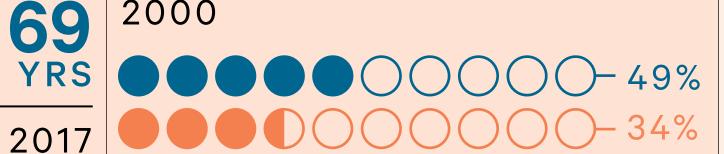
#### 5 ...better access to infrastructure services



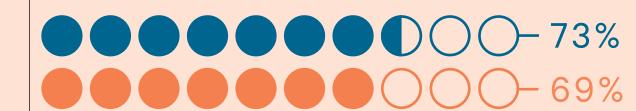
...with an increase in households' access to improved drinking water and sanitation services

- Drinking water
- Sanitation Service

2000



2018



#### 2 GNI per Capita



...leading gross national income (GNI) per capita to grow more than six fold...

2000	US\$580

**US**\$3,840 2018

#### 3 Poverty Rates

...and poverty rates to decline fast

2000	19%

9.4% **MARCH** 2019

66

YRS

2000

Per 1,000 live births

**25** 2000 2017

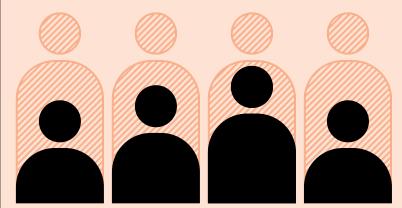


But many development challenges remain: Indonesia still faces large human capital and infrastructure gaps

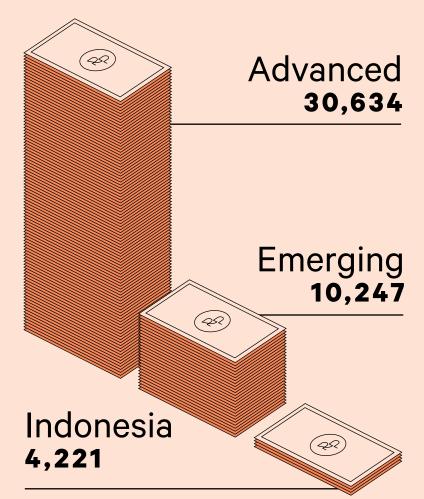
#### 1 Human Capital Gaps

**53**%

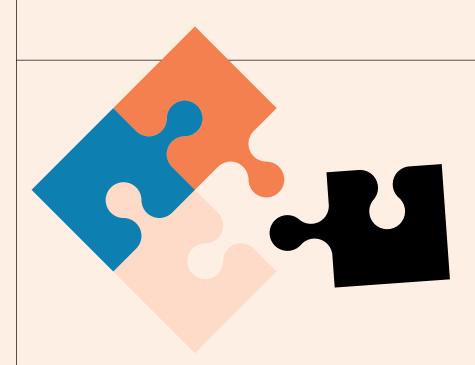
A child born in Indonesia today will only be 53 percent as productive when she grows up as she could be if she enjoyed complete education and full health



#### 3 Infrastructure Gaps



Indonesia's per capita public capital stock is only a third of other emerging economies, implying an estimated gap in infrastructure assets of around US\$1.6 trillion, affecting long-term growth

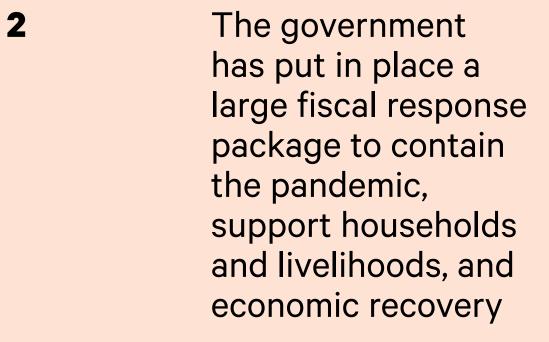




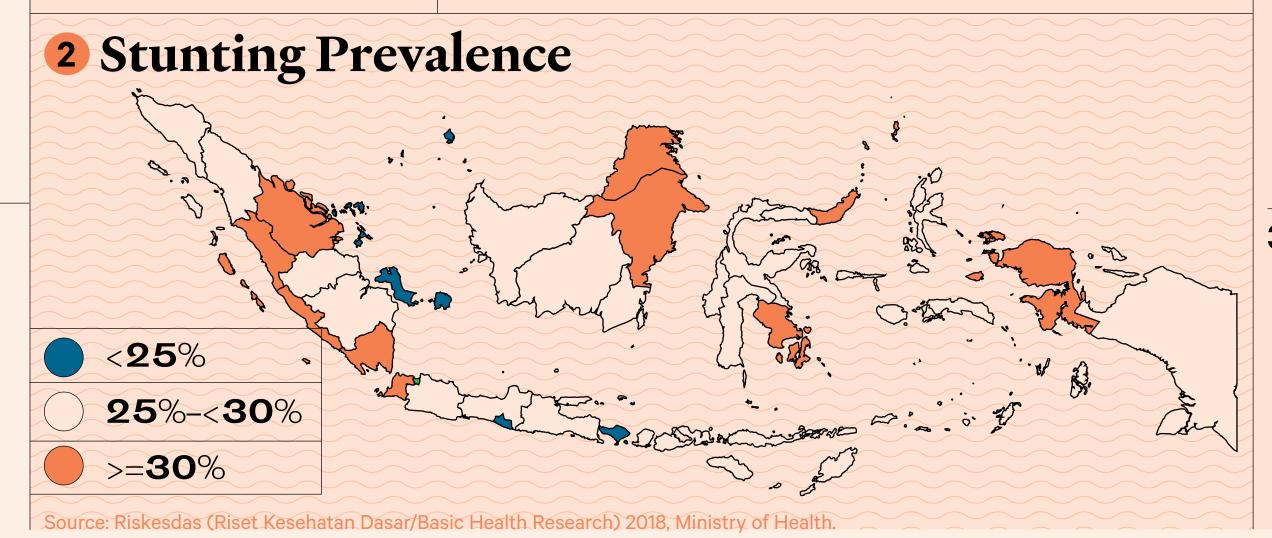
#### 4 COVID-19 Impact

The ongoing COVID-19
Pandemic in 2020
puts these gains in
development outcomes at
risk.





The resulting decline in fiscal revenue and higher debt and interest payments will reduce fiscal space for priority spending on health, social assistance and infrastructure





The review identifies the following constraints to improve the quality of spending to close gaps in human capital and infrastructure:



2 Systemic constraints across sectors that impede the efforts to improve the quality of spending

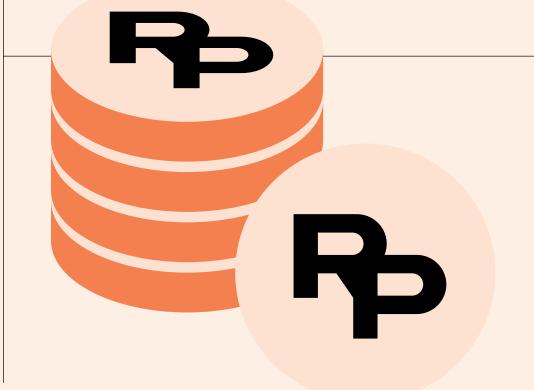
Lack consistency between planning and budgeting and performance orientation of the budget

Coordination challenges across agencies and between levels of government

Fiscal transfers to SNGs do not incentivize performance

Inadequate data and information systems

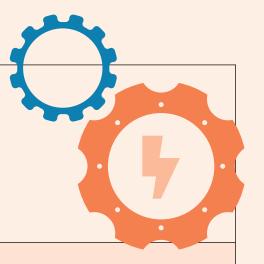
Constraints to private sector participation



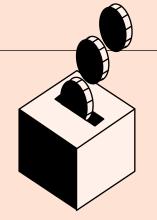
3 Sector specific constraints in the design and implementation of major sectoral programs



# To improve the effectiveness and efficiency of spending, the report makes the following recommendations:



Maintain and widen fiscal space for development spending, through constraints to quality of spending.



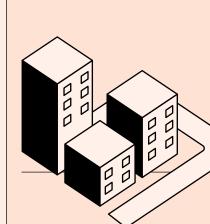
 Collect more revenue to spend more on health, education, social assistance and infrastructure



Target spending only for the poor



Spend more on early and preventive health and education programs – it is better and cheaper than doing it later



 Spend more on infrastructure maintenance today – so there will be less costly rebuilding tomorrow

 Give fast-growing cities more money - to make more of them more livable and less congested 2 Address cross-cutting or systemic



 Ensure the budget helps achieve national development priorities better and focuses on quality, not only quantity



 Collect better data on results and delivery of development priorities to improve budget performance



 Focus fiscal transfers to local governments on outputs and performance



 Central and local governments work better together to deliver infrastructure and health services



 Attract more private sector finance to close the infrastructure gap because the budget is not big enough

Address sector specific constraints to efficient and effective spending by improving design and implementation of major sectoral programs



The Indonesia Public Expenditure Review is available for download in English and Bahasa Indonesia at www.worldbank.org/idper