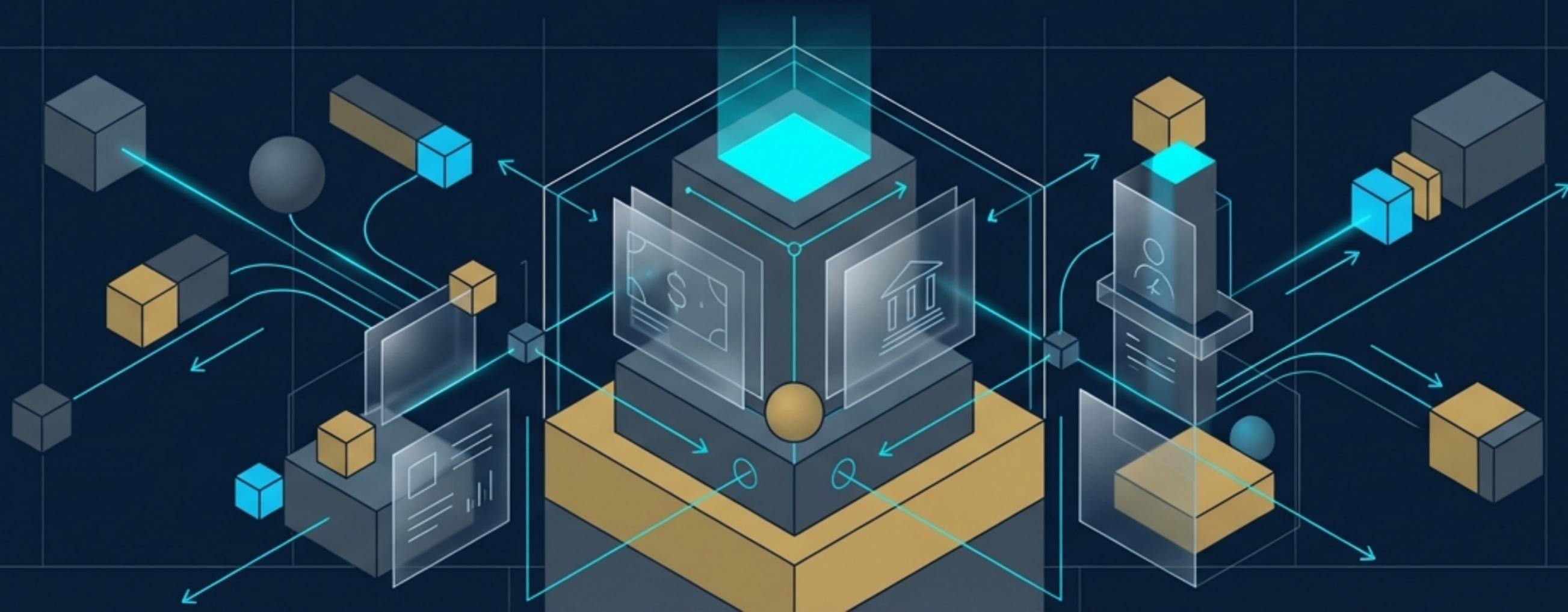


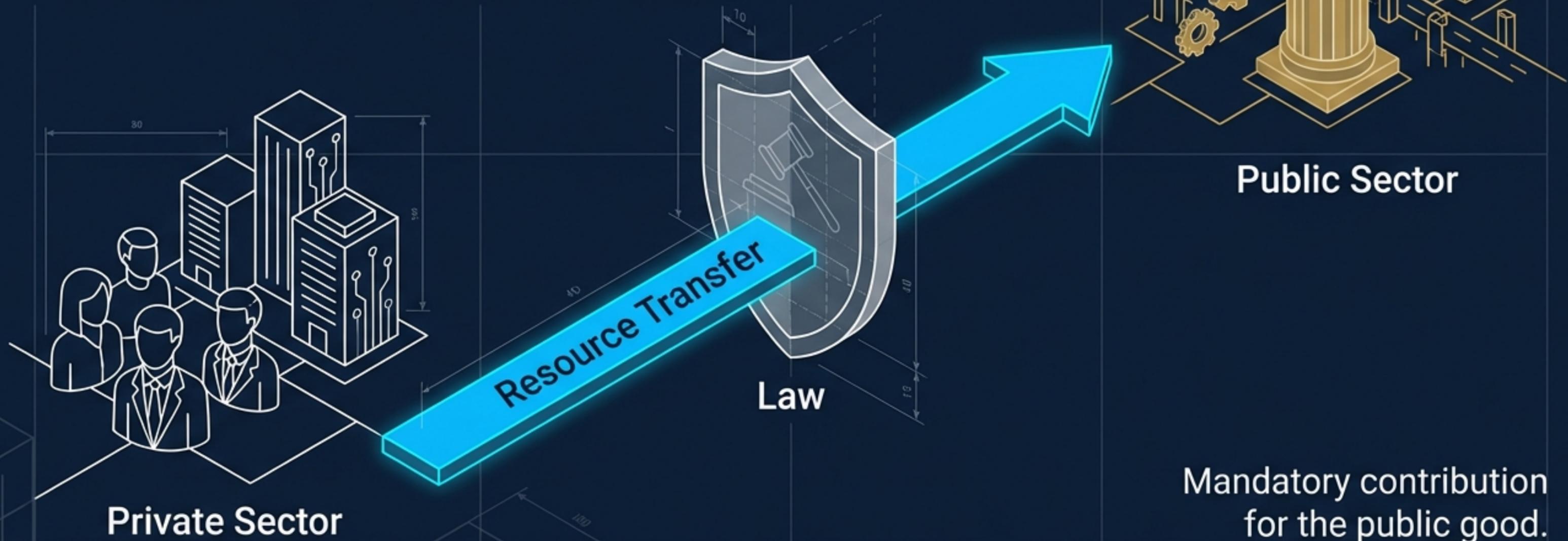
Fundamentals of Taxation

Principles, Structures, and Policy Design



The Definition of Taxation

The enforced collection of financial resources by the government through legislation.



Objectives: Revenue & Regulation

1. Generating Revenue



Funding government affairs to ensure population well-being.

- Education
- Public Health
- Utilities
- Security
- Infrastructure

2. Control & Promotion



Using tax policy to steer social and economic behavior.

- Control: Discouraging harmful consumption (e.g., Sin taxes, Luxury duties).
- Promotion: Incentivizing specific sectors for public benefit.

Objectives: Stability, Equity, & Development

Redistribution



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Creating social fairness by distributing income and assets (e.g., rural development subsidies).

Economic Stability



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Combating Inflation: Increasing tax to reduce spending.
Combating Recession: Decreasing tax to stimulate investment.

Economic Development



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Attracting foreign investment and boosting domestic employment through strategic rate reductions.

Design Principles: Fairness & Clarity

The User Experience of Taxation



Design Principles: Efficiency & Adaptability

System Performance Metrics



Effectiveness

High voluntary compliance and low cost of collection.



Neutrality

Minimizing distortion of business decisions, production, and exports.



Productivity

Broad tax base ensuring maximum participation.



Flexibility

Ability to adjust burden in response to economic shifts.

Structural Components of Taxation

$$\text{TAXPAYER} + \text{BASE} \times \text{RATE} = \text{LIABILITY}$$

The Taxpayer



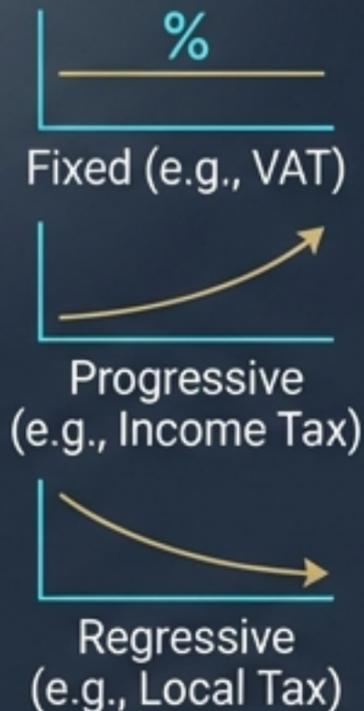
Individuals or Corporations

The Tax Base

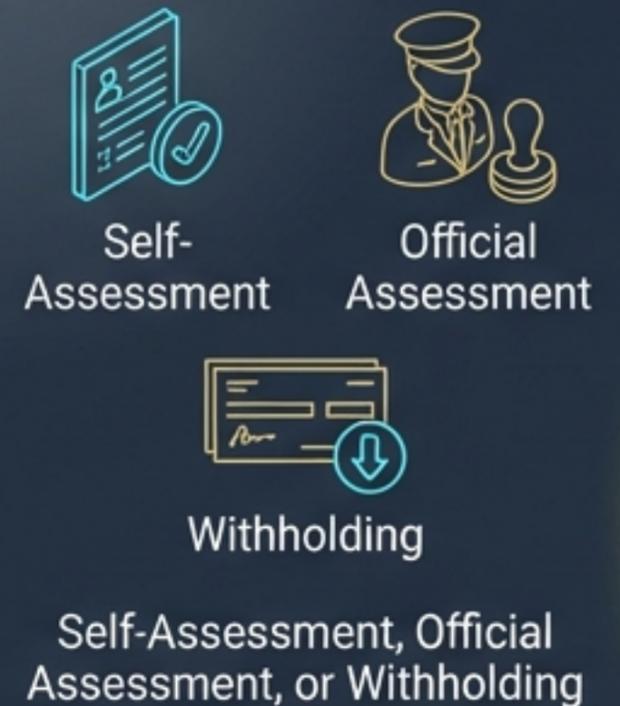


Income, Consumption, Assets, or Privileges

The Tax Rate



Method



Self-Assessment, Official Assessment, or Withholding

Disputes & Enforcement

Dispute Resolution Timeline & Penalties

Inter Tight

Dispute Resolution Timeline



Penalties

Penalties

Criminal Penalties
Fines and Imprisonment
(Intent-based)

Civil Penalties
Surcharges (Interest)
and Fines

Principles of Jurisdiction

The Authority to Collect



The Source Rule

Inter Tight

Income paid from a source within the country.



The Residence Rule

Inter Tight

Taxpayer domiciled or residing in the country.



The Consumption Rule

Inter Tight

Goods or services consumed within the country.

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Note: Citizenship alone is not a primary basis for collection in this context.

Classification by Collector

National Level Taxes (Central Government)

Revenue Dept.

Income Tax, VAT, Business Tax, Stamp Duty

Excise Dept.

Tobacco, Oil, Liquor, Cars

Customs Dept.

Import/Export Duties

Local Level Taxes (Local Administration)

House/Land Tax, Signboard Tax, Local Development Tax

Inter Tight

Classification by Tax Burden

Direct Tax



Cannot shift burden. Taxpayer bears the cost.

- Personal Income Tax, Corporate Tax, Inheritance Tax.

Indirect Tax



Can shift burden to the consumer.

- VAT, Customs Duty, Excise Tax.

Classification by Tax Base

Income Base



Collected from earnings
(Personal & Corporate).

Asset/Property Base



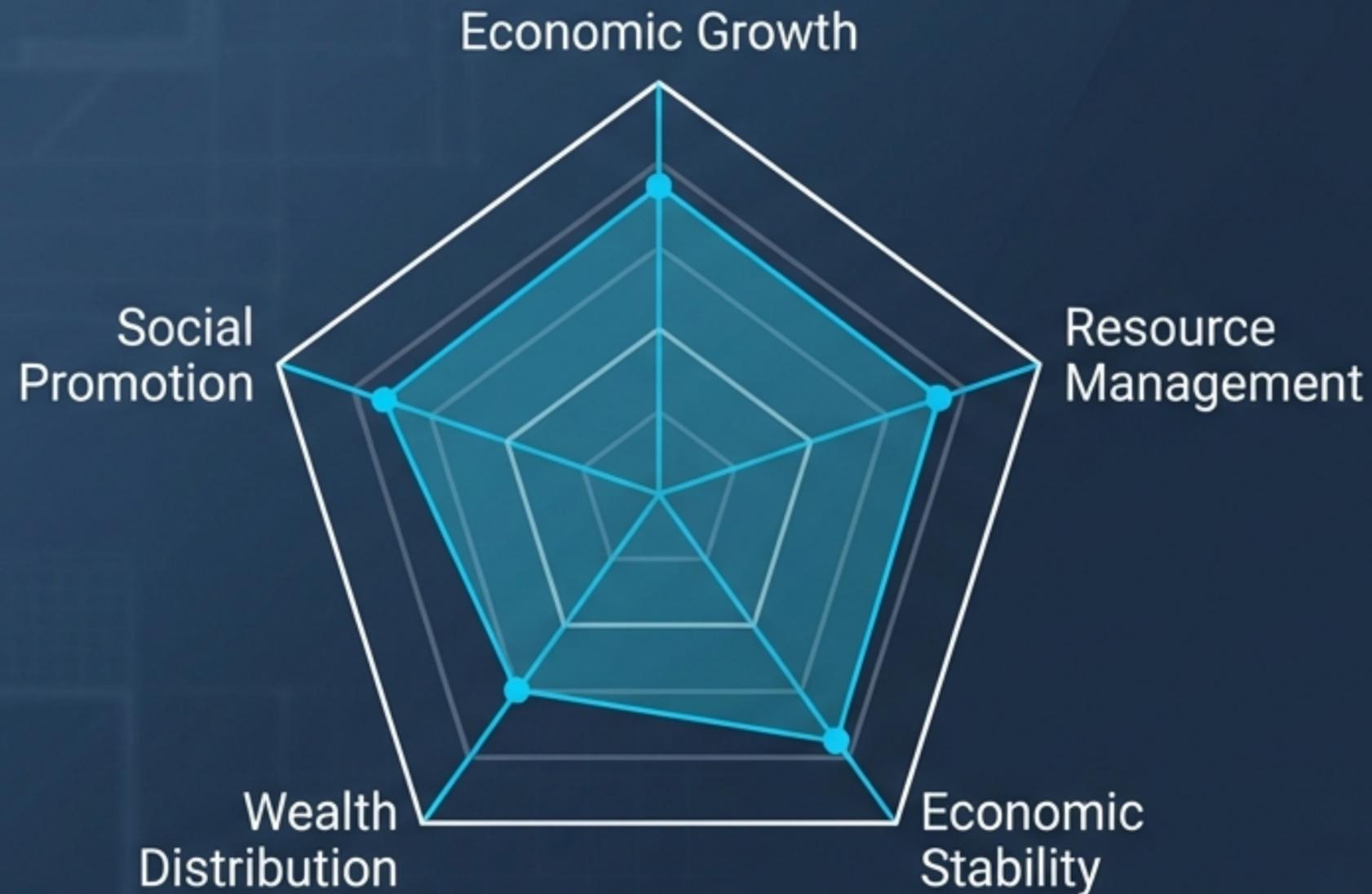
Collected from property
ownership and value.

Consumption Base



Collected from sales of
goods and services
(Excise, Duties).

Strategic Tax Policy



Promoting investment



Limiting resource depletion



Maintaining equilibrium



Allocating assets fairly



Supporting education/environment

Key Takeaways



The Ideal System

Fair, Clear, Efficient,
Neutral, and Adaptive.



The Structure

Taxpayer + Base +
Rate + Method.



The Authority

Jurisdiction via Source,
Residence, and
Consumption.



The Impact

Fuel for public utilities,
lever for stability, tool
for equity.