

Potential Government Take from Oil Revenues and Likely Impact on Budget Deficit Financing: A Case of Uganda

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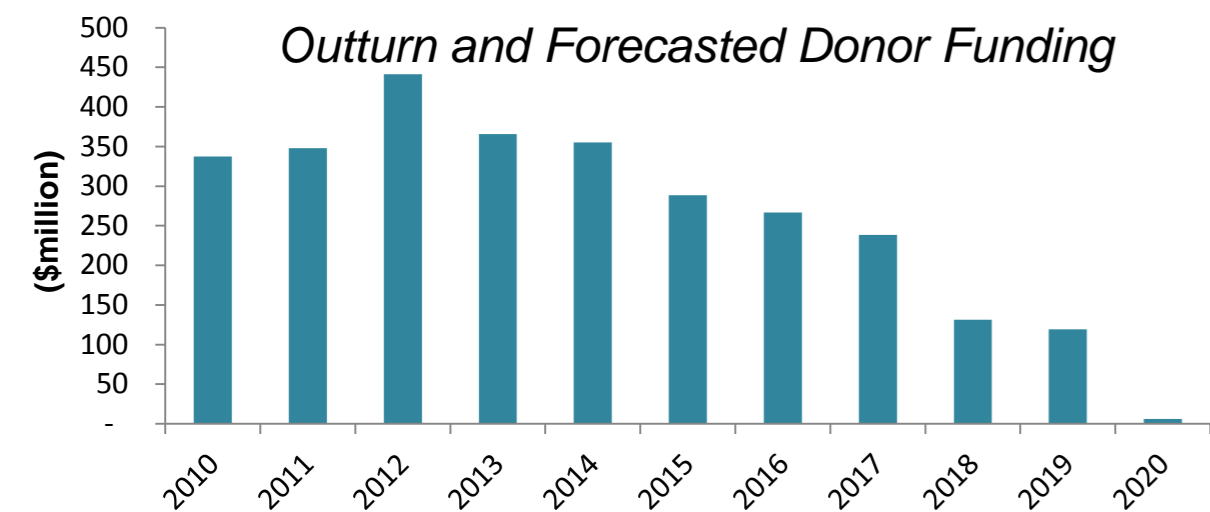
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INTRODUCTION

- Commercial oil in Uganda discovered in 2006
- Production not started. Reason mainly due to protracted negotiations over PSA terms
- Consensus reached, first production license over Kingfisher field (196mmbbl) granted 2013. First oil anticipated in 2018
- Study examines the potential government take under adopted PSA terms and likely impact of oil revenues on budget deficit financing



- Recent suspensions and expected decline in donor funding likely to widen deficit and need answer

METHODOLOGY

- Use of spread sheet model to capture projects cash flows in both MOD and Real terms
- OLS to forecast budget deficit in the medium term

Analyses

- Focused more on government take statistics
- Responsiveness of government and company takes with varying profitability levels
- Comparison of expected take against projected budget deficit

Data

Field (mmbbl)	Capex (\$/bbl)	Opex (% Acc. Capex)
50	14	6.5
Kingfisher (196)	12	5

- Two oil price scenarios: \$70/bbl and \$140/bbl

RESULTS

Government Take MOD Terms (\$billion)

Field	50mmbbl		196mmbbl	
	share	%share	share	%share
Price				
\$70/bbl	1.1bn	90%	6.6bn	90%
\$140/bbl	3.7bn	78%	18.5bn	88%

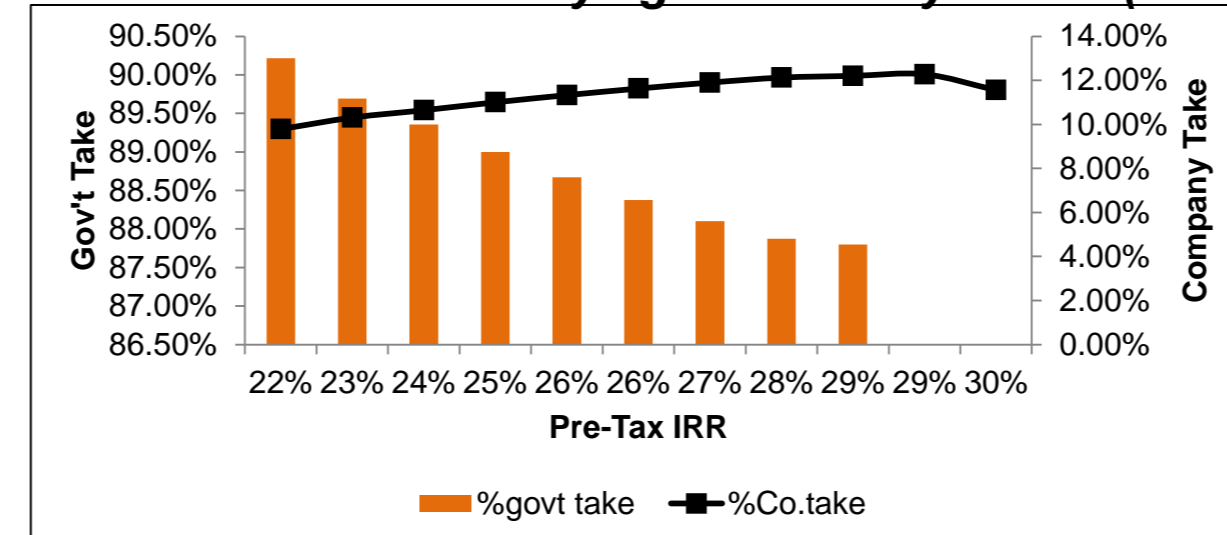
- Government take percentage high at low price but reduces at high price, reduction even more for the 50mmbbl field

Government Take in Real Terms (\$billion)

Field	50mmbbl		196mmbbl	
	share	%share	share	%share
Price				
\$70/bbl	0.3bn	210%	2.0bn	131%
\$140/bbl	1.2bn	88%	6.0bn	96%

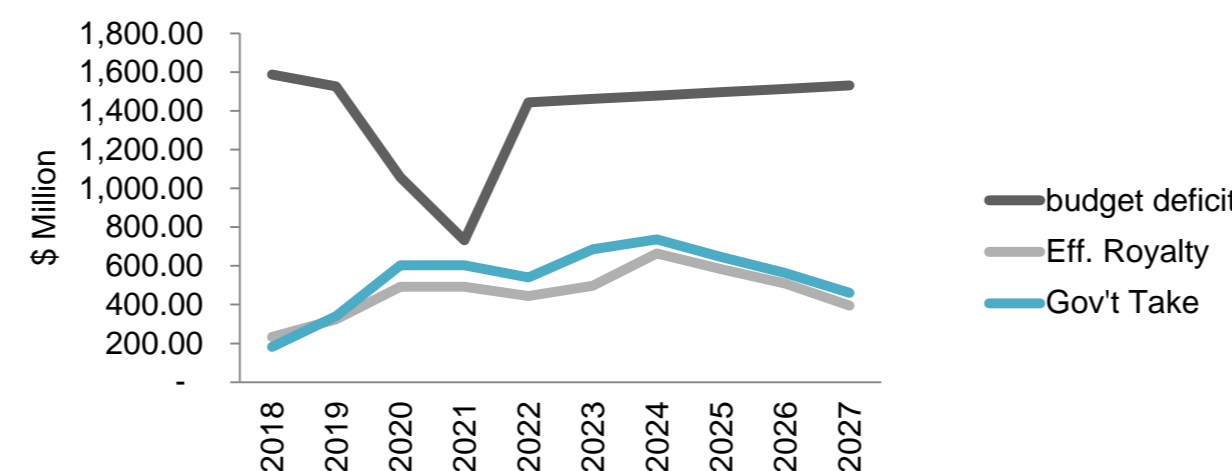
- Government take more than 100% implies project not profitable to investors
- Government take not sensitive to oil price

Government Take at varying Profitability Levels (196mmbbl)



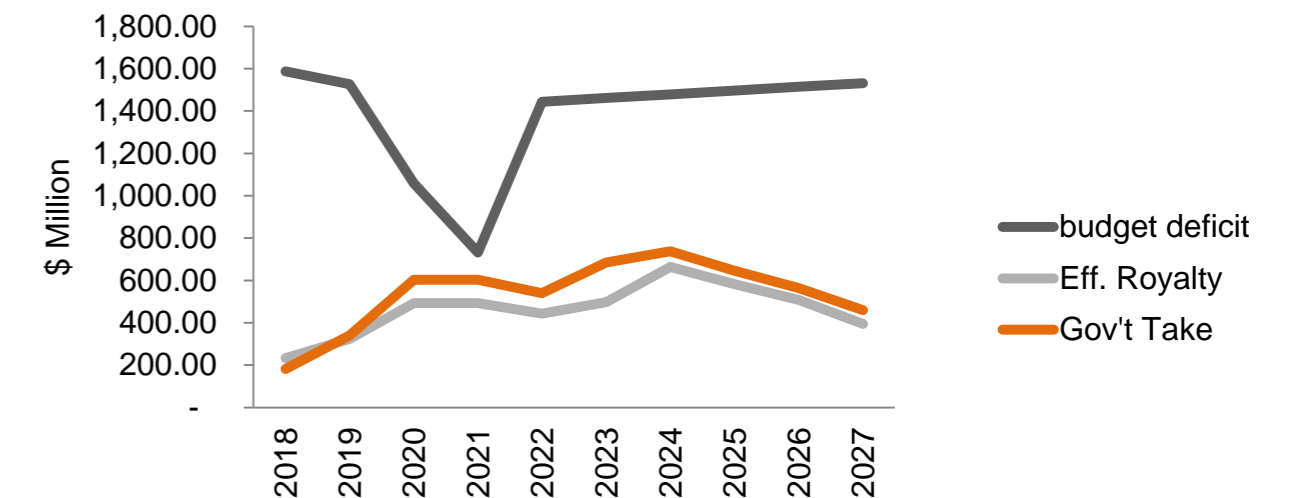
- Government take lower (higher) with higher (lower) profitability
- Government benefits less from the upside. Downside affect investor more and could make small fields uneconomic

Government Take (\$70/bbl) against Projected Budget Deficit



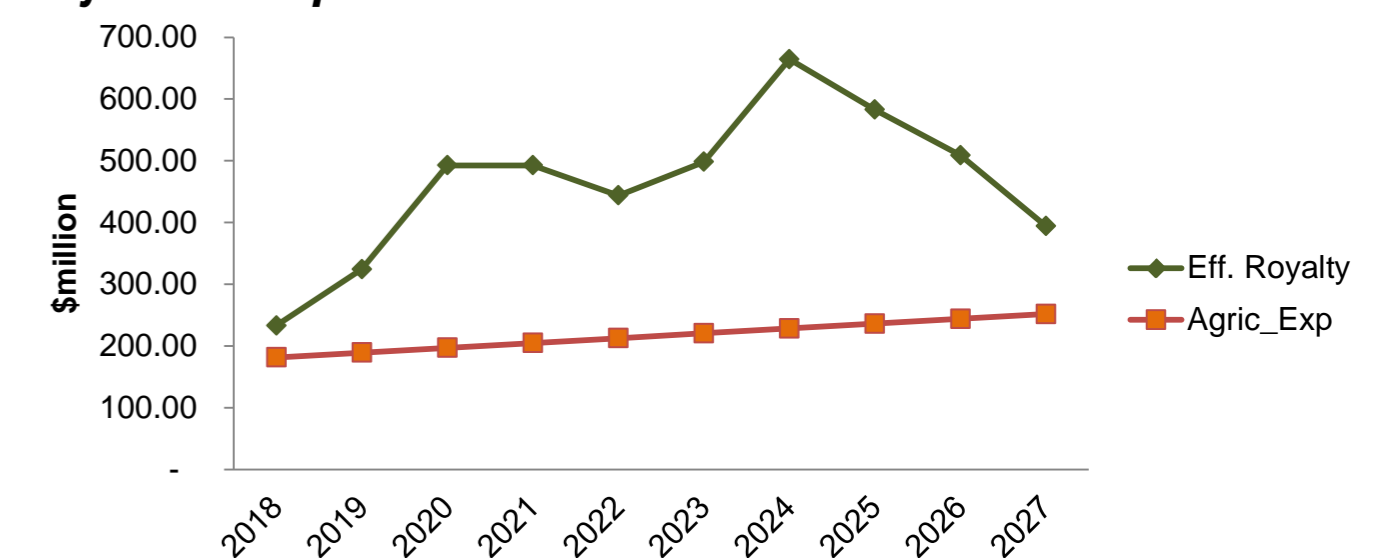
- At the conservative oil price, government take could cover up to 47.6% on average of the projected annual budget deficit

Government Take (\$140/bbl) against projected Budget Deficit



- At a high price (about \$140/bbl) budget deficits could be offset by 2020 using only take from the kingfisher field

Government Take (\$70/bbl) against Agriculture Sector Projected Requirement



- Prioritising spending on agriculture sector could be consistent with poverty reduction effort and also improve export earnings

CONCLUSIONS

- Government could consider integrating more progressive schemes such as R-factor or ROR within existing fiscal regime, would be good for both parties
- Reinstating some previously exempted non-resource taxes to help finance budget deficit in the medium term
- If oil revenue less than projected budget deficit, government could prioritise spending it on the agriculture sector

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