



Economic Planning in the Presence of Natural Disasters

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Scope of Presentation

- Problem Identification
- □ Economic Model as the Workhorse of Economic Planning
- □ Integrating Natural Disaster Shocks into the Economic Model
- □ Results and Policy Simulation Analysis
- Conclusion and Recommendations





One Model: Many Names

- □ Econometric Model;
- □ Macroeconometric Model;
- □ Structural Model;
- **Economic Model**





Feature of a Good Economic Model

- □ Be simple in construction but realistic in forecasting;
- □ Cover the whole economy which can be displayed with a simple diagram;
- □ be consistent with economic logic;
- □ able to utilize enough data (i.e., historical information)





Objectives of Constructing an Economic Model

- □ Covering the basic linkages in the economy
- □ Forecasting the impact of shocks
- □ Assessing scenario outcomes
- □ Policy-making





Generic Steps in working with an Economic Model

- □ Step 1: Locating a Suitable Model
- □ Step 2: Analyzing the Feasibility of the Model
- □ Step 3: Establishing a Baseline Forecast
- □ Step 4: Preparing the Policy Change to be Analyzed
- □ Step 5: Running the Policy Scenario
- □ Step 6: Assessing the Results





Economic Planning with Economic Model





An Economic Model

□ 1. Selection of Key Elements







□ 2. Assumptions: How the Blocks are Linked







Economic Model

□ 3. Hypothesis ...

Some Examples of Hypothesis

- "Monetary policy is more effective than fiscal policy."
- "Exchange rate policy is more effective than monetary policy."
- "Fiscal policy is more effective than monetary policy."
- "Monetary along with exchange rate policy is more effective than fiscal policy."





Economic Model

□ 3. Hypothesis







Methodology: Integration of Natural Disasters into Economic Planning





- Inputs of the Model: Estimation of Damages due to Natural Disasters
 - From Risk Assessment to Pre-disaster Loss Estimation
 - From Damage Assessment to Post-disaster Loss Estimation

□ 2. Assumptions: How the Blocks are Linked







□ 5. Outputs of the Model: Policy Analysis

Natural Disaster Shocks:

Production Block; Bop Block; Govt. Sector Block; Monetary Block; Price Block; and Exchange Rate Block

Available Policy Options:

- 1. Fiscal Policy given no natural disasters;
- 2. Fiscal Policy given natural disaster shocks;
- 3. Monetary Policy given no natural disasters;
- 4. Monetary Policy given natural disaster shocks;
- 5. Fiscal and Monetary Policy given no natural disasters;
- 6. Fiscal and Monetary Policy given natural disaster shocks;





□ 3. Hypothesis Revised:

Some Examples of Hypothesis

"Monetary policy is more effective than fiscal/exchange rate policies for recovering total damages due to natural disasters."

"Exchange rate policy is more effective than fiscal/monetary policies for recovering total damages due to natural disasters."

"Fiscal policy is more effective than monetary/exchange rate policies for recovering total damages due to natural disasters."

"Monetary along with Exchange rate policy is more effective than fiscal policy for recovering total damages due to natural disasters."





□ 3. Hypothesis







Policy Simulations

Expansionary Fiscal Policy Simulation: REDUCE THE TAXES

All production sectors are worse off



Figure: Hypothetical Effects of Fiscal Shock on Production Sectors of the Economy





Expansionary Fiscal Policy Simulation: WITH TAXES REDUCED



Dynamic Policy Simulations

Without Monetary Policy

2. Expansionary Monetary Policy Simulation: REDUCE THE INTEREST RATE

□ All production sectors are worse off



With Interest Rate Reduced by 5%



Figure 9.5: Effects of Monetary Policy on Production Sectors of the Economy







Expansionary Monetary Policy Simulation

- A decrease in interest rate has ended up with an increase in money supply
- An expansionary monetary policy has also speeded up the government budget deficit



Money Supply

Government Budget Deficit







4. Fiscal & Monetary Policy Mix ...







Natural Disaster Shock as Input into Economic Model

Sector	Total Effects (in dollars)			
	Damage	Fraction of Capital Damaged		
Primary Sectors:				
Agriculture	**	10%		
Secondary Sectors:				
Industry	**	20%		
Service Sectors:				
Transport & Communications	**	8%		
Commerce	**	22%		
Housing	**	4%		
Tourism	**	35%		
Electricity	**	17%		
Education	**	2%		
Health	**	3%		
Water and Sanitation	**	7%		
Public Administration	**	6%		
Cultural Heritage	**	14%		
Total	***	***		





Potential Impact of Natural Disasters on GDP







Methodology: At a Glance

INPUTS	ECONOMIC MODEL	OUTPUTS
Damage Data from Risk Assessment	PRODUCTION BLOCK BOP BLOCK 9 Agricultural Sector; Expending 9 Manufacturing Sector; Expending 9 Monet Arry BLOCK Private consumption; 9 Monet TBLOCK Private consumption; 9 Monet TBLOCK Money Supply; 9 Monet Sector; Money Supply; 9 Money Supply; Inserest rate 9 Money Supply; Inserest rate	Estimation of Loss Selection of Optimum Policy Option
Damage Data from ECLAC Methodology		
Damage Data: Hypothetical Case		





Q & A Session





