



MALAYSIA BUDGET **Summary** 2024

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Malaysia's narrower fiscal deficit projected in Budget 2024 will not be sufficient to stabilize weak debt affordability.

"High debt burden and weak debt affordability will remain key credit constraint that weigh on other fundamental strengths.

IDEAS

GDP projection and fiscal deficit target realistic.

However, in the long run, Malaysia should "seriously consider restoring the Goods-and-Services Tax (GST) to further widen our tax base, given Malaysia's poor tax-to-GDP ratio when compared with our regional peers.