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- MPSAS 33, First-time Adoption of Accrual Basis Malaysian Public Sector Accounting Standards (MPSASs) (issued November 2015)

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Malaysian Public Sector Accounting Standard (MPSAS) 24, Presentation of Budget Information in Financial Statements, is set out in paragraphs 1-55. All the paragraphs have equal authority. MPSAS 24, Presentation of Budget Information in Financial Statements, should be read in the context of its objective and the Preface to Malaysian Public Sector Accounting Standards. MPSAS 3, Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, provides a basis for selecting and applying accounting policies in the absence of explicit guidance.

Objective

- 1. This Standard requires a comparison of budget amounts and the actual amounts arising from execution of the budget to be included in the financial statements of entities that are required to, or elect to, make publicly available their approved budget(s), and for which they are, therefore, held publicly accountable. This Standard also requires disclosure of an explanation of the reasons for material differences between the budget and actual amounts. Compliance with the requirements of this Standard will ensure that public sector entities discharge their accountability obligations and enhance the transparency of their financial statements by demonstrating:
 - (a) Compliance with the approved budget(s) for which they are held publicly accountable; and
 - (b) Where the budget(s) and the financial statements are prepared on the same basis, their financial performance in achieving the budgeted results.

Scope

- 2. An entity that prepares and presents financial statements under the accrual basis of accounting shall apply this Standard.
- 3. This Standard applies to public sector entities which are required or elect to make their approved budget(s) publicly available.
- 4. [Deleted]
- 5. This Standard does not require approved budgets to be made publicly available, nor does it require that the financial statements disclose information about, or make comparisons with, approved budgets that are not made publicly available.
- 6. In some cases, approved budgets will be compiled to encompass all the activities controlled by a public sector entity. In other cases, separate approved budgets may be required to be made publicly available for certain activities, groups of activities, or entities included in the financial statements of a government or other public sector entity. This may occur:
 - (a) Where, for example, a government's financial statements encompass government agencies or programs that have operational autonomy and prepare their own budgets; or
 - (b) Where a budget is prepared only for the general government sector of the whole-of-government. This Standard applies to all entities that present financial statements when approved budgets for the entity, or components thereof, are made publicly available.

Definitions

7. The following terms are used in this Standard with the meanings specified:

<u>Accounting basis</u> means the accrual or cash basis of accounting as defined in the accrual basis MPSASs and the Cash Basis MPSASs.

<u>Annual budget</u> means an approved budget for one year. It does not include published forward estimates or projections for periods beyond the budget period.

<u>Appropriation</u> is an authorization granted by a legislative body to allocate funds for purposes specified by the legislature or similar authority.

<u>Approved budget</u> means the expenditure authority derived from laws, appropriation bills, government ordinances, and other decisions related to the anticipated revenue or receipts for the budgetary period.

<u>Budgetary basis</u> means the accrual, cash, or other basis of accounting adopted in the budget that has been approved by the legislative body.

<u>Comparable basis</u> means the actual amounts presented on the same accounting basis, same classification basis, for the same entities, and for the same period as the approved budget.

<u>Final budget</u> is the original budget, adjusted for all reserves, carry-over amounts, transfers, allocations, supplemental appropriations, and other authorized legislative or similar authority changes applicable to the budget period.

<u>Multi-year budget</u> is an approved budget for more than one year. It does not include published forward estimates or projections for periods beyond the budget period.

Original budget is the initial approved budget for the budget period.

Terms defined in other MPSASs are used in this Standard with the same meaning as in those Standards, and are reproduced in the *Glossary of Defined Terms* published separately.

Approved Budgets

8. An approved budget as defined by this Standard reflects the anticipated revenues or receipts expected to arise in the annual or multi-year budget period, based on current plans and the anticipated economic conditions during that budget period, and expenses or expenditures approved by a legislative body, being the legislature or other relevant authority. An approved budget is not a forward estimate, or a projection based on assumptions about future events and possible management actions that are not necessarily expected to take place. Similarly, an approved budget differs from prospective financial information, which may be in the form of a forecast, a projection, or a combination of both; for example, a one-year forecast plus a five-year projection.

- 9. In some jurisdictions, budgets may be signed into law as part of the approval process. In other jurisdictions, approval may be provided without the budget becoming law. Whatever the approval process, the critical feature of approved budgets is that the authority to withdraw funds from the government treasury or similar body for agreed and identified purposes is provided by a higher legislative body or other appropriate authority. The approved budget establishes the expenditure authority for the specified items. The expenditure authority is generally considered the legal limit within which an entity must operate. In some jurisdictions, the approved budget for which the entity will be held accountable may be the original budget, and in others it may be the final budget.
- 10. If a budget is not approved prior to the beginning of the budget period, the original budget is the budget that was first approved for application in the budget year.

Original and Final Budget

- 11. The original budget may include residual appropriated amounts automatically carried over from prior years by law. For example, governmental budgetary processes in some jurisdictions include a legal provision that requires the automatic rolling forward of appropriations to cover prior year commitments. Commitments encompass possible future liabilities based on a current contractual agreement. In some jurisdictions, they may be referred to as obligations or encumbrances, and include outstanding purchase orders and contracts where goods or services have not yet been received.
- 12. Supplemental appropriations may be necessary where the original budget did not adequately envisage expenditure requirements arising from, for example, war or natural disasters. In addition, there may be a shortfall in budgeted revenues during the period, and internal transfers between budget heads or line items may be necessary to accommodate changes in funding priorities during the fiscal period. Consequently, the funds allotted to an entity or activity may need to be cut back from the amount originally appropriated for the period in order to maintain fiscal discipline. The final budget includes all such authorized changes or amendments.

Actual Amounts

13. This Standard uses the term actual or actual amount to describe the amounts that result from execution of the budget. In some jurisdictions, budget out-turn, budget execution, or similar terms may be used with the same meaning as actual or actual amount.

Presentation of a Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts

14. Subject to the requirements of paragraph 21, an entity shall present a comparison of the budget amounts for which it is held publicly accountable and actual amounts, either as a separate additional financial statement or as additional budget columns in the financial statements currently presented in accordance with MPSASs. The comparison of budget and actual amounts shall present separately for each level of legislative oversight:

- (a) The original and final budget amounts;
- (b) The actual amounts on a comparable basis; and
- (c) By way of note disclosure, an explanation of material differences between the budget for which the entity is held publicly accountable and actual amounts, unless such explanation is included in other public documents issued in conjunction with the financial statements, and a cross reference to those documents is made in the notes.
- 15. Presentation in the financial statements of the original and final budget amounts and actual amounts on a comparable basis with the budget that is made publicly available will complete the accountability cycle by enabling users of the financial statements to identify whether resources were obtained and used in accordance with the approved budget. Differences between the actual amounts and the budget amounts, whether original or final budget (often referred to as the variance in accounting), may also be presented in the financial statements for completeness.
- 16. An explanation of the material differences between actual amounts and the budget amounts will assist users in understanding the reasons for material departures from the approved budget for which the entity is held publicly accountable.
- 17. An entity may be required, or may elect, to make publicly available its original budget, its final budget, or both its original and final budget. In circumstances where both the original and final budget are required to be made publicly available, the legislation, regulation, or other authority will often provide guidance on whether explanation of material differences between the actual and the original budget amounts, or actual and the final budget amounts, is required in accordance with paragraph 14(c). In the absence of any such guidance, material differences may be determined by reference to, for example:
 - (a) Differences between actual and original budget to focus on performance against original budget; or
 - (b) Differences between actual and final budget to focus on compliance with the final budget.
- 18. In many cases, the final budget and the actual amount will be the same. This is because budget execution is monitored over the reporting period, and the original budget progressively revised to reflect changing conditions, changing circumstances, and experiences during the reporting period. Paragraph 29 of this Standard requires the disclosure of an explanation of the reasons for changes between the original and final budget. Those disclosures, together with the disclosures required by paragraph 14 above, will ensure that entities that make publicly available their approved budget(s) are held publicly accountable for their performance against, and compliance with, the relevant approved budget.
- 19. Management discussion and analysis, operations review, or other public reports that provide commentary on the performance and achievements of the entity during the reporting period, including explanations of any material differences from budget amounts, are often

issued in conjunction with the financial statements. In accordance with paragraph 14(c) of this Standard, explanation of material differences between actual and budget amounts will be included in notes to the financial statements, unless:

- (a) Included in other public reports or documents issued in conjunction with the financial statements, and
- (b) The notes to the financial statements identify the reports or documents in which the explanation can be found.
- 20. Where approved budgets are only made publicly available for some of the entities or activities included in the financial statements, the requirements of paragraph 14 will apply to only the entities or activities reflected in the approved budget. This means that where, for example, a budget is prepared only for the general government sector of a whole-of-government reporting entity, and the disclosures required by paragraph 14 will be made only in respect of the general government sector of the government.

Presentation and Disclosure

- 21. An entity shall present a comparison of budget and actual amounts as additional budget columns in the primary financial statements only where the financial statements and the budget are prepared on a comparable basis.
- 22. Comparisons of budget and actual amounts may be presented in a separate financial statement, (Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts or a similarly titled statement) included in the complete set of financial statements as specified in MPSAS 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*. Alternatively, where the financial statements and the budget are prepared on a comparable basis that is, on the same basis of accounting for the same entity and reporting period, and adopt the same classification structure additional columns may be added to the existing primary financial statements presented in accordance with MPSASs. These additional columns will identify original and final budget amounts and, if the entity so chooses, differences between the budget and actual amounts.
- 23. When the budget and financial statements are not prepared on a comparable basis, a separate Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts is presented. In these cases, to ensure that readers do not misinterpret financial information that is prepared on different bases, the financial statements could usefully clarify that the budget and the accounting bases differ, and that the Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts is prepared on the budget basis.
- 24. In those jurisdictions where budgets are prepared on the accrual basis and encompass the full set of financial statements, additional budget columns can be added to all the primary financial statements required by MPSASs. In some jurisdictions, budgets prepared on the accrual basis may be presented in the form of only certain of the primary financial statements that comprise the full set of financial statements as specified by MPSASs for example, the budget may be presented as a statement of financial performance or a cash flow

statement, with additional information provided in supporting schedules. In these cases, the additional budget columns can be included in the primary financial statements that are also adopted for presentation of the budget.

Level of Aggregation

- 25. Budget documents may provide great detail about particular activities, programs, or entities. These details are often aggregated into broad classes under common budget heads, budget classifications, or budget headings for presentation to, and approval by, the legislature or other authoritative body. The disclosure of budget and actual information consistent with those broad classes and budget heads or headings will ensure that comparisons are made at the level of legislative or other authoritative body oversight identified in the budget documents.
- 26. MPSAS 3, Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, requires financial statements to provide information that meets the qualitative characteristics, including that the information is relevant to the accountability and decision-making needs of users, faithfully represents the financial position, financial performance, and cash flows of the entity, meets the other qualitative characteristics and takes account of the constraints on information included in general purpose financial reports.
- 27. In some cases, the detailed financial information included in approved budgets may need to be aggregated for presentation in financial statements in accordance with the requirements of this Standard. Such aggregation may be necessary to avoid information overload and to reflect relevant levels of legislative or other authoritative body oversight. Determining the level of aggregation will involve professional judgment. That judgment will be applied in the context of the objective of this Standard and the qualitative characteristics of financial reporting as outlined in paragraph 26 above and in the Conceptual Framework for General Purpose Financial Reporting by Public Sector Entities.
- 28. Additional budget information, including information about service achievements, may be presented in documents other than financial statements. A cross reference from financial statements to such documents is encouraged, particularly to link budget and actual data to non-financial budget data and service achievements.

Changes from Original to Final Budget

- 29. An entity shall present an explanation of whether changes between the original and final budget are a consequence of reallocations within the budget, or of other factors:
 - (a) By way of note disclosure in the financial statements; or
 - (b) In a report issued before, at the same time as, or in conjunction with, the financial statements, and shall include a cross reference to the report in the notes to the financial statements.

30. The final budget includes all changes approved by legislative actions or other designated authority to revise the original budget. Consistent with the requirements of this Standard, a public sector entity will include in the notes to the financial statements or in a separate report issued before, in conjunction with, or at the same time as the financial statements, an explanation of changes between the original and final budget. That explanation will include whether, for example, changes arise as a consequence of reallocations within the original budget parameters or as a consequence of other factors, such as changes in the overall budget parameters, including changes in government policy. Such disclosures are often made in a management discussion and analysis or similar report on operations issued in conjunction with, but not as part of, the financial statements. Such disclosures may also be included in budget out-turn reports issued by governments to report on budget execution. Where disclosures are made in separate reports rather than in the financial statements, the notes to the financial statements will include a cross reference to the report.

Comparable Basis

- 31. All comparisons of budget and actual amounts shall be presented on a comparable basis to the budget.
- 32. The comparison of budget and actual amounts will be presented on the same accounting basis (accrual, cash, or other basis), same classification basis, and for the same entities and period as for the approved budget. This will ensure that the disclosure of information about compliance with the budget in the financial statements is on the same basis as the budget itself. In some cases, this may mean presenting a budget and actual comparison on a different basis of accounting, for a different group of activities, and with a different presentation or classification format than that adopted for the financial statements.
- 33. Financial statements consolidate entities and activities controlled by the entity. As noted in paragraph 6, separate budgets may be approved and made publicly available for individual entities or particular activities that make up the consolidated financial statements. Where this occurs, the separate budgets may be recompiled for presentation in the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of this Standard. Where such recompilation occurs, it will not involve changes or revisions to approved budgets. This is because this Standard requires a comparison of actual amounts with the approved budget amounts.
- 34. Entities may adopt different bases of accounting for the preparation of their financial statements and for their approved budgets. For example, a government may adopt the accrual basis for its financial statements and the cash basis for its budget. In addition, budgets may focus on, or include information about, commitments to expend funds in the future and changes in those commitments, while the financial statements will report assets, liabilities, net assets/equity, revenues, expenses, other changes in net assets/equity, and cash flows. However, the budget entity and financial reporting entity will often be the same. Similarly, the period for which the budget is prepared and the classification basis adopted for the budget will often be reflected in financial statements. This will ensure that the accounting system records and reports financial information in a manner that facilitates the comparison of budget and actual data for management and for accountability purposes, for

example, for monitoring progress of execution of the budget during the budget period and for reporting to the government, the public, and other users on a relevant and timely basis.

- 35. In some jurisdictions, budgets may be prepared on a cash or accrual basis consistent with a statistical reporting system that encompasses entities and activities different from those included in the financial statements. For example, budgets prepared to comply with a statistical reporting system may focus on the general government sector, and encompass only entities fulfilling the primary or non-market functions of government as their major activity, while financial statements report on all activities controlled by a government, including the business activities of the government. MPSAS 22, Disclosure of Financial Information about the General Government Sector, specifies requirements for note disclosure of financial information about the general government sector of a whole-of-government entity that adopts the accrual basis of accounting and elects to make such disclosures. In many cases, disclosures made in accordance with MPSAS 22, Disclosure of Financial Information about the General Government Sector, will encompass the same entities, activities, and classification bases as adopted in budgets prepared consistent with the general government sector as defined in statistical reporting models. In these cases, disclosures made in accordance with MPSAS 22, Disclosure of Financial Information about the General Government Sector, will also facilitate the disclosures required by this Standard.
- 36. In statistical reporting models, the general government sector may comprise national, state/provincial, and local government levels. In some jurisdictions, the national government may:
 - (a) Control state/provincial and local governments;
 - (b) Consolidate those governments in its financial statements; and
 - (c) Develop, and require to be made publicly available, an approved budget that encompasses all three levels of government. In these cases, the requirements of this Standard will apply to the financial statements of those national governmental entities.

However, where a national government does not control state/provincial or local governments, its financial statements will not consolidate state/provincial or local governments. Rather, separate financial statements are prepared for each level of government. The requirements of this Standard will only apply to the financial statements of governmental entities when approved budgets for the entities and activities they control, or subsections thereof, are made publicly available.

Multi-year Budgets

37. Some governments and other entities approve and make publicly available multi-year budgets, rather than separate annual budgets. Conventionally, multi-year budgets comprise a series of annual budgets or annual budget targets. The approved budget for each component annual period reflects the application of the budgetary policies associated with the multi-year budget for that component period. In some cases, the multi-year budget provides for a roll forward of unused appropriations in any single year.

38. Governments and other entities with multi-year budgets may take different approaches to determining their original and final budget, depending on how their budget is passed. For example, a government may pass a biennial budget that contains two approved annual budgets, in which case an original and final approved budget for each annual period will be identifiable. If unused appropriations from the first year of the biennial budget are legally authorized to be spent in the second year, the original budget for the second-year period will be increased for these carry over amounts. In the rare cases in which a government passes a biennial or other multi-period budget that does not specifically separate budget amounts into each annual period, judgment may be necessary in identifying which amounts are attributable to each annual period in determining annual budgets for the purposes of this Standard. For example, the original and final approved budget for the first year of a biennial period will encompass any approved capital acquisitions for the biennial period that occurred during the first year, together with the amount of the recurring revenue and expenditure items attributable to that year. The unexpended amounts from the first annual period would then be included in the original budget for the second annual period, and that budget together with any amendments thereto would form the final budget for the second year. Where multi-period budgets are adopted, entities are encouraged to provide additional note disclosure about the relationship between budget and actual amounts during the budget period.

Note Disclosures of Budgetary Basis, Period and Scope

- 39. An entity shall explain in notes to the financial statements the budgetary basis and classification basis adopted in the approved budget.
- 40. There may be differences between the accounting basis (cash, accrual, or some modification thereof) used in preparation and presentation of the budget and the accounting basis used in the financial statements. These differences may occur when the accounting system and the budget system compile information from different perspectives the budget may focus on cash flows, or cash flows plus certain commitments, while the financial statements report cash flows and accrual information.
- 41. Formats and classification schemes adopted for presentation of the approved budget may also differ from the formats adopted for the financial statements. An approved budget may classify items on the same basis as is adopted in the financial statements, for example, by economic nature (compensation of employees, use of goods or services, etc.), or function (health, education, etc.). Alternatively, the budget may classify items by specific programs (for example, poverty reduction or control of contagious diseases) or program components linked to performance outcome objectives (for example, students graduating from tertiary education programs or surgical operations performed by hospital emergency services), which differ from classifications adopted in the financial statements. Further, a recurrent budget for ongoing operations (for example, education or health) may be approved separately from a capital budget for capital outlays (for example, infrastructure or buildings).
- 42. MPSAS 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*, requires entities to present, in notes to the financial statements, information about the basis of preparation of the financial statements and

the significant accounting policies adopted. Disclosure of the budgetary basis and classification basis adopted for the preparation and presentation of approved budgets will assist users to better understand the relationship between the budget and accounting information disclosed in the financial statements.

- 43. An entity shall disclose in notes to the financial statements the period of the approved budget.
- 44. Financial statements are presented at least annually. Entities may approve budgets for an annual period or for multi-year periods. Disclosure of the period covered by the approved budget, where that period differs from the reporting period adopted for the financial statements, will assist the users of those financial statements to better understand the relationship of the budget data and budget comparison to the financial statements. Disclosure of the period covered by the approved budget, where that period is the same as the period covered by the financial statements, will also serve a useful confirmation role, particularly in jurisdictions where interim budgets and financial statements and reports are also prepared.
- 45. An entity shall identify in notes to the financial statements the entities included in the approved budget.
- 46. MPSASs require entities to prepare and present financial statements that consolidate all resources controlled by the entity. At the whole-of-government level, financial statements prepared in accordance with MPSASs will encompass budget-dependent entities and commercial public sector entities controlled by the government. However, as noted in paragraph 35, approved budgets prepared in accordance with statistical reporting models may not encompass operations of the government that are undertaken on a commercial or market basis. Consistent with the requirements of paragraph 31, budget and actual amounts will be presented on a comparable basis. Disclosure of the entities encompassed by the budget will enable users to identify the extent to which the entity's activities are subject to an approved budget, and how the budget entity differs from the entity reflected in the financial statements.

Reconciliation of Actual Amounts on a Comparable Basis and Actual Amounts in the Financial Statements

- 47. The actual amounts presented on a comparable basis to the budget in accordance with paragraph 31 shall, where the financial statements and the budget are not prepared on a comparable basis, be reconciled to the following actual amounts presented in the financial statements, identifying separately any basis, timing, and entity differences:
 - (a) If the accrual basis is adopted for the budget, total revenues, total expenses, and net cash flows from operating activities, investing activities, and financing activities; or
 - (b) If a basis other than the accrual basis is adopted for the budget, net cash flows from operating activities, investing activities, and financing activities.

The reconciliation shall be disclosed on the face of the statement of comparison of budget and actual amounts, or in the notes to the financial statements.

- 48. Differences between the actual amounts identified consistent with the comparable basis, and the actual amounts recognized in the financial statements, can usefully be classified into the following:
 - (a) Basis differences, which occur when the approved budget is prepared on a basis other than the accounting basis. For example, where the budget is prepared on the cash basis or modified cash basis and the financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis;
 - (b) Timing differences, which occur when the budget period differs from the reporting period reflected in the financial statements; and
 - (c) Entity differences, which occur when the budget omits programs or entities that are part of the entity for which the financial statements are prepared.

There may also be differences in formats and classification schemes adopted for presentation of financial statements and the budget.

- 49. The reconciliation required by paragraph 47 of this Standard will enable the entity to better discharge its accountability obligations, by identifying major sources of difference between the actual amounts on a budget basis and the amounts recognized in the financial statements. This Standard does not preclude reconciliation of each major total and subtotal, or each class of items, presented in a comparison of budget and actual amounts with the equivalent amounts in the financial statements.
- 50. For some entities adopting the same basis of accounting for preparation of both the budget documents and the financial statements, only the identification of differences between actual amounts in the budget and the equivalent amounts in the financial statements will be required. This will occur where the budget:
 - (a) Is prepared for the same period;
 - (b) Encompasses the same entities; and
 - (c) Adopts the same presentation format as the financial statements. In these cases, a reconciliation is not required.

For other entities adopting the same basis of accounting for the budget and the financial statements, there may be a difference in presentation format, reporting entity, or reporting period; for example, the approved budget may adopt a different classification or presentation format to the financial statements, may include only non-commercial activities of the entity, or maybe a multi-year budget. A reconciliation would be necessary where there are presentation, timing, or entity differences between the budget and the financial statements prepared on the same accounting basis.

- 51. For those entities using the cash basis (or a modified cash or modified accrual basis) of accounting for the presentation of the approved budget and the accrual basis for their financial statements, the major totals presented in the statement of budget and actual comparison will be reconciled to net cash flows from operating activities, net cash flows from investing activities, and net cash flows from financing activities as presented in the cash flow statement prepared in accordance with MPSAS 2, Cash Flow Statements.
- 52. The disclosure of comparative information in respect of the previous period in accordance with the requirements of this Standard is not required.
- 53. This Standard requires a comparison of budget and actual amounts to be included in the financial statements of entities that make publicly available their approved budget(s). It does not require the disclosure of a comparison of actuals of the previous period with the budget of that previous period, nor does it require that the related explanations of differences between the actuals and budget of that previous period be disclosed in the financial statements of the current period.

Effective Date

- 54. An entity shall apply this Standard for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2017. Earlier application is encouraged. If an entity applies this Standard for a period beginning before January 1, 2017, it shall disclose that fact.
- 54A. Paragraph 55 was amended by MPSAS 33, First-time Adoption of Accrual Basis Malaysian Public Sector Accounting Standards (MPSASs), issued in November 2015. An entity shall apply that amendment for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2017. Earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies MPSAS 33, First-time Adoption of Accrual Basis Malaysian Public Sector Accounting Standards (MPSASs), for a period beginning before January 1, 2017, the amendment shall also be applied for that earlier period.
- 54B. Paragraph 26 was amended by Improvements to MPSASs 2023 (MPSASs Improvements due to IPSAS Conceptual Framework for General Purpose Financial Reporting by Public Sector Entities), issued in December 2022. An entity shall apply this amendment for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024. Earlier application is encouraged. If an entity applies the amendment for a period beginning before January 1, 2024 it shall disclose that fact.
- 54C. Paragraph 4 was deleted and paragraphs 3 and 46 were amended by *Improvements to MPSASs 2023 (The Applicability of MPSASs)*, issued in December 2022. An entity shall apply those amendments for annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024. Earlier application is encouraged. If an entity applies the amendments for a period beginning before January 1, 2024, it shall disclose that fact.

55. When an entity adopts the accrual basis MPSASs of accounting as defined in MPSAS 33, First-time Adoption of Accrual Basis Malaysian Public Sector Accounting Standards (MPSASs), for financial reporting purposes subsequent to this effective date, this Standard applies to the entity's annual financial statements covering periods beginning on or after the date of adoption of MPSASs.

Illustrative Examples

These examples accompany, but are not part of, MPSAS 24, Presentation of Budget Information in Financial Statements.

Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts

For Government XX for the Year Ended December 31, 20XX Budget on Cash Basis

(Classification of Payments by Functions)

Note: The budget and the accounting basis is different. This Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts is prepared on the budget basis.

	Budgeted A	mounts	Actual Amounts	*Difference: Final Budge	
C. DM	0.4.41	F*1	on Comparable		
(in RM)	Original	Final	Basis	and Actual	
RECEIPTS					
Taxation	X	X	X	X	
Aid Agreements					
International agencies	X	X	X	X	
Other Grants and Aid	X	X	X	X	
Proceeds: Borrowing	X	X	X	X	
Proceeds: Disposal of plant and equipment	X	X	X	X	
Trading Activities	X	X	X	X	
Other receipts	X	X	X	X	
Total receipts	X	X	X	X	
PAYMENTS					
Health	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Education	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Public order/safety	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Social protection	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Defense	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Housing and community amenities	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Recreational, cultural and religion	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Economic affairs	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Other	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Total payments	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)	X	X	X	X	

The "Difference..." column is not required. However, a comparison between actual and the original or the final budget, clearly identified as appropriate, may be included.

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Additional Column Approach

For Government YY for the Year Ended December 31, 20XX Both Annual Budget And Financial Statements Adopt Accrual Basis (Illustrated only for Statement of Financial Performance. Similar presentation would be adopted for other financial statements.)

Actual 20XX-1	(in RM)	Actual 20XX	Final Budget 20XX	Original Budget 20XX	*Difference: Original Budget and Actual
	Revenue				
X	Taxes	X	X	X	X
X	Fees, fines, penalties, and licenses	X	X	X	X
X	Revenue from exchange transactions	X	X	X	X
X	Transfers from other governments	X	X	X	X
X	Other revenue	X	X	X	X
X	Total revenue	X	X	X	X
	Expenses				
(X)	Wages, salaries, employee benefits	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
(X)	Grants and other transfer payments	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
(X)	Supplies and consumables used	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
(X)	Depreciation/amortization expense	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
(X)	Other expenses	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
(X)	Finance costs		(X)	(X)	(X)
(X)	Total expenses	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
X	Share of surplus of associates	X	X	X	X
X	Surplus/(deficit) for the period	X	X	X	X
	Attributable to:				
X	Owners of the controlling entity	X	X	X	X
X	Non-controlling interest	X	X	X	X
X		X	X	X	X

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^{*} The "Difference..." column is not required. However, a comparison between actual and the original or the final budget, clearly identified as appropriate, may be included.

Extract of Note Disclosures—for Government X

(Government X presents its approved budget on a cash basis and the financial statements on the accrual basis.)

- 1. The budget is approved on a cash basis by functional classification. The approved budget covers the fiscal period from January 1, 20XX to December 31, 20XX, and includes all entities within the general government sector. The general government sector includes all entities identified as government departments in note xx (prepared in accordance with MPSAS 35, Consolidated Financial Statements.)
- 2. The original budget was approved by legislative action on (date), and a supplemental appropriation of XXX for disaster relief support was approved by legislative action on (date) due to the earthquake in the Northern Region on (date). The original budget objectives and policies and subsequent revisions are explained more fully in the Operational Review and Budget Outcomes reports issued in conjunction with the financial statements.
- 3. The excess of actual expenditure over the final budget of 15% (25% over original budget) for the Health function was due to expenditures above the level approved by legislative action in response to the earthquake. There were no other material differences between the final approved budget and the actual amounts.
- 4. The budget and the accounting bases differ. The financial statements for the whole-of-government are prepared on the accrual basis, using a classification based on the nature of expenses in the statement of financial performance. The financial statements are consolidated statements that include all controlled entities, including commercial public sector entities for the fiscal period from January 1, 20XX to December 31, 20XX. The financial statements differ from the budget which is approved on the cash basis and which deals only with the general government sector which excludes commercial public sector entities and certain other non-market government entities and activities.
- 5. The amounts in the financial statements were recast from the accrual basis to the cash basis, and reclassified by functional classification to be on the same basis as the final approved budget. In addition, adjustments to amounts in the financial statements for timing differences associated with the continuing appropriation and differences in the entities covered (commercial public sector entities) were made to express the actual amounts on a comparable basis to the final approved budget. The amount of these adjustments are identified in the following table.
- 6. A reconciliation between the actual amounts on a comparable basis as presented in the Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts and the actual amounts in the Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended December 31, 20XX is presented below. The financial statements and budget documents are prepared for the same period. There is an entity difference: the budget is prepared for the general government sector, and the financial statements consolidate all entities controlled by the government. There is also a basis difference: the budget is prepared on a cash basis and the financial statements on the accrual basis.

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	Operating	Financing	Investing	Total
Actual Amount on Comparable Basis as Presented in the Budget and Actual Comparative Statement	X	X	X	X
Basis Differences	X	X	X	X
Timing Differences	-	-	-	-
Entity Differences	X	X	X	X
Actual Amount in the Statement of Cash Flows	X	X	X	X

⁽This reconciliation could be included on the face of the Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts or as a note disclosure.)

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Encouraged Note Disclosure: Biennial Budget on Cash Basis—For Government B for the Year Ended December 31, 20XX

	Original Biennial Budget Year	Target Budget for 1 st Year	Revised Budget in 1 st Year	1 st Year Actual on Comparable Basis	Balance Available for 2 nd Year	Target Budget for 2 nd Year	Revised Budget in 2 nd Year	2nd Year Actual on Comparable Basis	*Difference: Budget and Actual over Budget
(in RM)	2 0002	2 4412	2 4 112	2 4515	2 0012	2 4 112	2 0442	2 45.5	Period
RECEIPTS									
Taxation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Aid Agreements	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Proceeds: Borrowing	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Proceeds: Disposal of plant and equipment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Trading Activities									
Other receipts	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Total receipts	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
PAYMENTS									
Health	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Education	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Public order and safety	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Social protection	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Defense	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Housing, community amenities	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Recreational, cultural, religion	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

^{*} This column is not required. However, a comparison between actual and the original or the final budget, clearly identified as appropriate, may be included.

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(in RM)	Original Biennial Budget Year	Target Budget for 1 st Year	Revised Budget in 1 st Year	1 st Year Actual on Comparable Basis	Balance Available for 2 nd Year	Target Budget for 2 nd Year	Revised Budget in 2 nd Year	2nd Year Actual on Comparable Basis	*Difference: Budget and Actual over Budget Period
Economic affairs	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Other	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Total payments	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
NET RECEIPTS/ (PAYMENTS)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Comparison with IPSAS 24

MPSAS 24, *Presentation of Budget Information in Financial Statements*, is drawn primarily from IPSAS 24 (2018). There is no significant difference between MPSAS 24 and IPSAS 24.