



BAGONG PILIPINAS



Building **Digital Trust** in Public Finance

Lessons from the Philippines' GovTech Journey

GovTech for More Efficient and
Transparent Public Spending

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HOW GOVERNMENT ACTUALLY WORKS



“Government Is One of the Largest Coordination Systems on Earth”



GOVERNMENT COORDINATES:

- ✓ Revenues
- ✓ Budgets
- ✓ Procurement
- ✓ Payroll
- ✓ Infrastructure
- ✓ Social Services
- ✓ Public Accountability

Public finance is how governments turn **taxes** into **services**.

WHY GOVTECH MATTERS

Better Budget Execution Supports Economic Growth

Effective public finance today builds a stronger economy tomorrow.



GovTech Supports:



Faster Budget Execution



Improved Cash Visibility



Real-Time Reporting



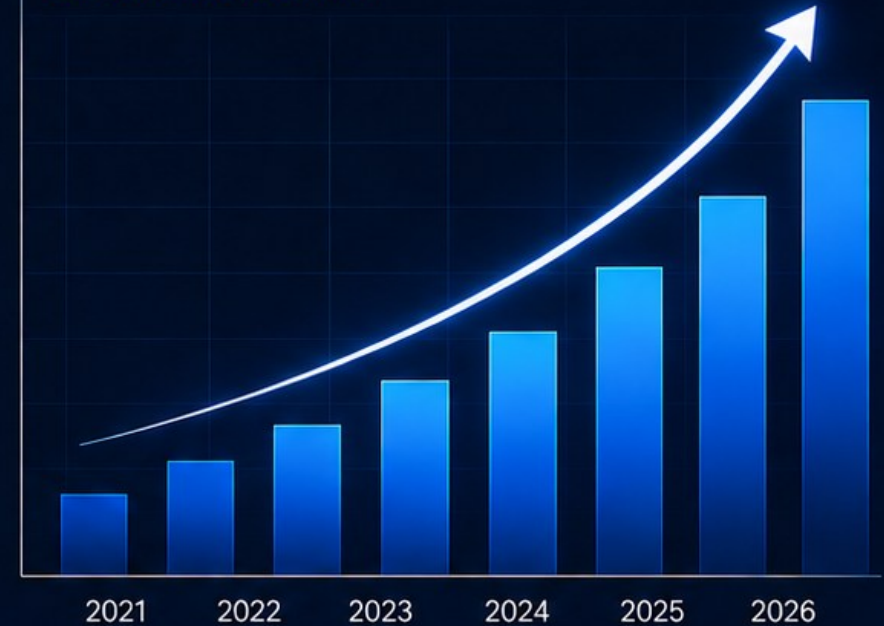
Targeted Spending



Stronger Fiscal Responsiveness



ECONOMIC GROWTH



“ Budgets only matter when they move. ”

THE PHILIPPINE APPROACH

“Digital PFM as Governance Reform”



PHILIPPINE GOVTECH ANCHORS



PFM REFORM
ROADMAP



DIGITAL PFM
REFORM ACTION PLAN



INTEROPERABILITY-FIRST
STRATEGY



GOVERNANCE-DRIVEN
DIGITALIZATION



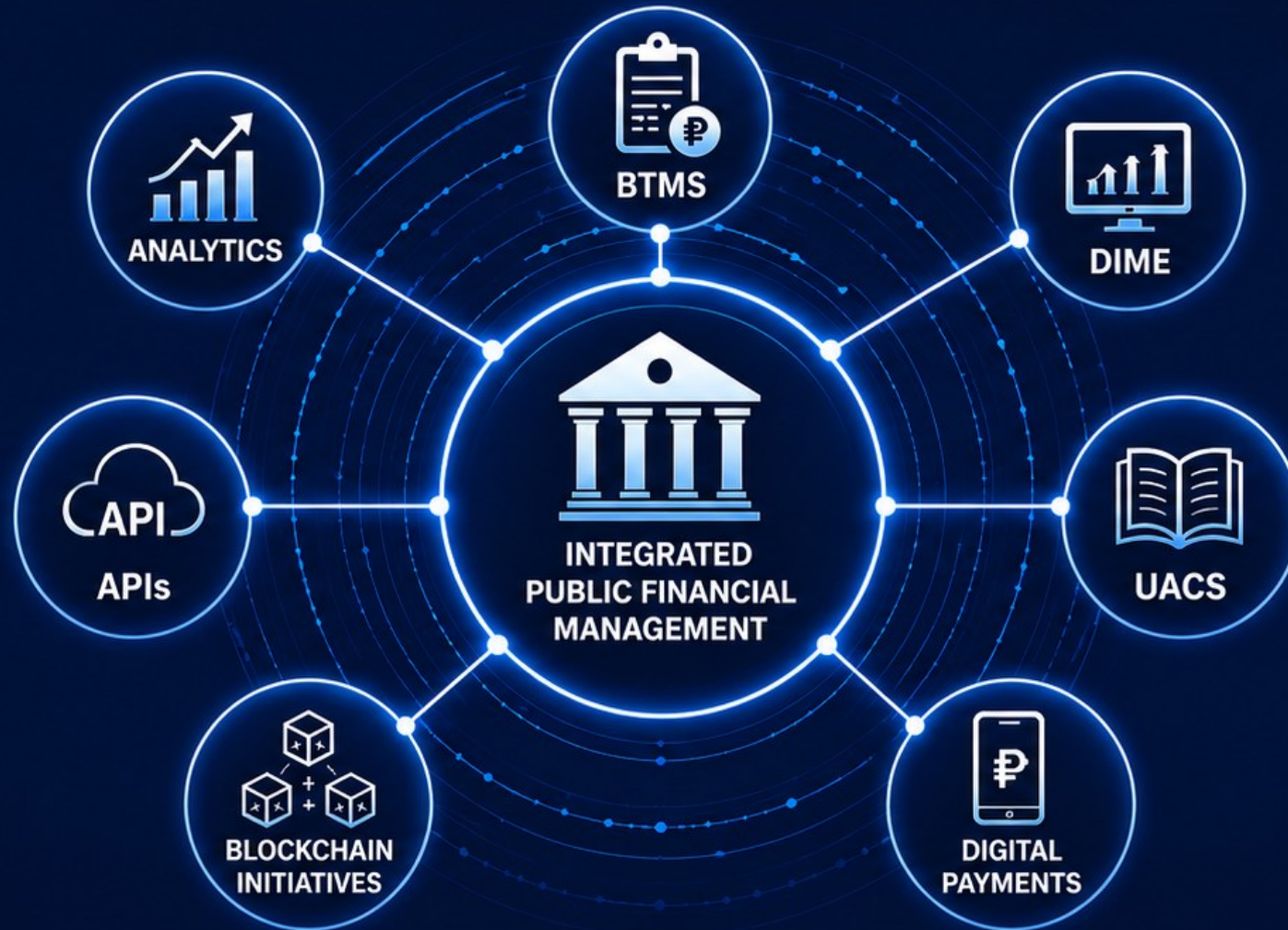
WHOLE-OF-GOVERNMENT
COORDINATION

“ GovTech succeeds when digital transformation becomes governance transformation. ”

THE DIGITAL PFM ECOSYSTEM

“Building an Integrated Fiscal Ecosystem”

PHILIPPINE GOVTECH INITIATIVES



Technology Is the Easier Part

Key Challenges

-  • Change Management
-  • Institutional Coordination
-  • Governance Alignment
-  • Process Harmonization
-  • Organizational Culture

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Connecting systems also means
connecting institutions.
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Data Standards Matter

Key Enablers

- | UACS
- | shared fiscal language
- | interoperability frameworks
- | APIs
- | data governance

Systems cannot interoperate if they speak **different languages.**



TRUST AND THE FUTURE



GovTech Outcomes

-  **TRANSPARENCY**
-  **TRACEABILITY**
-  **ACCOUNTABILITY**
-  **RESPONSIVENESS**
-  **AI-ASSISTED ANALYTICS**
-  **PREDICTIVE GOVERNANCE**



“ GovTech is ultimately about trust. ”

GovTech Is Ultimately About Making Government More Trustworthy

“ Digital transformation is not simply about making government faster. It is about making governance more trustworthy. ”