



BUDGET 2018

India's Biggest Tax Platform

25,00,000+
Individuals

5,00,000+
Businesses

1,50,000+
Tax Professionals



For Salaried Professionals

- Personal income tax slab rates remains the same
- Introduction of Standard deduction of Rs 40,000 for the salaried class (replacing the transport allowance and the miscellaneous medical Reimbursement)
- Education cess now to be called as Health and Education cess and effective rate increased to 4% from 3%
- Introduction of tax on long term capital gains above Rs 1 lakh on sale of equity shares @ 10% without giving the benefit of indexation. Capital gains tax for until 31 January 2018 will be grandfathered
- Short term capital gains to continue to be taxed @ 15%



For Senior Citizens

- No TDS on interest from FD upto Rs 50,000
- Section 80TTB introduced to exempt interest from FDs , Post Office upto RS 50,000
- Exemption under Section 80D upto Rs 50,000 for medical insurance for senior citizens
- Exemption limit for medical expenditure for certain critical illness from raised from Rs 60,000/- in case of senior citizens and from Rs 80,000 in case of very senior citizens, to Rs 1 lakh in respect of all senior citizens, under section 80DDB



Other Highlights

- Reduction in corporate tax rate to 25% for companies having a turnover of Rs 250 crores and less
- Equity Oriented Mutual funds to face a Dividend Distribution Tax @ 10%
- Alternate Minimum Tax (AMT) @ 9% to be levied on non-corporate taxpayers operating in IFSC on par with MAT for corporates
- Cryptocurrencies continued to be considered as not “legal tender”. Government to consider exploring the Blockchain technology
- Introduction of e-assessments to reduce interface between income tax department & taxpayers

