

## Interference of IMF in internal affairs of countries.

IMF interferes in the internal affairs of ~~the~~ borrowing countries. The interference of IMF in internal affairs of countries has been a subject of considerable debate and scrutiny. While IMF's primary goal is to provide financial assistance to countries in need, its conditionality requirements often ~~interferes~~ in domestic policies and governance structures. ~~Govts~~ may be compelled to implement unpopular measures, which can lead to social unrest. For instance, IMF regularly called upon Pakistan in 2023 to implement fiscal tightening measures to curb the current account deficit (CAD), and in response Islamabad agreed to levy an ~~additional levy~~ of Rs. 60 per litre on petrol prices, as well as increased the tax burden on salaried professionals. Moreover, it demands the privatization of state owned Enterprises (SOEs) as part of its conditionality

policies. For example, Pakistan is set to privatise Pakistan International Airline (PIA) by June 2024. In a nutshell, ~~IMF is interfering in internal affairs of countries.~~

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