



## IMF's Special Data Dissemination Standard

According to the [International Monetary Fund's \(IMF\), "Annual Observance Report of the Special Data Dissemination Standard for 2018"](#), India failed to comply with multiple requirements prescribed in the Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS).

- The IMF launched the **SDDS initiative in 1996** to guide members to enhance data transparency and help financial market participants with adequate information to assess the economic situations of individual countries.
- There are over **20 data categories** which IMF considers for this report to capture a nation's economic health including national accounts (**GDP, GNI**), production indices, employment, and central government operations.
- **India subscribed to the SDDS on December 27, 1996.**
- India held that its non-compliance with IMF standards is **one-off event due to technical glitches** in the **National Summary Data Page (NSDP)** web page.
  - **National Summary Data Page (NSDP) provides quick access to a single comprehensive source of economic and financial data.**

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