The Role of Parliament in Budgetary Oversight Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Public Financial Management & Budgeting	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

Effective budgetary oversight is a cornerstone of democratic governance, fiscal accountability, and sustainable development. Parliaments play a critical role in ensuring transparency, efficiency, and integrity in the management of public funds. The Role of Parliament in Budgetary Oversight Training Course equips legislators, parliamentary staff, and policy professionals with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enhance parliamentary oversight, improve budget scrutiny, and promote public financial management (PFM) reforms. By leveraging global best practices, participants will develop expertise in analyzing budgets, monitoring expenditure, evaluating fiscal policies, and ensuring that government spending aligns with national priorities and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

In an era of economic challenges, debt crises, and public demand for accountability, parliaments must strengthen their role in enforcing fiscal discipline, fighting corruption, and promoting inclusive development. This training emphasizes practical learning, case studies, and interactive exercises to build capacity in evidence-based decision-making, performance auditing, policy evaluation, and collaborative stakeholder engagement. By the end of this course, participants will be better positioned to enhance governance, champion transparency, and foster a culture of accountability in public finance management.

Programme Curriculum

The Role of Parliament in Budgetary Oversight Training Course

Introduction

Effective budgetary oversight is a cornerstone of democratic governance, fiscal accountability, and sustainable development. Parliaments play a critical role in ensuring transparency, efficiency, and integrity in the management of public funds. The Role of Parliament in Budgetary Oversight Training Course equips legislators, parliamentary staff, and

policy professionals with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enhance parliamentary oversight, improve budget scrutiny, and promote public financial management (PFM) reforms. By leveraging global best practices, participants will develop expertise in analyzing budgets, monitoring expenditure, evaluating fiscal policies, and ensuring that government spending aligns with national priorities and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

In an era of economic challenges, debt crises, and public demand for accountability, parliaments must strengthen their role in enforcing fiscal discipline, fighting corruption, and promoting inclusive development. This training emphasizes practical learning, case studies, and interactive exercises to build capacity in evidence-based decision-making, performance auditing, policy evaluation, and collaborative stakeholder engagement. By the end of this course, participants will be better positioned to enhance governance, champion transparency, and foster a culture of accountability in public finance management.

Course Objectives

1. Strengthen capacity in budget analysis and fiscal accountability.
2. Enhance knowledge of public financial management (PFM) systems.
3. Promote transparency and integrity in budget oversight.
4. Equip participants with tools for effective parliamentary scrutiny.
5. Strengthen legislative roles in fiscal policy and public expenditure.
6. Foster inclusive participation in budgetary decision-making.
7. Build skills in performance evaluation and auditing processes.
8. Improve parliamentary engagement with civil society and media.
9. Ensure alignment of budgets with SDGs and national priorities.
10. Enhance anti-corruption mechanisms and fiscal discipline.
11. Build capacity for monitoring debt management and borrowing policies.
12. Promote gender-responsive and equitable budget analysis.
13. Develop strategies for effective inter-parliamentary collaboration.

Target Audience

1. Members of Parliament (MPs).
2. Parliamentary committee staff.
3. Government financial oversight officers.
4. Auditors and performance evaluators.
5. Policy analysts and budget researchers.
6. Civil society budget advocacy groups.
7. Development partners and donor representatives.
8. Governance and accountability institutions.

Course Duration: 5 days

Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Parliamentary Budget Oversight

- Understanding the role of parliament in public finance.
- Key principles of budget transparency and accountability.
- Legislative powers and fiscal responsibilities.
- Comparative global practices in parliamentary oversight.
- Challenges and opportunities in budget scrutiny.
- *Case Study: South Africa's Parliamentary Budget Office.*

Module 2: Public Financial Management Systems

- Overview of PFM frameworks and reforms.

- Role of parliaments in enforcing financial discipline.
- Budget formulation, execution, and reporting processes.
- Tools for effective financial scrutiny.
- Enhancing fiscal governance mechanisms.
- *Case Study: Ghana's implementation of PFM reforms.*

Module 3: Budget Analysis and Fiscal Policy Evaluation

- Techniques for analyzing national budgets.
- Evaluating fiscal policies and expenditure priorities.
- Identifying risks and inefficiencies in budget allocations.
- Using data and evidence for budget oversight.
- Strengthening fiscal policy accountability.
- *Case Study: Kenya's Parliamentary Budget Office impact on fiscal policy.*

Module 4: Performance Auditing and Monitoring Expenditure

- Introduction to performance-based budgeting.
- Role of supreme audit institutions and parliaments.
- Evaluating program efficiency and effectiveness.
- Tools for tracking government expenditure.
- Linking performance audits to accountability.
- *Case Study: Uganda's Auditor General performance audit reports.*

Module 5: Debt Management and Borrowing Oversight

- Understanding sovereign debt and fiscal risks.
- Role of parliament in approving borrowing.
- Debt sustainability frameworks.
- Tools for monitoring debt and fiscal indicators.
- Strengthening oversight on public borrowing.
- *Case Study: Nigeria's debt management and parliamentary engagement.*

Module 6: Anti-Corruption and Integrity in Budget Oversight

- Mechanisms for detecting corruption in public spending.
- Strengthening parliamentary committees on integrity.
- Role of civil society and media in anti-corruption.
- Whistleblower protection and transparency laws.
- Building strong accountability frameworks.
- *Case Study: Anti-corruption budget oversight in Tanzania.*

Module 7: Inclusive and Gender-Responsive Budgeting

- Introduction to gender-responsive budgeting.
- Mainstreaming inclusivity in budget decisions.
- Role of parliament in promoting equity.
- Tools for analyzing equity in budget allocation.
- Enhancing stakeholder engagement in budget processes.
- *Case Study: Rwanda's success in gender budgeting.*

Module 8: Strengthening Inter-Parliamentary Collaboration and Public Engagement

- Importance of regional and global parliamentary networks.
- Building coalitions for effective budget oversight.
- Engaging civil society and citizens in budget scrutiny.

- Leveraging media for fiscal transparency.
- Enhancing accountability through collaboration.
- *Case Study: East African Legislative Assembly (EALA) budget oversight role.*

Training Methodology

- Interactive expert-led presentations.
- Group discussions and collaborative workshops.
- Hands-on budget analysis exercises.
- Role-playing simulations of parliamentary debates.
- Real-life case studies and best practice reviews.
- Practical tools for monitoring, evaluation, and reporting.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

Send us an email: info@fineskilltrainingcenter.org or call *+254769199797*

Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000

Ready to enroll or request a customized program? Book online or contact us:

Register Online Now

Email: info@fineskilltrainingcenter.com | Website: www.fineskilltrainingcenter.com