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An Econometric Investigation Into Variation of Net Statedomestic Product Growth Rate Across Indian States in 2017-18

Homang Chetri

Abstract: This paper attempts to understand the regional dimensions of economic growth in India. The goal of equitable economic development is to enable income levels of poorer states to reach the levels of the richer states. For this, the incomes of poorer states must grow faster than those of the rich for a longtime. Inter-state disparities in income levels and growth rates as measured by the coefficient of variation increased over time. If a state sustains high growth in labour-intensive sectors, it is likely to be more successful in creating jobs.

Introduction:

This paper attempts to understand the regional dimensions of economic growth in India. Understanding the causes and nature of differences in levels and growth of income across the regions (countries) is very important because even small differences in the growth rates, if cumulated over a long period of time, may have substantial impact on the standards of living of people [Barro and Sala-i-Martin, 1995]. Further, inequality in any respect gives rise to unequivocal negative effects on subsequent growth and development, and worsens economic, social, and political tension among regions leading tomisallocation of resources (Chowdhury, 2003).

India's GDP growth rate which has been covering around 3.5 per cent is termed as 'Hindu Growth Rate' shifted to above 5 per cent in the 1980's even before the introduction of reforms in the country. The growth rate which has shifted to 8 per cent in recent times has raised several issues. The first issue is about the sustainability of this high rate of growth. The second issue is about the inherent instability in the growth process and to find ways to reduce this instability. The third issue is to reduce the inter-state disparities and also be in the higher growth process. The other issue is to reduce the disparities at the regional level within the state. India in order to sustain its higher growth rate, the major bottlenecks has to be addressed in a phased manner. These are infrastructure, slowdown of agriculture growth, poverty and inequality, financial regulations and corruption free governance.

Objectives: In this study, the main objective is to find out the magnitude of the factors that are affecting NSDP growth rate across Indian state.

Research Methodology:

The data are collected from the secondary sources, mainly NITI Ayog, RBI Handbook of Statistics on Indian States 2000-01 to 2017-2018, Basic Road Statistics of India.

In order to obtain the desire result the linear regression model has been used. The total 12 Indian states have been considered for the study. To perform the statistical analysis Statistical Software SPSS16.00 is used.

Results and discussion

To explain the variation of NSDP Growth rate across Indian States, several factors like NSDP per capita, percentage of manufacturing in NSDP, Roads per 1000 square km, percentage of agriculture in NSDP, Literacy rate and location of states (Mountainous Dummy variable) are considered and the following two model have been formulated-

Multiple Linear Regression Model:

$$Y_{i} = \beta_{0} + \beta_{1} X_{1i} + \beta_{2} X_{2i} + \beta_{3} X_{3i} + \beta_{4} X_{4i} + \beta_{5} X_{5i} + \beta_{6} D_{i} + U_{i}$$
Where,

Dependent variable: Y_i = Net State Domestic Product Growth rate(current Price) of ith state in 2017-18.

Independent variable: X₁₁ = Net State Domestic Product Per Capita current price) of i⁴ state

X_{2i}= Percentage of manufacturing in NSDPof ithstate

X_{3i}= Roads per 1000 square km of of ith state

X_{4i} = Percentage of Agriculture in NSDP of ithstate

X_{5i}= Literacy rate of ithstate

D_i= Location of states (Dummy variable) of ithstate

0= Mountainous State

1= Others

i= No. of state(=1,2,3,....,12)

U=Error term

Coefficient:

 β_0 =mean

 β_1 =Coefficient of NSDP Per Capita of ith state

 β_2 =Coefficient ofpercentage of manufacturing in NSDP of i^{th} state

 β_3 = Coefficient of roads per 1000 square km of of ithstate

 β_4 = Coefficient of percentage of Agriculture in NSDP of ith state

 β_s = Coefficient ofliteracy rate of ith state

 β_6 = Coefficient of state location of ith state

Table1: Description of variables

Variable's Variable symbols		pid Cook	Expected sign of		
symbols	Mean	Descriptive statis	S.D	the coefficient	
NSDP Growth	Y	7.91	7.98	2.25	
NSDP Per Capita	X ₁	39767	37708	15483.7	Section 1990
Manufacturing in NSDP	X ₂	17.87	18.03	10.65	
Road	X ₃	38.93	35.6	14.80	
Agriculture in NSDP	X4	15.34	16.33	5.02	and the second s
Literacy	X5	70.65	69.14	10.67	On the second
State location	D	0.68	1	0.48	-

The mean, median and standard deviation of the variables are tabulated in the table 1. The expected sign of the coefficient are positive except state location.

With SPSS software we got the following result:

Table 2: Results of Regression Analysis (Impact on industrial growth):

Variables/constant	Estimated coefficient	Standard error	t value	Significance level
βο	8.696**	4.161	2.09	.059
$X_{\mathbf{I}}$	-1.998	.000	501	.625
X ₂	.091**	.035	2.586	.024
X ₃	016	.029	-575	.576
X ₄	296**	.114	-2.590	.024
X5	.044	.037	1.188	.258
D	.701	.804	.872	.400
R ²	.744			·
F-statistic (6, 19)	453.876	~		0.000

Source: Econometrics nalysis

Note: ***, ** and * indicates level of significance at 1%, 5% 10% respectively.

In this table, Results of the multiple regression model are tabulated. The R2 value is .744 which means that our independent variables explain 74.4% of the variation in endogenous variable i.e NSDP growth rate. It means the model give good fit. F value indicated overall significance of the fitted model. Here its value is 5.827 which is significant at 0.005 percent. The coefficient of the explanatory variables such as percentage of manufacturing and percentage

of agriculture are .431 and -.660 respectively which are significant at 5% level of significance. The other explanatory variables i.e NSDP PC, Roads, literacy rate, state location (D) are not significant which implies these factors are not significantly impact on NSDP growth rate in Indian states.

Non linear regression or Log linear regression:

To explain the variation of NSDP Growth rate across Indian states, several factors like contribution of manufacturing, length of roads, literacy rate, governance index and states location(dummy variable) are considered and the following Non linear regression model has been formulated -

 $Y_i = \beta_0 P^{\beta 1} M^{\beta 2} R^{\beta 3} A^{\beta 4} L^{\beta 5} e^{\beta 6 Di} e^{Ui}$

Or $\log Y_i = \log \beta 0 + \beta 1 \log P + \beta 2 \log M + \beta 3 \log R + \beta 4 \log A + \beta 5 \log L + \beta 6 \log Di + Ui$

Where, logP = NSDP Per Capita of ith state

logM = Percentage of manufacturing in NSDP of ith State

logR = Roads per 1000 square km of of ith state

logA =Percentage of agriculture in NSDP of ith state

logL = Literacy rate of of ith state

logD = State location (dummy variable) of ith state

where, 0 = Mountainous state, 1 = non mountainous, U = Error term

i = no. of states (1,2,3,4,...,19)

 $\beta 0$ = constant and $\beta 1$, $\beta 2$, $\beta 3$, $\beta 4$, $\beta 5$ and B6 are the respective explanatory variable's coefficient.

Table3: Description of variables

Variable's Name	Variable	Descriptive statistics			Expected sign
V an income of the control of the co	symbols	Mean	Median	S.D	of the coefficient
NSDP Growth Rate	Yi	0.88	0.90	0.13	
NSDP Per pita	X1	4.57	4.58	0.18	
Percentage of Manufacturing in NSDP	X2	1.14	1.26	0.40	1 -
Roads	X3	1.56	1.55	0.19	
Percentage of Agriculture in NSDP	X4	1.15	1.21	0.16	
Literacy rate	X5	1.84	1.83	0.07	
State location	D	0.684211	1	0.48	

The mean, median and standard deviation of the variables are tabulated in the table3. The expected sign of the coefficient are positive except state location.

With SPSS software we got the following result:

Table4: Results of Non Regression Analysis (Impact on NSDP growth rate):

Variables/constant	Estimated coefficient	Standard error	t value	Significance level
βο	.798	.990	.806	426
X ₁	082	.156	523	.436
X ₂	.132***	.045	2.909	.610
X ₃	027	.106	258	.801
X ₄	590***	.167	-3.544	.004
X5	.542*	.289	1.874	.085
D	.049	.040	1.240	.239
R ²	.773			
F-statistic (6, 19)	6.826			0.002

Note: ***, ** and * indicates level of significance at 1%, 5% 10% respectively.

In this table, Results of the log linear regression model are tabulated. The R^2 value is .773 which means that our independent variables explain 77.3% of the variation in endogenous variable i.eNSDP Growth rate. It means the model give a good fit.F value indicated overall significance of the fitted model. Here its value is 6.826 which is significant at 0.01 percent. The constant (β_0) is .798.

The coefficients of Percentage of Manufacturing in NSDP, Percentage of Agriculture in NSDP and Literacy rate are .408, -.745 and .278 which are significant at 1%, 1% and 10% level of significance respectively. The other explanatory variables i.e NSDP Per capita, Roads and state location (D) are not significant which implies these three factors are not significantly impact on NSDP Growth rate in Indian states.

Conclusion:

It can be concluded from the above analysis that the government should take initiatives for economic reforms by giving importance to the factors that has impact on NSDP Per capita in India.

Growth in the different states in india during 1990-2018 was characterised by instability and volatility. The degree of volatility was very high in some states. It would be instructive to extend the analysis to sectoral growth rates and identify the sectors contributing to volatility and instability. Inter-state disparities in income levels and growth rates as measured by the coefficient of variation increased over time. However, the relative positions of many states remained unchanged.

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