



Q6. Consider an economy described by the following functions: $C = 20 + 0.80Y$, $I = 30$, $G = 50$, $TR = 100$ (a) Find the equilibrium level of income and the autonomous expenditure multiplier in the model. (b) If government expenditure increases by 30, what is the impact on equilibrium income? (c) If a lump-sum tax of 30 is added to pay for the increase in government purchases, how will equilibrium income change?

Ans: (a) $C = 20 + 0.80 Y \quad [\bar{C} = 20]$
 $I = 30$

$$c = 0.80$$

$$G = 50$$

$$T = 100$$

Equilibrium level of income

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= \frac{1}{1-c} [\bar{C} + cT + I + G] \\ &= \frac{1}{1-0.80} [20 + 0.80 \times 100 + 30 + 50] \\ &= \frac{1}{0.20} \times 180 \\ &= \frac{180}{0.20} \times 100 \\ &= 900 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Expenditure multiplier} = \frac{1}{1-c}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{1-0.80} = \frac{1}{0.20} \\ &= \frac{100}{20} = 5 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Increase in government expenditure

$$\Delta G = 30$$

New equilibrium expenditure

$$= \frac{1}{1-c} [\bar{C} + cT + I + G + \Delta G]$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-0.80} [20 + 0.80 \times 100 + 30 + 50 + 30]$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-0.80} [20 + 80 + 30 + 50 + 30]$$

$$= \frac{1}{0.20} \times 210$$

$$= \frac{210}{0.20} \times 100$$

$$= 1050$$

Equilibrium level of income increases by 150
(1050 – 900)

(c) Tax multiplier = $\frac{-c}{1-c}$

$$\frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta T} = \frac{-c}{1-c}$$

So,

$$\Delta Y = \frac{-c}{1-c} \times \Delta T$$

$$= \frac{-0.80}{1-0.80} \times 30$$

$$= \frac{-0.80}{0.20} \times 30$$

$$= -120$$

$$\text{New Equilibrium level of income} = Y + \Delta Y$$

$$= 900 + (-120)$$

$$= \text{Rs } 780$$

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