How to Use Open Data for Expense and Revenue Budget

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Open Budget Data for Expense and Revenue

The budget-related expense and revenue table in the Microsoft Excel sheet illustrates expenses and revenue incurred for the account groups of entities under the Ministry from 2014.

- ✓ The data on Expense and Revenue Budget is distributed across the years starting from 2014.
- ✓ The Expense and Revenue Budget incurred by each Ministry for each entity on multiple accounts and locations can be ascertained from the data.
- ✓ The users can apply filters to do a data drill-down.

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