

Top 20 sacred cows

There are too many sacred cows that together make any kind of reform plan impossible. Discarding some, or even all, of these sacred cows is necessary to break the economic vicious cycle.

1

Usage of Gold
(sale, rent, collateral)

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Involve the private sector
in State assets
(privatization, management
contracts, BOT,
and other schemes)

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Stop electricity
production and
tariff subsidies.
Improve bill collection

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Combat contraband
and dodging Customs

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Combat tax evasion

6

Combat all forms
of corruption

7

Fuel and other
subsidies

8

Administrative
modernization
and reform

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Reforming the
National Social
Security Fund

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Confessional nepotism
in the administration

11

Stop subsidizing
private schooling
and hospitalization
for public employees

12

High pension for
top-level employees,
including security
forces

13

Transparency
in contracts

14

Fiscal accounting
on an accrual basis

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Publishing detailed
financial statements
of the Central Bank

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Inventory
State assets

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Recover seashore
and riverside public land

18

Modernize the judicial
system and render it
independent

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Enforce regulations
protecting the
environment
(such as quarries)

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Remove State
and private sector
monopolies