### OVERVIEW OF CDM IN ZIMBABWE & PROCESS FOR ISSUING LETTERS OF APPROVAL

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# **CDM Projects Eligibility**

The Kyoto Protocol stipulates several criteria that CDM projects must satisfy,

- primarily all CDM projects must be approved by the host country.
- lead to sustainable development in host country
- Two critical criteria could be broadly classified as additionality and sustainable development.

# Additionality

- Article 12 of the Protocol states that projects must result in "reductions in emissions that are additional to any that would occur in the absence of the project activity".
- CDM Projects **MUST** result in real, measurable and long-term benefits in terms of climate change

# Sustainable Development (SD)

- Dev that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.
- Calls for balanced outlook btwn the pace of economic development & environmental conservation & discourages activities that could hurt the Environment.
- Primary objective of SD to reduce the absolute poverty of the world's poor through providing lasting & secure livelihoods that minimise resources depletion, environmental degradation, natural disruption & social instability

# **SD Criteria for CDM Projects**

- Social well being (social equity and well-being)
  - Impact on settlements, social structures, alignment with nat govt priorities
- Economic well being
  - Project viability, impact on FDI, current economic activity
- Environmental well being
  - Impact on biodiversity, air pollution, water resources & community access to natural resources
- Technological well being
  - +/-implications for the transfer of technology, impact on local skills development, demonstration and replication

# **Project Screening Procedure**

The project developer or owner has two points of entry into the process:

#### 1. Voluntary Screening

- submission of a brief Project Identification Note (PIN) to the DNA.
- provides the DNA with an opportunity to carry out an initial screening of the project and provide feedback to the developer on the likely performance of the project against approval criteria – issued a letter of No Objection

# **Project Screening Cont...**

#### 2. Mandatory Screening

- projects required to submit of a more detailed description of the project via a Project Development Document in order receive a letter of approval (LoA) from the DNA.
- Assessed based on the SD Criteria including stakeholder consultations – DNA facilitates dialogue to resolve objections where possible
- LoA signed by the Secretary for Environment, Water and Climate

### **Designated National Authority (DNA)**

DNA - an inter-ministerial committee comprising of senior officials in various ministries chaired by the Ministry of Environment, Water and Climate; to

### **Regulatory (mandatory) function:**

Granting approval/refusal to CDM project proposals that pass/fail Zimbabwe's sustainable development criteria & reporting to UNFCCC

### **Promotional function:**

Facilitating communication between investors and project proponents as well as other stakeholders

## Potential CDM Projects for Zim

Project Type	Project Examples
Energy efficiency projects	<ul> <li>Increasing building efficiency;</li> <li>Increasing commercial/industrial energy efficiency;</li> </ul>
Methane recovery	<ul> <li>Animal waste methane recovery and utilization</li> <li>Iandfill methane recovery and Utilization</li> <li>Methane collection and utilization from sewage/industrial waste treatment facilities;</li> </ul>
Transport Sector	<ul> <li>New tech improving vehicle fuel efficiency</li> <li>Switch of transport mode e.g road to rail</li> <li>Reducing the frequency of the transport activity</li> </ul>
Agricultural sector	<ul> <li>Methane reductions in rice cultivation;</li> <li>Energy/water efficiency improvements</li> <li>Reducing animal waste</li> </ul>
Industrial process changes	<ul> <li>industrial process change resulting in the reduction of any category greenhouse gas emissions</li> </ul>

Thank you all !!!