

'Policy backing for Private Sector Investment in Climate change actions'.

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BACKGROUND

- ❑ Private sector is generally motivated by Profit.
- ❑ Profit remains the final end and this is a great motivation for any action and policy which is put in place.
- ❑ This motivation is anchored on the principle of sustainability. We talk of receiving profit sustainably
- ❑ Private sector course/ investments, therefore, may take a long time as long as it will result into achieving the long term goal sustainably.

BACKGROUND

- ❑ PS goal can never be achieved through itself entirely but through the environment
- ❑ The environment includes people and regulators (government)
- ❑ Private sector therefore is very concerned about this environment variable, especially the well being of persons. It is the reason why profit can be generated sustainably.
- ❑ Low carbon emission has been proven to ensure that people sustainably exist in this Planet.

BACKGROUND

- ❑ It is this sustainable existence that helps play the crucial role and motivate the private sector to achieve their goal
- ❑ Private sector, therefore, must support the Low Carbon emission effort .
- ❑ This support requires an enabling terrain well modelled by the Public Sector, through Policy
- ❑ This meeting therefore is a good fit to achieve the PS goal .

Policy issues for consideration.

- ❑ This should result into achieving low emission , especially the mitigation actions in ;
 - ✓ Energy (Renewable & efficiency)
 - ✓ Agriculture adoptability
 - ✓ Forestry
 - ✓ Industry & Transport
- ❑ Policy should provide incentive for PS to participate in a faster manner. In generating part of the 5.7 Trillion USD to be invested in the green infrastructure by 2020.

Policy issues for consideration.

- ❑ Deliberate policy should be made to make private sector be part of the investment, discussions and decision making. Low carbon emission issues seem a bit far away from business.
- ❑ Eg. Make Forestry be a business which can cash in , in the low carbon trade in a guaranteed, easy ,predictable and fair manner to unleash investment available from big and even smaller sources.
- ❑ The above can be escalated to the transport sector , energy efficiency measures , farming methods.

Policy issues for consideration.

- ❑ Tax policy incentives which facilitate support mitigation for low carbon emissions need to be put in place. Especially for improved technologies application. These are in energy sector, agriculture, industry etc. It must create predictability for a long time.
- ❑ Tax policy should be in the various tax categories- Import duty, transactional taxes including (excise duty, VAT or their equivalents) excise duty be removed while prefer them to competing products / services. Income tax be removed or lowered as incentive .

Policy issues for consideration.

- ❑ Tax preference should include technologies , practises and MORE IMPORTANTLY FINANCING SOURCES .
- ❑ FINANCING – Credit / Grants need to be deployed to help share in the risk for investment in these areas
- ❑ Policy for information/awareness: People realisation of the importance of low carbon emission need to be heightened than ever before. This will help them value low emission technologies and practises and this will help create the incentive for them to buy these technologies and services. This is an incentive to investment.

Policy issues for consideration.

- ❑ Public Private Partnership policy should be more favourable in areas which help reduce emissions.
- ❑ Policy for a robust institutional framework which involves private sector to facilitate planning, implementation and monitoring of investment that achieve a better environment in general and low carbon emission need to be put in place.

CONCLUSION

- ❑ Private Sector is bound to support investment in the low carbon emission effort
- ❑ Given that this investment appear still risky and opportunity for investing in other areas appear to be better, there is great need to back policy which will help dampen this risk and create incentive to help make investments in this area.

Thank You



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