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## **Enabling Policy Environments for Climate Finance:**

Scaling-up national systems to meet the climate finance gap



# **2013 LTF Workplan, Pillar II:** Enabling policy environments for climate finance



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In Bonn, Amal-Lee Amin of E3G proposed the following questions to help define LTF workplan for 2013:

- What can we learn from existing uses of climate finance?
- How to choose the appropriate policies & instruments for each context?
- How to identify between challenges in planning, accessing, implementing & monitoring?
- How to focus attention on enabling environments for attracting adaptation finance?
- Can tracking of climate finance be part of an effective enabling environment for climate finance?



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## "If you don't count it, it doesn't matter."

- Ancient Budget Professors' Proverb

### **Climate Public Expenditure & Institutional Review (CPEIR)**



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> Add "climate-relevance" dimensions to analysis

### **CPEIRs:** Towards a climate fiscal framework



- 1. Policy development: How is CC policy formulated & linked to expenditure through
- Link CC priorities with expenditure & taxation decisions through the national budget process
- 2. Institutional structures: What are roles & responsibilities of institutions involved
- Ensure external finances are used effectively alongside domestic resources
- 3. Public financial management: How to quantify &
- Provide a framework to incentivize private investments

# Policy, institutional & expenditure recommendations from CPEIRs

- Link national budget & climate policy
- Coordination by finance & planning ministries critical
- Local government a key channel for climate finance
- Harmonised definition of a "climate expenditure"
- The national budget is key to address climate change
- Relevance of sectors is country specific but local government, transport & water significant
- Too much int'l focus on extra-budgetary climate funds
- "Dirty expenditures" should also be identified & reviewed



### **Expenditures & sources**



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#### Climate relevant expenditures as a proportion of total expenditure & GDP

Country	Headline statistic (as % of budget)	Headline statistic (as % of GDP)	Comments on how data captured
Nepal	6.7 %	1.8%	<ul> <li>Limited to 10 Ministries 'likely to undertake activities relevant to climate change on a functional basis'</li> <li>Does not include 'off-budget' donor support</li> </ul>
Bangladesh	5.5 – 7.2 % (2010/11)	0.9% (2010/11)	<ul> <li>Analysis identified 37 out of 57 ministries or divisions that had climate relevant expenditure</li> <li>Does not include 'off-budget' donor support</li> </ul>
Thailand	2.7 %	0.5%	<ul> <li>14 Ministries 'had a climate programme in the period reviewed'</li> <li>Does not include 'off-budget' donor support</li> </ul>
Cambodia	14.9 – 16.9 %	3.1 - 6.9%	<ul> <li>Analysis of budgeted expenditure covered all Government programmes and projects</li> <li>Includes 'off-budget' donor support</li> </ul>
Samoa	15 %	6 %	<ul> <li>Analysis of budgeted expenditure covered all Government programmes and projects</li> <li>Includes 'off-budget' donor support</li> </ul>

Source: From Bird et al. 2012



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### Few major players with local channels key



Highest climate relevant spending agencies as proportion of total 'climate budget'

### **Domestic vs. external resources**



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### Average proportion of expenditures financed by domestic & external resources over last three years

	Proportion of total ex CPEIR a	·	Proportion of 'climate relevant' expenditure			
	Financed by	Financed by external	Financed by	Financed by external		
	domestic revenues	grants or loans	domestic revenues	grants or loans		
Bangladesh	86%	14%	77%	23%		
Cambodia	33%	67%	13%	87%		
Nepal	73%	27%	44%	56%		
Samoa	68%	32%	41%	59%		

### **Development vs. recurrent expenditures**



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#### Climate % of Development Expenditure 45% 40% 35% 30% 25% Low Relevance 20% ■Mid Relevance 15% High Relevance 10% 5% 0% 2007108 2008/09 2009/20 2010/11/2011/12

**Climate Relevance of Development Expenditure** 

#### **Climate Relevance of Recurrent Expenditure**



Comparison of climate relevance of development vs. recurrent expenditures in Samoa

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### **Foundation of a climate fiscal framework**

Rec	Actions	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Lead Institution	Milestones	Cost (SAT '000)
		1 2 3 4	1234	1234	1234	1234			
	Policy								
R1	Integrate climate into the SDS						EPPU	Cost tables in next SDS	150
	Complete Sector Adaptation Plans						MNRE	SAPs	200
R2	Develop CCPP to supercede NCP						CRICU	Approval of CCP&P	100
	Tag CC spending in CCPP and sector costings						MOF	CC spending table in plans	
R3	Integrate CC into sector plans						MOF	Sector plans	
R4	Convergence of disaster and climate policy	whenever new boost is required			Joint	Policy documents			
R6	Occasional sectoral climate functional reviews			uirea	NCCCT	Funcational Review Report	200		
R7	Building a library of impact studies						CRICU	Studies	200
R8	Integrate climate and development policy						MOF	New SDS	
	Institutions								
R9	Mandate NCCCT for all climate, not just NAPA						Cabinet	Cabinet directive	
R10	Production of CCAMR for CCP&P						CRICU	CCAMR	50
R11	DMO and NECC produce chapters in CCAMR						DMO/NECC	Chapters in CCAMR	50
R12	Cooperation between MNRE and MOF						CRICU/CCU	Quarterly meetings	
R13	Climate Legislation or regulations						MNRE/MOF		
R14	Parliamentary committees to discuss CCAMR						Parliament	Validation of CCAMR	
	Public Finance Management								
	MOF study to define details of NCF						CRICU	NCF study	
R15	Capacity building in CRICU and CCU						CRICU/CCU	Training and recruitment	50
R16	Finalisation of climate finance framework						CRICU		
R18	Revisions to CDC form and guidelines						EPPD	Revised guidelines and form	0
R19	Reactivation of the PSIP						EPPD	TA/CAP for CC table in PSIP	0
R20	Present NCF to High Level Donor Forum						MOF	HLF presentation	0
0.00	Booling of donor funding for NCT				태 등 성 문		CDICU	NCC accounts	

### **CPEIRs: Early lessons learned**



- CPEIRs help to set a baseline against which future expenditures can be measured – NAMAs/NAPs
- Medium-term budget outlook allows for quantitative shift in expenditures over time – Taxes & subsidies
- Quality of expenditures to be improved & monitored while maximising synergies – Mainstream CC in Dev & DRR plans
- International finance should build on domestic finance, catalyse private finance – Country leadership



### Linking CPEIRs to NAMAs, LEDS, sectoral

Plansed that there is alignment of...

- Boundaries
- Disbursement period
- GHG inventory period

...**CPEIRs** can be THE instrument to measure country effectiveness to implement a specific climate



# National Climate Funds: One way to implement CPEIR findings



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Source: Flynn (2011).

### **Examples of NCF Goals**

- **Collect** sources of funds & direct them toward climate change activities that promote national priorities
- **Blend finance** from public, private, multilateral & bilateral sources to maximize a country's ability to advance national climate priorities
- Coordinate country-wide climate change activities to ensure that climate change priorities are effectively implemented
- Strengthen capacities for national ownership & management of climate finance, including for "direct access" to funds



### **Policy & other functions of a NCF**



- Support goal setting and the development of programmatic/sectoral strategies
- Fundraise from multiple sources
- Manage domestic, bilateral & multilateral partnerships
- Provide project approval, QA/QC & support implementation
- Supply policy assurance through safeguards
- Provide financial controls to ensure effective MRV
- Manage performance measurement, including reporting on activities & resources
- Disbursement of funds to subnational & municipal level
- Support knowledge exchange & management

### **Lessons learned from existing NCFs**

- Clearly define the functions of the fund
- Ensure that the objectives are well-defined & practical
- Have realistic expectations of capitalization
- Design a streamlined project cycle
- Undertake stakeholder engagement to identify needs and requirements
- Ensure unambiguous appraisal & performance criteria, including fiduciary standards
- Incorporate design elements that are stable but flexible to adjust over time
- Establish capacity development as a key element of the fund
- NCFs are not a panacea but can help build key capacities



### Conclusions

- Both CPEIRs & NCFs perform significant policy functions for guidance on climate finance
- Encourage a holistic & comprehensive view of climate expenditures
- CPEIRs link climate to budget so climate is part of budget framework & performance measures...
- ...and link budget to climate so climate strategies are prioritised & costed
- Introduce CC tagging to budget & performancebased budgeting
- Align country-specific spending on climate action at all levels of governance





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## Thank you

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### **CPEIRs**:

 Methodological note & Asia-Pacific case studies: <u>www.aideffectiveness/climatechangefinance</u>

### NCFs:

- Blending Climate Finance Through National Climate Funds: A Guidebook for the Design and Establishment of National Funds to Achieve Climate Change Priorities
- NCFs in Asia Lessons Learned with case studies:



