

Jamaica's experience with accessing climate financing with special reference to the Adaptation Fund



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“Financing Low Carbon Climate Resilient Development in the Caribbean - Addressing the Challenges and Creating New Opportunities”

The Policy Framework for Low-Carbon Climate Resilient Development



- **Vision 2030 Jamaica – National Development Plan**

- **Goal 4 Outcome 14: Climate Change Adaptation & Disaster Risk Reduction**
 - 14-1 Improve resilience to all forms of hazards
 - 14-3 Develop measures to adapt to climate change
 - 14-4 Contribute to the effort to reduce global rate of climate change

- **Participation in CCRIF**



- **National Energy Policy 2009- 2030**
 - Energy Security
 - Efficiency and conservation
 - Expanding renewable sources to 20% (30%) by 2030
- **Low Carbon Energy Roadmaps – power sector**
- **National Housing Trust – loans for SWH and panels**



EXPERIENCE IN ACCESSING CLIMATE FINANCING



Why do we need financing?

- Level of exposure + coastal development
- Historical losses average 2% GDP/annum – J\$121b since 2001
- Aging social and economic infrastructure need to be upgraded and retrofitted
 - High public debt burden and limited discretionary expenditures constrain resilience building
 - Development status – reduces accessibility to certain resources



Financing facilities accessed to date

Adaptation

- Global Climate Change Alliance – €4.13
- AF: US\$10m
- PPCR – endorsed US\$25m, applying for additional \$5m
- GEF Strategic Priority on Adaptation - Community-Based Adaptation Global Project
- Global Facility for Disaster Risk Reduction



Financing facilities accessed to date

Mitigation

- IDB/SECCI –TC of US\$.35m used to develop US\$20million public sector energy efficiency prog. to cut consumption by 15%
- IDB, WB, Petro Caribe through the DBJ for MSMEs
- GEF –Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF); Resource Allocation Framework
- USAID EC/LEDS/AILEG – incipient (currently under discussion)



Financing facilities accessed to date

Others

- Some we don't know about because many are still unsure as to specific definition of cc investment
- Some broad development financing not so categorised as cc but has co benefits



How were we able to access funds?



- Responsiveness
- Readiness - organisational; legal framework; capacity; goodwill
- Policy commitment to address cc
 - Vision 2030, MTF
 - Growth Inducement Strategy
 - Energy Policy
 - Budgetary priority & with IDPs
 - Pillar in WB CSP; CCADRR cross cutting theme in IDB etc



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Using Research

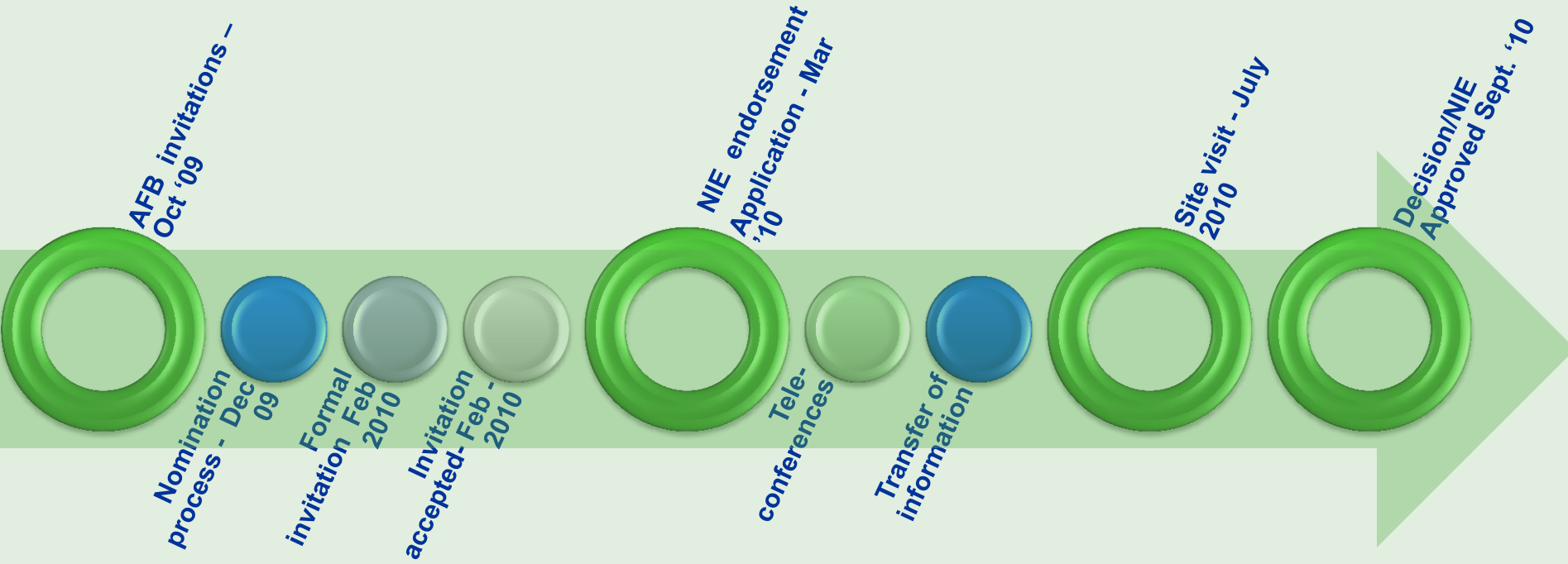
- Climate projections from CSGM
- 2nd National Communication on CC
- Series of studies in areas such as Negril
- Tracked socio-economic impact of storms (long time series)
- Data to support development of projects

Leveraging the Experts



ACCESSING THE ADAPTATION FUND

NIE ENDORSEMENT TIMELINE





Meet Fiduciary Standards

Three broad areas covered to satisfy the criteria:

- Financial integrity and management
- Requisite Institutional Capacity
- Transparency, self-investigative powers, and anti-corruption measures



Demonstrate Institutional Capacity



- Procurement procedures (for transparent practices, competition)
- Capacity to undertake monitoring and evaluation
- Ability to identify, develop and appraise project
- Strong project cycle management
- Competency to manage/oversee execution of programs
 - manage sub-recipients and support project /programme delivery and implementation



Demonstrate Institutional Capacity

- **PIOJ – Government’s interlocutor with the International Development Partners**
- **Accountability in the use of development assistance and government’s budgetary resources**
- **Multi-dimensional - core competencies cover a range of issues** (macro-economy, real sectors, social sectors, external co-operation management & sustainable development)



Demonstrate Institutional Capacity



Documented references provided:

- Accounting Systems & Procedures Manual
- Annual Reports
- Audited Reports & Financial Statement Year for ended December 31, 2008
- Budget Projections for Financial Year 2010 – 2011
- Specimen Detailed Trial Balance for 2009 for a UNDP Project
- Project Summaries:
 - Inner City Basic Services
 - Montego Bay Convention Centre



Demonstrate Institutional Capacity



Documented references provided:

- The PIOJ Act (1984)
- Government of Jamaica Handbook of Public Sector Procurement Procedures
- Contractor General Act
- The Corruption (Prevention) Act 2000



Challenges

- **Process tedious/ intrusive (?)**
- **Process Information Intensive**
- **Lack of documentation of key tried and true practices – suggested non-existence**



Lessons Learnt



- Existing policy and governance frameworks
- Documented information, manuals etc.
- Transparent systems & procedures
- Support of IDPs is important
- Value of organizational goodwill
- Multi-disciplinary approach is beneficial



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