Budgeting for Climate Change – a collaborative approach for effectiveness

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• Objective: Integrate climate finance – domestic and international – in the budget cycle
• Multi-disciplinary response to challenges posed by climate change
• Budget as the main vehicle through which our support takes places
• Ministries of Finance as the key partner
• Project operational in 6 countries in the Asia-Pacific region – Bangladesh, Cambodia, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, and Thailand.
Whole-of-government approach

- Min Finance
- Min of Local Government
- Min of Planning (equiv)
- Min Environment/CC
- Sub-national governments
- Sector Ministries
- Parliament
- CSOs
Long-term effort

- CPEIR
- Climate Change Integration Index (CII)
- Policy briefs
- Civil society
- Parliament

Enabling
- MTEF templates
- Budget proposals
- Budget tracking
- Expenditure Analysis
- Expenditure reporting

Improved CC budget decisions and accountability

CCFF
Integrated Climate Change Financing Framework
Integrated package of services
What about budget effectiveness in CCF?

• The Budget is one of the most significant policy documents, translating political commitments into actions that can be implemented

• Is it effective?
  • Are those investments leading to intended results?
Why can budget effectiveness be a challenge?

- Climate Change Finance is a new area
- Insufficient information
- Mismatch between the demand and supply of information (in terms of content and focus)
- Insufficient capacity – time, resources
Rationale of the regional exchange

• How can this gap be addressed?
• How can there be a match between the demand and supply of climate change finance related information?
• Who should be part of these efforts?
• Is information available in a way that the key policy makers understand it?
• Can the information be used to enable dialogue among key stakeholders, and strengthen public awareness?
• Do relevant actors have the required capacity to use available information to advocate for reform?
Objectives and expected outputs

• Expose participants to the topic of climate change finance and the budget process

• Present and examine case studies from around the region, and beyond as to how countries have engaged on making budgets more effective—whether in the arena of climate change or elsewhere (and what lessons we can learn from those efforts).

Identification of potential areas/topics for collaboration to help enhance budget effectiveness
Thank you.

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