



SUSTAINABLE URBAN TRANSPORT PROJECT

Sensitisation Workshop – GEF-5

A.K. Jain

Former National Project Manager - SUTP

June 16, 2012

STEPS FOR NEW CITIES TO JOIN



Consideration And Approval Of Funding (GEF GRANT OR WB LOAN) broadly go through the following steps, which are aimed at ensuring that the states and the cities (or the implementing organizations) are seriously committed to the project and its objectives and also to address the stipulations by donor bank (WORLD BANK).

1. PROJECT CONCEPT NOTE BY CITY.

- ❖ Must clearly bring out various components of the project with indicative costs and financing.
- ❖ WB would normally consider only such a project that is complete by itself and not a standalone activity.

CONTD..



2. **REVIEW BY WB AND IN PRINCIPLE ACCEPTANCE.**
3. **APPROVAL BY STEERING COMMITTEE, WHERE PLANNING COMMISSION AND DEA (MINISTRY OF FINANCE, GOI) ARE ALSO MEMBERS.**
4. **FORMAL COMMITMENT LETTERS BY CITY AND STATE TO JOIN SUTP.**

To ensure that there is a formal commitment of the state/city towards the proposed project and it's funding and that at least in principle approval of appropriate authorities is available.

3

CONTD..



5. **PREPARATION OF DPR BY CITY/STATE, FOLLOWING WB TEMPLATE.**
This may be preferably done by a competent consultant / expert on the subject.
6. **TRIPARTITE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY, STATE AND MOUD**
 - ❖ This is like an MOU between MoUD and states/cities to agree to follow all the required procedures, including overall supervision by the Steering Committee and MoUD. There may be certain stipulations in regard to some of the reforms enshrined in the National Urban Transport Policy (NUTP).
 - ❖ This agreement stands superseded on finally signing the loan/project agreement.

4

CONTD..



7. STATE TO OBTAIN 'DEBT SUSTAINABILITY CLEARANCE' FROM MOF, GOI.
8. FINAL PROJECT APPRAISAL DOCUMENT PREPARED BY WB AND APPROVAL OF WB BOARD.
9. SIGNING OF LOAN AND GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN WB AND DEA AND PROJECT AGREEMENT BETWEEN STATE AND WB.
10. DEA AND STATES TO PROVIDE LEGAL OPINION ON LEGAL VALIDITY OF RESPECTIVE AGREEMENTS.
11. WB DECLARES LOAN TO BE EFFECTIVE.

5

LESSONS LEARNT FROM SUTP-1 (GEF-4)



1. **MOST IMPORTANT:** The Cities and States must have total commitment towards the project and should not be a half hearted attempt to see if some grant or financing can be obtained. Initiating preparatory work like preparation of detailed plans, tender documents and specifications etc. can be a good demonstration of such commitment.
2. The PIUs must, from the beginning, have a dedicated Project Manger as a single window responsible for all aspects of the project implementation. If necessary a suitable person may be hired for which GEF Grant can be used, if required.

6

CONTD..



3. In order to be sure that a project does not have to be dropped at the last moment, the states may obtain 'Debt Sustainability Clearance' from MOF, GOI at the earliest.

4. **Some Avoidable Confusions:**

- ❖ GEF grant can normally be used only for Technical Assistance (Hiring of Consultants/Experts) and Goods.
- ❖ Financing by WB is in the form of loan and NOT grant.

7



 **SUTP** 
Sustainable Urban Transport Project
(India)

Leaders Program in Urban Transport under GEF-4



OBJECTIVE:

To equip the Transport Professionals with knowledge of integrated strategic planning and Management process.

TARGET PARTICIPANTS:

Senior and mid-level transport professionals, policy makers and planners from National, State and City level Govt.s . Participants from civil society, consultants and faculty from local training institutions can also apply.

9

CONTD..



COURSE STRUCTURE:

- ❖ Self Study- 5 weeks (15th June, 2012)
- ❖ Workshop - 1 week (29th July to 4th August, 2012)
- ❖ Mentoring - 6 months
- ❖ International Study Tour – 8 days

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Minimum 10 years of work experience related to Urban Transport.

10

CONTD..



**PARTICIPATION FEES:
INR 4,00,000 per participant.**

❖ **For govt. officials MoUD will bear all the fees except travel fare to/from the home city to Ahmedabad.**

❖ **The fees covers the cost of boarding and lodging in Ahmedabad and international destinations.**

❖ **It does not cover any travel fare to/from the home city to Ahmedabad and visa processing fees.**

11



Thank You