# Cost-Benefit Analysis (CBAs) in the Pacific

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## 2. This presentation

 What is a CBA?
 Role of CBA in decision making processes
 Potential role of CBA in the NAP process
 Example
 P-CBA Initiative



### Economic analysis functions in government processes:

- Budgetary Planning (Overall national and sectorial)
- Project proposals appraisal and selection
- Investment planning and implementation
- Regulatory frameworks for development control (such as EIA, standards etc.)
- Policy planning and implementation

### Economic analysis in regional processes:



**CBA Work Programme** 



3. CBA What is it?

*Framework* to assess the merits of a project or policy from the perspective of society (not a single individual or firm)

**Essentially involves:** 

 Measuring the gains and losses ('benefits' and 'costs') from a project or activity to the community using money as the measuring rod

 Summing those monetary values of the gains and losses and expressing them as net community gains or losses

	Financial analysis	Economic (CBA) analysis
<b>Definition</b> of "a project"	"the origin of a <b>series of</b> <b>cash flows</b> that take place over different time periods"	"the origin of a <b>series of costs</b> <b>and benefits</b> that take place over different time periods"
Aim of analysis/ questions answered	<ul> <li>What is the series of cash flows each year?</li> <li>What is the overall profit</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What are the costs and benefits each year?</li> <li>What is the <b>overall impact</b></li> </ul>
	to the firm or individual?	"net present value" on society (environment and whole population)?
		<ul> <li>Do different groups in society get affected differently?</li> </ul>
Indicators used	• Profit	<ul> <li>Net <b>Present</b> Value (NPV)</li> <li>Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR)</li> </ul>

## NPV versus BCR





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"how many dollars get in benefits for every dollar spent"

## 4. What it is used for?

1) Decision making before doing project (ex-ante):

How should we implement the project/which activities should we choose to do?

- Which of the possible solutions will give us the best pay off per dollar invested?

- Which will generate the highest value to society once we have paid for it?

- Is the project or activity worthwhile overall?
   Should we invest in this project?
- 2) Project assessment **afterwards** (ex-post):
- Has investing in this project been worthwhile?



### MARSHALL ISLANDS

Water Sector Pilot Demonstration Project

Island Type: Low Lying Atoll Total Pop: Approx 58,800

### Project CBA - example

help chose between alternative solutions/project options or define optimal combination of options

- RMI airport water management
- 0. Do nothing
- 1. Repair distribution pipe
- 2. Reline airport reservoir
- 3. Cover airport reservoirs
- 4. Improve efficiency of airport catchment
- 5. Expand runway catchment
- 6. Increase households with rainwater systems

To ensure and to provide assurance that option is effective/efficient and thus worthwhile investment









## Sensitivity Analysis

Option	Baseline	Demand	Value	Drought	Rainfall	Efficiency	Lifespan	
1	8.78	8.78	9.23	16.89	8.78	8.78	8.59	
2	0.97	0.97	1.01	1.90	0.97	0.97	0.87	
3	15.97	15.97	16.71	33.23	15.97	44.18	15.97	
4a	0.002	0.002	0.031	0.002	-0.013	0.002	0.002	
4b	0.36	0.36	0.60	0.36	0.36	0.82	0.36	
5a	1.98	2.67	3,36	1.98	1.98	0.59	2,33	
5b	0.75	1.45	2.14	0.75	0.75	-0.64	-0.75	
ба	3 38	3 3 8	3 50	8 24	2 71	6.03	3 38	
6b	14 66	14 66	15 40	22.26	12.24	24.20	14.66	
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## Recommendations for \$0.8M PACC Project

- \* First:
  - 1. Fix pipes (even just a portion)
- \* Then:
  - 1. Install evaporation covers
    - \* All tanks (B:C 18.9, NPV \$6.9M; Cost = \$0.39M)
  - 2. Reline
    - \* tank 4 only (B:C 5.2; NPV \$8.6M; Cost = \$0.13M)
  - 3. Repair cracks in existing runway
    - \* (B:C 3.6; NPV \$0.4M; Cost = \$0.14M)
  - 4. Expand airport
    - \* geomembrane (B:C 3.5; NPV \$2.0M; \$0.8M)

# Outcome 2.1: Increased water security in RMI in times of drought through demonstration measures to improving water retention

**Output 2.1** Demonstration project delivered to improve RMI airport water storage system

**Indicator(s):**The reservoir capacity has been increased from 32 million gallons to 36.5 million gallons (approximately 138 million litres). Covers have also been fitted to the tanks, reducing loss from evaporation; Water access (hrs per day in DUD)

### **Results:**

- percentage of water retention in the reservoir increased from 50% to 80%.
- I00% of water retention from the 3 renovated tanks.
- Customer satisfaction with increased access to water from 2-3 hours per day to 8 hours/day
- Water reservoir during drought situation improved from 3-4 weeks to 3-4 months

### Lessons & Practices:

Use legal instruments to consolidate implementation activities MoUs, TORs, Contracts, tender bidding processes, etc Conduct assessments to make informed decisions. e.g V&A, CBA

## 6. A mainstreaming tool?

- Supporting budgetary planning, project appraisal and planning processes
- Possibilities of sectoral analysis
- Clear and transparent way to integrate Climate Change into decicion making process;
- Analyse how CC can affect benefits and costs of our decisions;
- Take into account CC uncertainty using sensitivity analysis;
- Analyse how the impact of a project can affect different strata of the society (Gender and stakeholders analysis).

## **CBA and the NAP process**

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### **Essential Function 6:**

### Appraising adaptation options

to support decision-making on adaptation investment plans and development planning;

#### TABLE 1. STEPS UNDER EACH OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE FORMULATION OF NATIONAL ADAPTATION PLANS, WHICH MAY BE UNDERTAKEN AS APPROPRIATE<sup>a</sup>

#### ELEMENT A, LAY THE GROUNDWORK AND ADDRESS GAPS

- Initiating and launching of the NAP process 1.
- Stocktaking: identifying available information on climate change impacts, vulnerability and adaptation 2. and assessing gaps and needs of the enabling environment for the NAP process
- Addressing capacity gaps and weaknesses in undertaking the NAP process 3.
- Comprehensively and iteratively assessing development needs and climate vulnerabilities 4.

#### ELEMENT B. PREPARATORY ELEMENTS

- Analysing current climate and future climate change scenarios 1.
- Assessing climate vulnerabilities and identifying adaptation options at the sector, subnational, national 2. and other appropriate levels
  - Reviewing and appraising adaptation options ed communicating national adaptation plans.



Integrating climate change adaptation into national and subnational development and sectoral planning

#### **ELEMENT C. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES**

- Prioritizing climate change adaptation in national planning 1.
  - Pevoloping a (long-term) national adaptation implementation attategy
  - Enhancing capacity for planning and implementation of adaptation
- Promoting coordination and synergy at the regional level and with other multilateral environmental 4. agreements

#### ELEMENT D. REPORTING, MONITORING AND REVIEW

- Monitoring the NAP process
- Reviewing the NAR process to access progress, effectiveness and gaps 2.
- Iteratively updating the national adaptation plans 3.
- Outreach on the NAP process and reporting on progress and effectiveness

## **CBA and the NAP process**



## **10. The P-CBA initiative**

### **P-CBA Overview:**

P-CBA is a multi-agency initiative that aims to enable governments to better prioritise, design and implement their projects and policies to more effectively and efficiently achieve development, taking into account climate and disaster risks. Part of global UNDP programme on Economics of Climate Change Adaptation.

### How?

- 1. Planning Meeting;
- 2. In-country trainings (Learning by doing approach);
- 3. Conducting CBA of on-going initiatives;
- 4. Technical Backstopping/Mentoring;
- 5. Integration of CBA into government processes;
- 6. Facilitate Knowlege Sharing on CBA in the Pacifc and between similar regional initiatives.













## **Training Structure**

### Modules available:

-Policy makers course:

0.5 days, overview of CBA and its role in decision making processes Target: senior government officials and policy makrs

-ABC of CBA:

2.5 days, basics of CBA and Excel exercises Target: mid-level government officials

-Workplanning Session:

1-2 days, develop a preliminary CBA to be completed after the course with technical support/mentoring from the P-CBA team.

## **Planning Meeting Outputs**

### **Lessons Learnt**

- 1. Need for a systematic regional approach and tailored incountry trainings,
- 2. Concrete case studies application in support of on-going initiatives and
- 3. Integration of CBA into government processes and sustainability strategies,
- 4. Attach the initiative to a formal institution.



## Sustainability of the initiative

### The role of USP

• Given its existing capacities and its strategic position in the region, countries indicated USP as the key partner for the delivery of P-CBA.



### **Proposed Partnership Agreement:**

- Faculty of Business and Economics: Certification of the trainings and delivery of trainings;
- PACE SD: Revision of training materials on the integration of Climate Change risks;

Integration of CBA trainings in USP summer courses, BSc and MSc

## Schedule 2014

**Currently:** 

- August 2014 Fiji Training. 60 participants, 4 case studies identified: (relocation, flood risk reduction, waste management, road safety).
- October 2014 FSM training. 25 participants 2 case studies identified: (road relocation, water improvement project).
- November 2014- Samoa and Vanuatu training

## Schedule 2015

2015:

- February: Tuvalu, Fiji Follow Up with GCF Readiness Programme
- March June: Tonga, Solomon Islands

Other P-CBA countries (TBC) for training: Kiribati, PNG Additional countries to join: open