



UNCTAD GREEN TRADE PROJECT FOR MSG COUNTRIES

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE:

1. Background on the MSG Green Trade Project and Project Objective
2. Project Activities at national level
3. PNG Development Strategies linked to NTM and Voluntary Sustainability Standards (VSS)
4. NTMs and VSS

1. BACKGROUND & OBJECTIVE OF THE MSG GREEN TRADE PROJECT

- ❑ Official Title : GREEN TRADE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN PACIFIC SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES OF THE MELENESIAN SPEARHEAD GROUP
- ❑ The project is focused on developing green trade promotion as an integral element of the targeted countries' national sustainable development strategies.
- ❑ The main objective is to increase the capacity of government officials of MSG countries (Fiji, PNG, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu) to identify and strengthen synergistic linkages between green trade promotion and their sustainable development in a regionally collaborative manner.
- ❑ The aim of the project is to map out synergistic linkages between green trade promotion and sustainable development policy in the MSG countries. This can be supported by increased transparency in non-tariff measures (NTMs) and the preparedness to voluntary sustainable standards (VSS).

Project Activities at National Level

National Level Activities

Main Objective : Strengthen national synergistic linkages between green trade promotions

Activity 1: NTM Data Collection

Main aim is collecting and publication of trade related regulations plus in-depth analysis of NTMs within the regulations.

Expected benefits:

Publication of trade legislation tab and consequent compliance to WTO agreement, traders and researchers have access to PNG NTM information's, WTO Notification with little extra work

Activity 2 : VSS Assessment

Main aim is to include diagnosis of the challenges of VSS update and the use on the ground

Expected Benefits:

Seeking potential of sustainable standards

PNG DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES AND THE LINK TO NTMS AND VSS

PNG Government Policies on Sustainable Development and Green Inclusive Trade

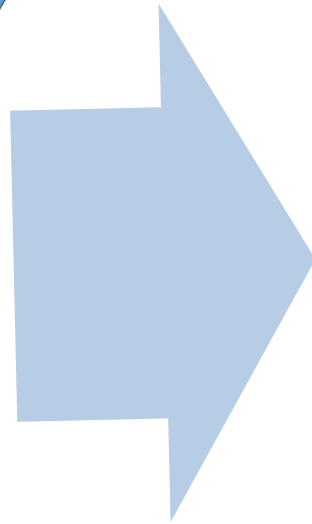
1. Vision 2050
2. Development Strategic Plan 2030
3. Medium Term Development Plan II and III
4. National Strategy for Responsible Sustainable Development

WHY NTMs and VSS?

- ❑ NTMs are policy measures other than ordinary customs tariffs that can potentially have an economic effect on international trade.
- ❑ NTMs cover broad range of policies including traditional trade policy instruments on quotas or price control. NTMs also comprise of technical regulatory measures that pursue non-trade objectives that related to health and environmental protection such as SPS and TBT
- ❑ Standards that specifies requirements for producers, traders, manufacturers and service providers to meet that captures important information on sustainable metrics, human rights, workers health and safety, environmental impacts, production, community relations , land use and planning
- ❑ VSS aims to ensure products and production process comply with a set of social and environmental requirements that are based on the following:
 - International Rules/ Agreements/ Principles/ Conventions
 - Translating the Internally set rules to specific standards for compliance assessment
 - Establish systems to assess conformity with standards and monitoring compliance with standards

NTM Data Collection

- Transparency
- Publication
- Available Information



VSS Measures

- Preparedness to involve in VSS
- Market access
- Signaled sustainable production practices

MAIN AIM:
Green Trade
Promotion and
Sustainable
Development
Policy

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