Air Quality Management in Nepal

27 December, 2013

Presentation Outline

- Issues
- Standards
- Initiatives of MoSTE
- Impact of air pollution
- Air Quality monitoring stations
- Way forward CDM mechanism

Issues

- Rapid Urbanization
- Brick kilns in operation in Kathmandu Valley
- Growing Numbers of Vehicles,
- Traffic Congestion and Increasing Demand of Fossil Fuel
- Industrialization
- Widening of road (dust)







Standards

- Nepal Vehicle Mass Emission Standard (Euro III), 2012
- Vehicle Emission Standards for Green Stickers
- National Ambient Air Quality Standard, 2012
- Brick Kiln Stack Emission Standard, 2008
- Standard for the industrial Boilers, Cement Industries, (2012) etc.

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नेपाल सरकारले वातावरण संरक्षण नियमावली, २०५४ को नियम १४ ले दिएको अधिकार प्रयोग गरी देहाय बमोजिमको वायुको गुणस्तर सम्बन्धी राष्ट्रिय मापदण्ड, २०६९ (National Ambient Air Quality Standard,2012) तोकेको छ।

Parameters	Units	Averaging time	Concentration max	Test Methods
TSP	μg/m³	Annual		
		24-hours*	230	High Volume Sampling and Gravimetric Analysis
PM ₁₀	μg/m³	Annual	-	7 · 1 · 2 · 2 · 2 · 1 · 1 · 1 · 1 · 1 · 1
		24-hours*	120	High Volume Sampler and Gravimetric Analysis, TOEM, Beta Attenuation
Sulfur Dioxide	μg/m³	Annual**	50	Ultraviolet Fluorescence, West and Gaeke Method
		24-hours*	70	Same as annual
Nitrogen Dioxide	μg/m³	Annual	40	Chemiluminescence
		24-hours*	80	Same as annual
Carbon Monoxide	μg/m³	8 hours*	10,000	Non Dispersive Infra Red spectrophotometer (NDIR)
Lead	μg/m³	Annual**	0.5	High Volume Sampling, followed by atomic absorption spectrometry
Benzene	μg/m³	Annual**	5	Gas Chromatographic Technique
PM _{2.5}	μg/m³	24-hours*	40	PM _{2.5} sampling gravimetric analysis
Ozone	$\mu g/m^3$	8-hours*	157	UV spectrophotometer

Initiatives of MoSTE

- 1991 Ban on import of three wheelers
- 1992 Banned entrance of two stroke vehicles in Katmandu valley
- 1995 Introduction of Vehicle Emission Standards & Testing
- 1996 Provision of Financial incentives for electric three wheelers
- 1997 Promulgation of Environment Protection Act & Regulations

Initiatives cont...

- 1999 Ban on Vikrams (diesel 3-wheelers) in Katmandu Valley
- 1999 Ban on import of new 2 stroke vehicles and second hand vehicles
- 2000 –Introduction of Nepal Vehicle Mass Emission Standard (Euro I)
- 2002 Establishment of Ambient Air Quality
 Monitoring System with six permanent stations in Katmandu valley (PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, TSP, NOx, Pb, Benzene

Initiatives cont...

- 2003 Introduction of National ambient air quality standards
- 2004/5 Ban on running of moving Bull Trench Kiln in Katmandu Valley. Promotion of Fixed Chimney and VSBK.
- 2006 Preparation of Action Plan Report on AQM
- 2008 Publication of Air Emission Standards for Brick Kilns in Gazette
- 2012- Up gradation of Vehicular mass emission Standard and national Ambient air Quality standard
- 2012-Standards of Cement industries and Industrial Boilers.
- 2012 ban on Moving BTKs throughout the Nepal

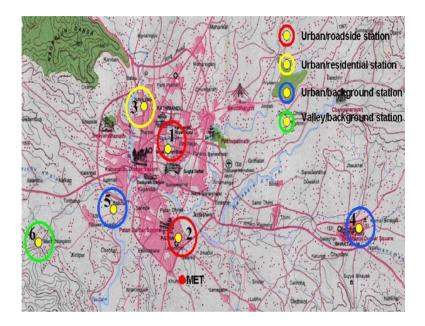
Impacts of Air Pollution

- Impact on Human Health
- Impact on Vegetation
- Impact on Visibility
- Impact of Climate Change

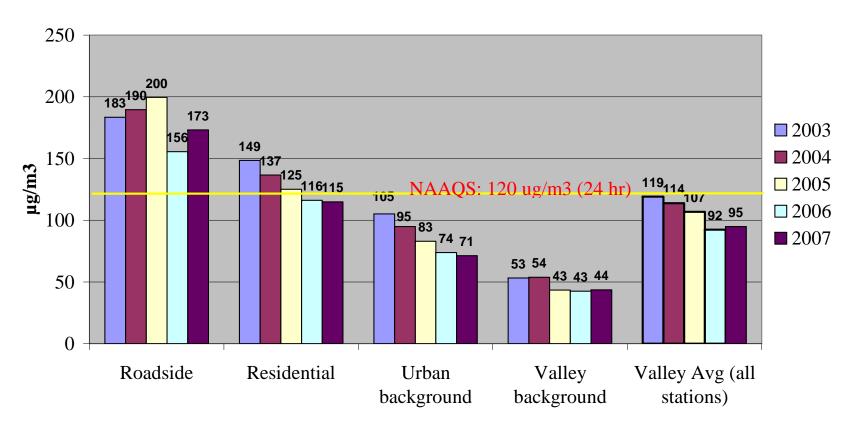
Economic cost associated with air pollution is difficult to calculate, it is multi-dimensional and obviously high

Air Quality Monitoring System,

- Organized effort with 6 stations in the Katmandu Valley.
 - > Putalisadak & Patan (Urban Traffic Roadside station)
 - > Thamel (Residential station)
 - > Bhaktapur & Kirtipur (Urban Background)
 - Matsyagaon (Valley Background)
- Measured Parameters: PM10,



Air Quality Monitoring Data



Source: Ambient Air Quality of Kathmandu Valley, MOEST, 2007

Present Status of Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations

- Three Stations are in operation (Bhaktapur, Putalisadak, and Machhegaun)
- Measured Parameter PM10
- National Standard for PM₁₀ −120 µg/m³
- Pollution level in Machhegaun is within standard and higher in other stations
- Maximum value is in Putalisadak
- Data available in www.moste.gov.np

Program of Department of Environment

- Formulation of Action plan for Air Quality Management, future strategy
- Compliance Monitoring of Brick Kiln Stack Emission/ Vehicle Emission/DG Sets and Emission from other Industries
- Continuation of AQ Monitoring in Katmandu Valley (Installation of modern/real time equipment)
- AQ monitoring out side the valley.

Challenges

- Continuous operation of air quality monitoring station
- Maintaining the rule of law/compliance.
- To regulate the fuel quality for vehicle.
- On road monitoring of the vehicle mass emission.
- Rapid and haphazard urbanization.
- Sustainability of program.
- Public health
- Technical and Institutional capacity

Way forward

- Establishment of Department
 - Planning,
 - Operation,
 - Monitoring,
 - Enforcement
 - Policy formation etc.
- International mechanism
 - CDM mechanism

CDM Projects Approval Process

Stakeholder Meeting 27 Dec, 2013 Kumari Hall

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- Introduction of CDM
- Function and responsibilities of DNA
- Review process and Agencies Involved
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Clean Development Mechanism

<u>Kyoto Protocol (</u>KP)

Text adopted : 11 December 1997, Kyoto

Entry into force : 16 February 2005 (Global)

CDM Provisions

- Article 12 of the KP established the CDM to assist Parties:
- ✓ Not included in Annex 1 "In achieving SD"
- ✓ Included in annex 1 "In achieving compliance with their quantified emission limitation and reduction commitments"

Nepal involvement: process of KP

- Deposition of instrument of accession : 16 Sep. 2005
- ▶ Entry into force in Nepal : 14 Dec. 2005
- Decision on establishment of DNA for KP CDM activities: 22 Dec. 2005, MoSTE functions as DNA for Nepal
- Steering Committee (SC) formed: Apr. 2006

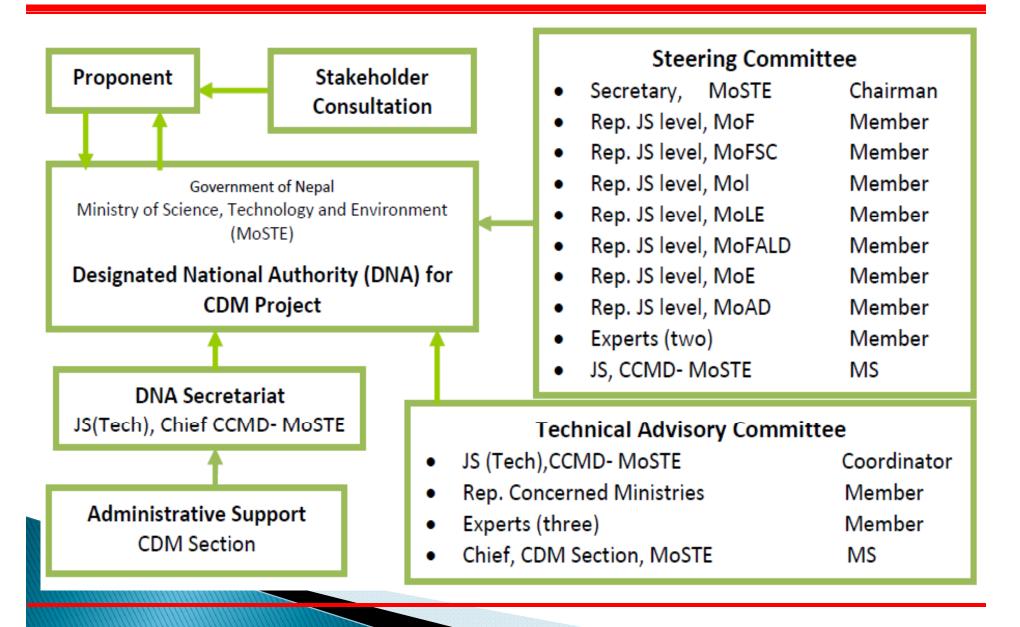
Functions & Responsibilities of the DNA

- Increasing participation of the private sector in CDM projects.
- Facilitating in developing CDM projects.
- Managing and coordinating CDM project activities.
- Providing CDM related information to stakeholders
- Formulating / implementing strategies and policies to propagate CDM projects.
- Organizing capacity building and promotional activities to inform people about CDM.

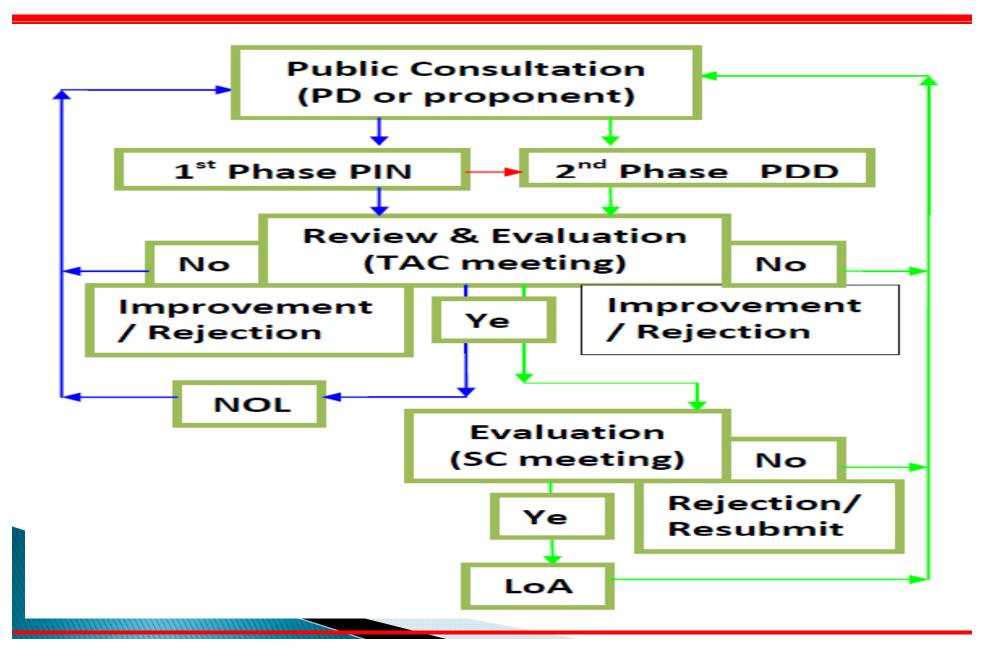
Functions & Responsibilities of the DNA Contd.

- Supporting the preparation of reference data
- Providing comments and inputs of TAC and SC members to PP for improving project report
- Issuing NOL for approved PIN and LoA for approved PDD
- Monitoring and Evaluation of the CDM Projects
- Achieving SD goal through CDM and preparing a status paper on it
- Coordinating capacity building, technology transfer and knowledge management for CDM

Review Process and Agencies Involved



CDM Project Approval Cycle



Sustainable Development Criteria

Environmental

- Environmental sustainability by practicing natural resource conservation or diversification
- Improved health and safety
- Reduction in GHG emissions

Economic

Poverty reduction and increase in livelihood

Social

- Local community participation in the project
- Maintaining social harmony

Sustainable Development Criteria

Technology & Capacity building

- Technology transfer
- Capacity building at local and national level
- Address issue of Intellectual Property Right
- Gender balance and women empowerment

Additional requirements

- ✓ Proofs of consultations, comments and complaints, if any, should be submitted by addressing them during submission of proposal.
- ✓ The Proposed CDM project should comply with existing Law,

 Strategies and Policies

Potential Sectors for CDM Projects

- Decentralized Renewable Energy –
 Micro Hydro, Bio Gas, Solar PV, Improved
 Cook Stoves, Improved Water Mill
- Cement and Brick industry
- Hydropower
- Energy efficiency
- Agriculture
- Forestry

Potential Sectors for CDM Projects

- Use of wasted heat increasing efficiency
- Waste to energy
- Waste water treatment
- Transportation
- Tourism
- Clean Energy technology
- Fuel Switch in industry
- Modification in Production Process

Thank you