Concerns and Challenges in Reducing Energy Use in Existing Buildings

Aalok A. Deshmukh, Architect, LEED AP, CMVP Building Energy Efficiency Specialist

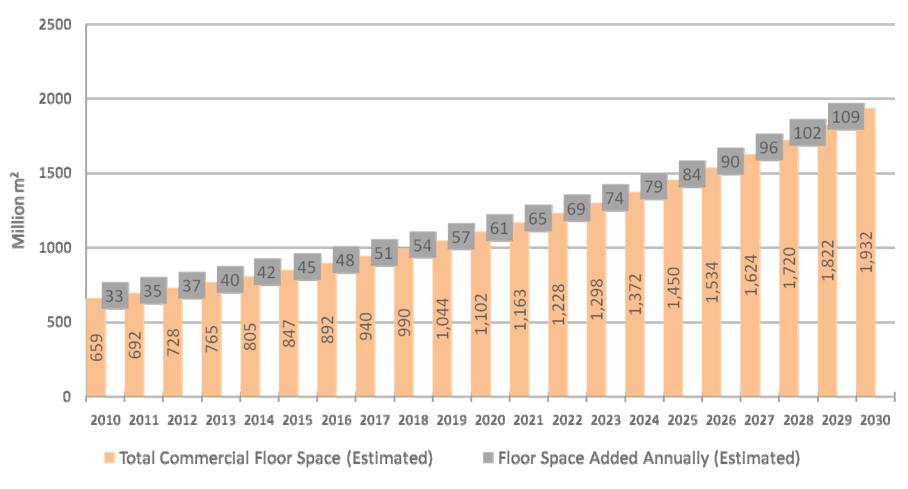
Centre for Science and Environment

Media Briefing Workshop

"Build them Green: Deconstructing the Building Sector in India

June 28, 2012

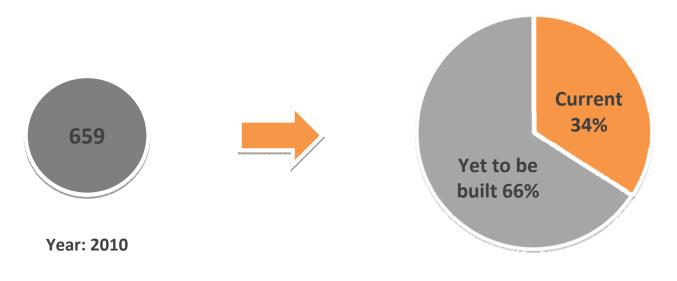
Commercial Buildings Growth Forecast



Commercial Floor Space Projection for India (Assuming 5-6% annual growth)

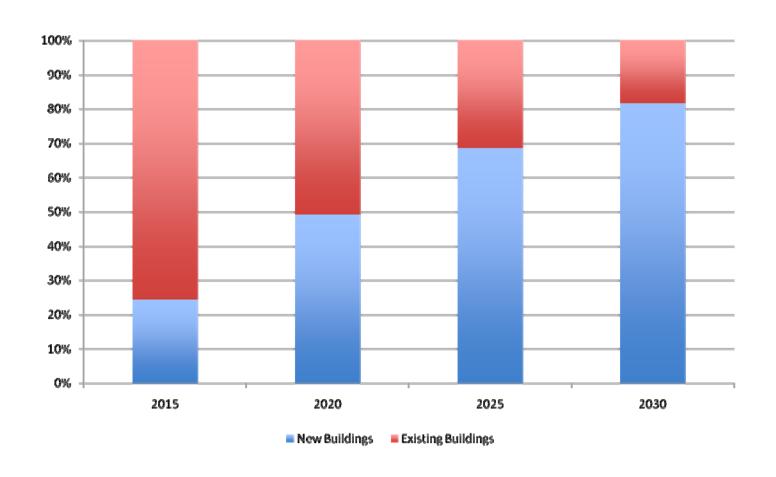
Commercial Buildings Growth Forecast

- Currently, ~ 659 million m² (USAID ECO-III Internal Estimate Using MOSPI, CEA and Benchmarked Energy Use data)
- In 2030,~ 1,900 million m² (estimated)*
 - 66% building stock is yet to be constructed



Year: 2030

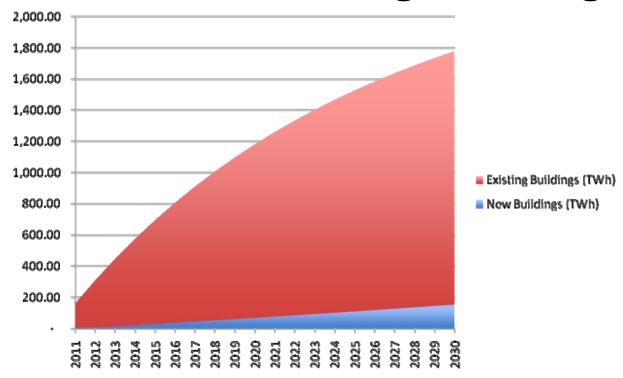
Annual Energy Consumption of New and Existing Buildings in India



Why Existing Buildings?

- Business as Usual Existing Buildings:
 - Energy use intensity ~250 kWh/sq. m.
 - Based on benchmarked data for over 1,000 commercial buildings all over India
- Best Practice (Cost-Effective) New Building:
 - Energy use intensity ~70-80 kWh/sq. m.
 - Actual numbers from Infosys building in Hyderabad

Cumulative Energy Consumption of New and Existing Buildings



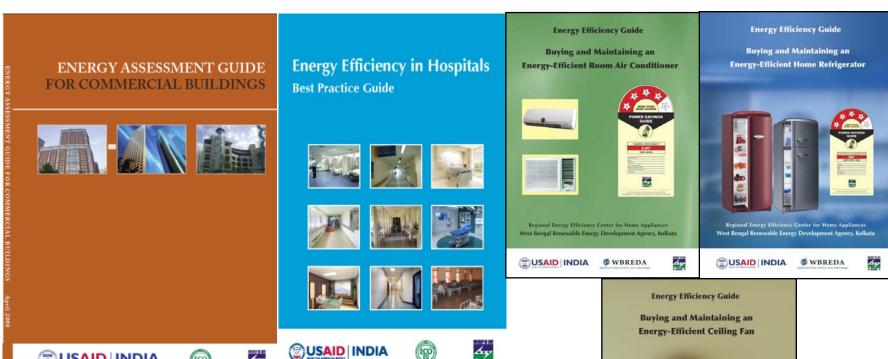
20 years from now, as we look back, 90% of the total electricity used will be in our existing buildings

Electricity consumed annually by existing buildings today is more than the total electricity that will be consumed by all new buildings constructed over the next 20 years

Challenges to Energy Efficiency in Existing Buildings

- How do we start?
- Where do we stand?
- "But this is how we've always done it..."
- Absurd payback expectations 2 year payback (50% ROI)
- Split incentives
- We're trying to save energy, they're trying to:
 - Stay comfortable
 - Raise a family
 - Meet their targets at work
- Energy is invisible saving energy is the absence of use of this invisible energy

Energy Efficiency Guides



West Bengal Renewable Energy Development Agency, Kolkata

■ USAID INDIA

WBREDA

4

SUSAID INDIA

Building Benchmarking and Star Rating Program

- Rating based on actual building performance (Energy Performance Index – kWh/m²/year)
 - Based on preliminary results from BEE/ECO-III benchmarking study
- Launched Star Rating Program for
 - Office Buildings in February 2009
 - Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) Buildings
 in Dec 2009
- Under development
 - Retail Malls
 - Hotels
 - Hospitals



Empire State Building Energy Efficiency Retrofit

- 280,000 sq. m.
- Saves 38% of energy use, with a 3-year payback
- Integrative design yields 2–3x the savings normally cost-effective
- Remanufacturing 6,500 windows onsite into super-windows cuts their winter heat loss by 2/3 and their summer heat gain by 1/2
- That plus better lights and office equipment cut cooling loads by 1/3
- Old chillers can then be reduced and renovated, not replaced and expanded—saving capital that helps pay for the other improvements



The Way Forward – Deep Retrofits

- Up to 40% cost-effective savings possible (70% if you believe some of the latest studies coming of out Europe)
- Timing is everything synchronize EE upgrades with planned replacement cycles
- Right steps in the right order envelope before lighting & equipment before HVAC
- Evaluate bundles / packages of EE measures

Thank You

Aalok A. Deshmukh, Architect, LEED AP, CMVP
Building Energy Efficiency Specialist
ad@aalokdeshmukh.com