



# **Lessons and Experiences from Accessing and Managing Climate Change Resources**

**PNG Experience in Accessing and Coordinating Climate Change Finance**

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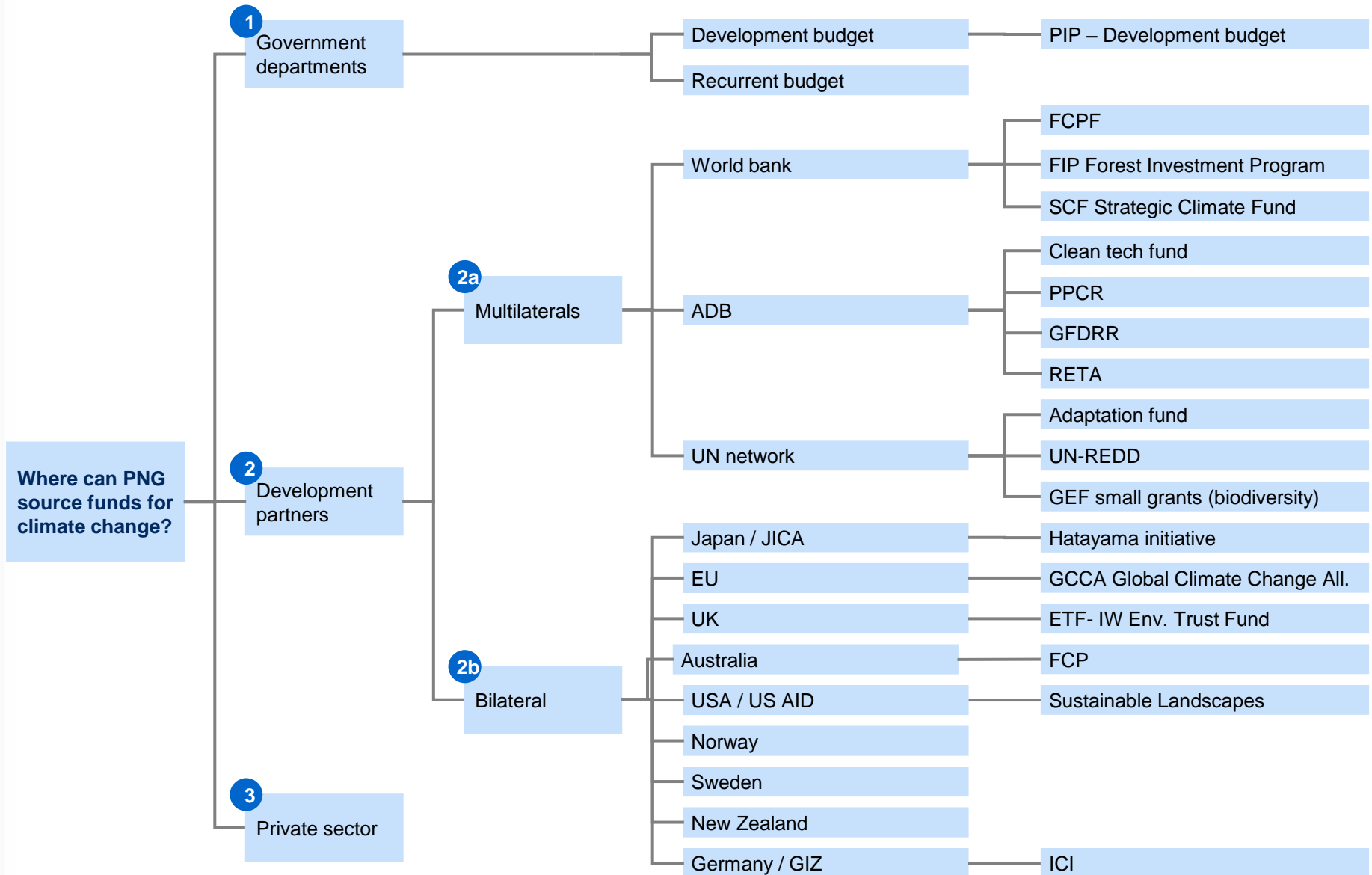
# Background to accessing and managing CC finance for PNG

## We set clear Policy intentions for climate change;

- (i) Climate Change is inseparable from economic development and future prosperity of the people;
- Climate Change to be adopted and incorporated into the national development strategies and plans; (Vision 2050 and National Strategic Plan)
- (iii) New institutions and bureaucratic arrangements to facilitate implementation of climate change actions ;
- (iv) Review of relevant sectoral policies and plans to build in climate change;
- (v) Research and Development
- (vi) Collaborative efforts by stakeholder agencies and inputs from development partners ;
- (vii) Measurement, Reporting and Verification (MRV) and Safeguards developed
- (viii) Pilot projects, demonstration projects and programmes are established and managed by relevant departments and agencies and stakeholders
- **(ix) Financial strategy be developed in tandem with the above stated activities, to request assistance from development partners in building capacity for all aspects of climate-compatible development.**

# Process taken to access climate finance

We identified all possible funding sources for long-term climate change funds;



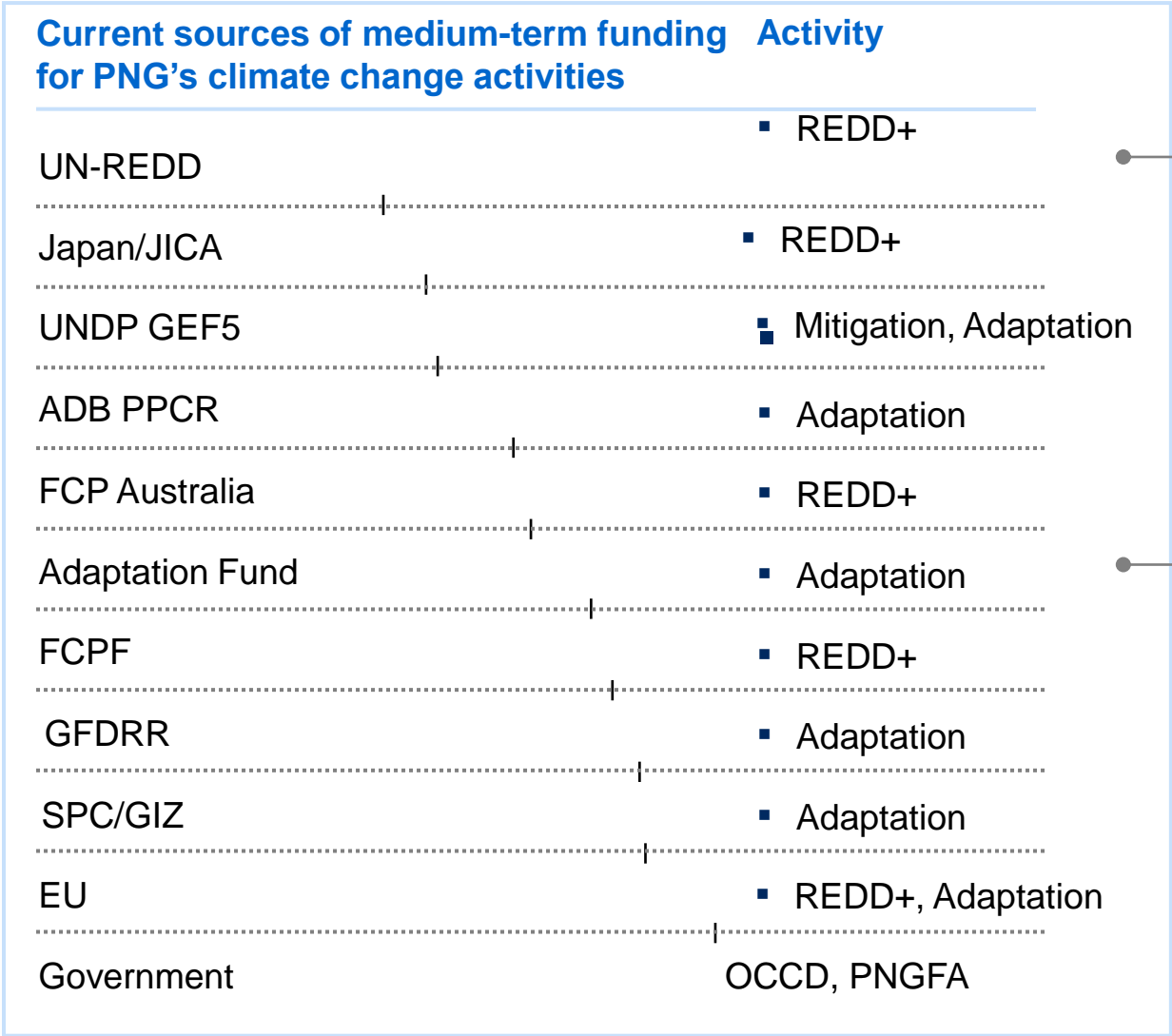
## **We created the CC Development Partners Forum;**

- Met monthly for only 1 year – to support effective draw down of CC funds through DNPM

## **We prioritized our funding needs and sources of funding;**

- Policy and legislation – **Government , Development partners (technical assistance)**
- Institutional arrangements and establishment – **Government**
- National Consultation and Awareness – **Government and Development Partners**
- REDD+ technical Capacities – **Development Partners , Global funds**
- Mitigation and Renewable Energy – **Development Partners, Govt and Private Sector**
- Adaptation Strategies, R&D and projects – **Development Partners, Global Funds**
- Pilot Activities – **Global funds and Government**

# Results/Achievements for accessing and managing CC Funds accessed to date



- **Focus on MRV** to set-up of a internationally accepted monitoring, reporting and verification system
- FAO and UNDP currently hiring support staff
- First disbursement from FAO in August 2011
- **Focus on coastal flooding** protection including Coastal Early Warning System, mangrove planting and seawalls
- 5 pilot provinces

# Adaptation financing

| Development Partner     | Program            | Objective   | Target Area                       | Amount Earmarked |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Adaptation Fund Board   | Adaptation Fund    | Enhance adaptive capacities of communities                                    | 4 provinces on the N. Coast & NI  | US\$6.5m         |
| Climate Investment Fund | PPCR               | To help countries transform to a climate resilient development path.          | All vulnerable sectors            | US\$25m          |
| Australia               | PCCSP              | Designed to develop better understanding                                      | PNG/Region                        | -                |
|                         | PACCSAP            | Airborne LiDAR surveys  | North Coast of PNG                | -                |
|                         | Bi-lateral Program | Support to adaptation activities  | PNG                               | Aus\$2m          |
| World Bank              | GFDRR              | Improve the resilience of Papua New Guinea to the impact of natural disasters | DAL & DoW                         | US\$4.4m         |
| USAID United States     | C-CAP              | Working directly with communities to initiate adaptation projects             | Vulnerable Communities<br>14 PICs | US\$20m          |
|                         | MARSH              | Mangrove Rehabilitation for Sustainably-Managed Healthy Forests               | Mangrove Areas<br><br>MSG (4)     | US\$7.5m         |

# ADAPTATION INITIATIVES

| Project Initiator  | Project                                | Project Objective  | Source of Funds         |
|--------------------|--|--|-------------------------|
| AD - OCCD          | 000's of Mangroves Initiative          | To use the mangrove plants as buffer against coastal flooding in vulnerable communities                | OCCD – Recurrent Budget |
|                    | Mangrove Foundation                    | To use the association as a vehicle to coordinate funding, plant or rehabilitate mangroves             | OCCD                    |
|                    | Mangrove Planting Handbook             | To be used as a guide or manual for those wishing to plant mangroves in vulnerable coastal communities | OCCD                    |
| SPC/GIZ            | CCCPIR – Food Security, Kivori Village | To enable vulnerable communities to become climate resilient   | GIZ                     |
| CC Ambassador      | Counting Footsteps                     | Proceeds from auctioning will go towards financing mangrove initiatives                                | OCCD/PS                 |
| AD - OCCD          | Ice Making Project                     | Access to markets and provide alternative opportunities  | OCCD                    |
| TNC/Pere Villagers | Pacific CC Canoe Voyaging              | Climate change awareness and advocacy in the region  | TNC/AusAID/OCCD         |
| OCCD/WCS           | Dry Stone-walling                      | Used as buffer against coastal flooding & sea surges   | OCCD                    |

## MITIGATION & REDD+ INITIATIVES

| Development Partner           | Program                              | Objective                           | Target Area                                | Amount Earmarked                              |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| UN Agencies (UNDP, FAO, UNEP) | UN-REDD Programme                    | Build capacity on REDD+ Readiness   | National Monitoring System for LULUCF      | US\$6.4m (3 yr)                               |
| World Bank FCPF               | R-PP (REDD Readiness)                | Build capacity on REDD+ Readiness   | Support UN-REDD Programme                  | US\$3.8m (3 yr)                               |
| GIZ/SPC                       | GIZ                                  | Build capacity on REDD+ Readiness   | PNGFA Pilot Project, Central Suau          | ~US\$1m (3 yr)                                |
| USAID                         | LEAF (PNG)                           | Build capacity on REDD+ Readiness   | TNC and Policy                             | ~US\$1m (3 yr)                                |
| GEF (UNDP)                    | Kokoda Initiative<br>Whiteman Ranges | Land-use and Conservation           | Kokoda Track (DEC)<br>Whiteman Range (DEC) | ~US\$13m (GEF5) (3 yr)<br><br>US\$1.7m (3 yr) |
| UNEP                          |                                      | National Communication              | SNC, BUR, NC3                              | US\$135,000 (3 yr)                            |
| Australia                     | Community based REDD+ projects       | Build capacity on REDD+ Readiness   | Manus, Madang                              | US\$1.833m (2 yr)                             |
| JICA                          |                                      | Build capacity on REDD+ Readiness   | PNGFA capacity building on NFI             | US\$14m (3 yr)                                |
| EU                            | NFI                                  | Build Capacity and multipurpose NFI | PNGFA                                      | Euro10 m(3yr)                                 |



## Challenges and Some lessons learned

- Accessing climate financing is very challenging, ability to continue to access funding limited, procedures different for every donor
- Constant dialogue with development partners is essential to accessing finance, however was not effective in accessing funding, most sourced without direct Forum process
- Having clear policy direction and strategies for addressing climate change
- Stakeholder engagement and consultation improves coordination of finance from global, to national and sub-national
- Each funding source has their own rules and procedures for accessing funds and for implementation
- Nationally driven funding proposals/initiatives can be more successful
- Effective institutional arrangements and manpower are important to support funding access and coordination.

## Way Forward

- Improve institutional capacity to seek and apply for funds – creation of Projects branch in OCCD.
- Improve national coordination and sustainability of climate finance by creation of trust fund mechanism.
- Approve policy and legal framework to create trust fund (Climate Change Management Bill)
- Improve sub- national capacity to access and coordinate climate change activities.



## Thank you

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