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Making sustainable development a part of all government policy and operations

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“Maurice Ile Durable is essentially a vision that seeks to transform the environmental, economic and social landscape of Mauritius”

Dr. The Honourable Navinchandra Ramgoolam, Prime Minister - 01 December 2010

SD means encouraging economic growth while protecting our environment/ecology and improving our quality of life – all without affecting the ability of future generations to do the same.

- 1. July 2011 – 6 consultative Working Groups met in 24 Consultative Workshops**
- 2. August 2011 – 6 reports containing recommendations**
- 3. February 2012 – Mott MacDonald started its assignment**
- 4. 20 Steering Committees at the MOESD**
- 5. 16 Strategic Committee meetings at the PMO (All chairs are members)**
- 6. 14 June 2013 – Cabinet approved the MID Policy, Strategy and Action Plan.**

24 Working Groups meeting at La Canelle



Réunions publiques – 5 municipalités et 4 conseils de district



National Vision



NATIONAL MAURICE ILE DURABLE VISION

To make Mauritius a model of
sustainable development

We commit to mainstream sustainable development
with particular focus on:

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“These will complement several projects and initiatives at various stages of implementation since I launched MID in 2008”

Whilst the policy formulation process was on-going;

207 MID related projects and initiatives either completed or on-going as at 14 June 2013.

Examples:-

1. Setting up of a sustainability Index on the Stock Exchange of Mauritius
2. Taxation of vehicles based on CO2 emissions instead of engine capacity
3. ECOTV programmed on television-co-sponsored with the private sector
4. About 170 families and business already producing electricity and exporting same to the grid
5. Development of Ethanol Framework together with other stake holders
6. MID Clubs in secondary schools and this is being replicated. Clubs for senior citizens.

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More that 40 Cabinet decisions related to MID to date, e.g.

- **CABINET DECISION OF 22 MARCH 2013**

Cabinet has taken note of the preparation of an Ecological Agriculture Action Plan in line with the concept of an “Ile Maurice Durable”. The project aims at gradually reducing the use of conventional pesticides on food crop plantations and replacing them by bio-pesticides which are less toxic with a view to making Mauritius an agro-ecology country.

- **CABINET DECISION OF 2 AUGUST 2013**

“Cabinet has taken note that, under the Maurice Ile Durable Policy, Strategy and Action Plan, the contribution of renewable energy, i.e., Hydro, Bagasse, Wind, Photovoltaic, Landfill Gas-to-Energy and Small Scale Distributed Generation, is estimated at 23.4% of total energy generation in 2014 and to reach 35% in 2025.”

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“The Plan of Action also seeks to enhance the competitiveness of Mauritius on the international scene as well as seeking intra-generational equity locally. Sustainability can be achieved through innovative ideas and inter-active participation. The citizen must always be at the centre of the sustainable management of our country. We shall all be held accountable to generations to come.”

In a nutshell

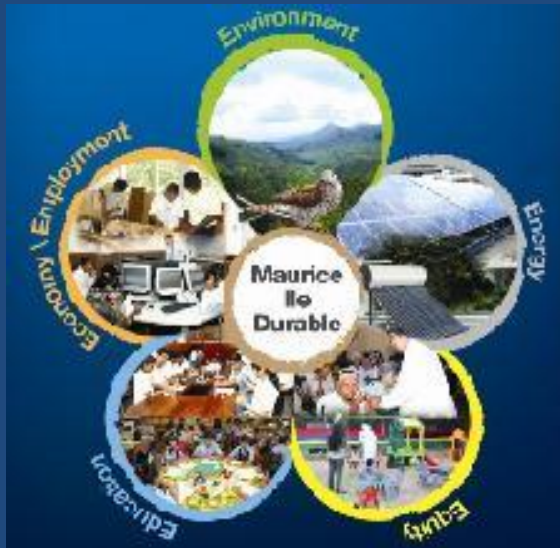
1. **600 recommendations from Civil Society**
2. **Transformed into 138 Actions - 35 policies across the 5Es and 15 overarching policies on interdisciplinary issues have been developed.**
e.g Overarching Policy O6 Land Use: To optimise land use through an effective and efficient land use planning process.(links to Environment policy B1).

B1 Land Use and the Environment: To ensure that sustainable land use planning takes proper account of land use impacts on the environment and efficient use of scarce land resources and public transport system.

Rationale: Land use is an important central element of MID, which affects all five Es.

3. **Set target across the 5Es**

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“The plan provides indigenous solutions based on best international practices through a bottom-up participatory process”

The MID PSAP is to be delivered through 4 main programmes;

1. Green Economy
2. Ocean Economy
3. Cleaner, Greener and Pollution Free Mauritius
4. Energy

MID TARGETS

Energy

Achieve the national target of 35% renewable energy by 2025.

Reduce energy consumption in non-residential and public sector buildings by 10% by 2020.

Environment

Meet the environmental sustainability targets of the Millennium Development Goals.

Reduce the ecological footprint to be in the upper quartile of performance of similar income nations, by 2020.

Employment/Economy

Increase the percentage of green jobs, from 6.3% in 2010, to 10% by 2020.

Maintain or improve position in the World Economic Forum's International Competitiveness Index.

Education

Achieve 100% MID literacy by 2020.

Be an internationally recognized knowledge hub for sustainable development in the region by 2020.

Equity

Improve the position of the Republic of Mauritius in the World Poverty Index.

Improve current status in the Gini coefficient of income inequality.

Integration is at the heart of MID



19 July 2013
Meeting with Focal Points in Ministries
Implementation of the MID PSAP

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28 August 2013

Meeting with Head of Ministries

Making MID the overarching agenda of Government's Policies, Projects and Operations

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“As we chart our way to become a model of sustainable development, especially among the Small Island Developing States, it is imperative that the concepts and norms underpinning MID be fully integrated into all our policies”

MID Compliance

(sustainability appraisal)

- Filters policies, strategies and action plans and establishes whether there are significant environmental, intergenerational and social impacts.
- It may be conducted when first considering an issue or throughout the policy development process.
- Shows policymakers whether or not the options are compatible with sustainable development.

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Monitoring and Evaluation

- MID Realization Indicators will be used to track progress of the MID PSAP on national well-being, the economy, and the environment.
- A MID Realization Index will be developed that monitors the macro-level goals of sustainable development progress
- The MID PSAP proposes to develop a set of indicators to measure and report on progress.

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“MID will be implemented through a dynamic process in a participative and democratic manner, reflecting the aspirations of the population and creating a strong sense of ownership of the process”

Institutional setup

- **MID Commission**
 - (i) coordinate and monitor the plan to ensure its timely implementation
 - (ii) provide policy advice to government
 - (iii) advise government on, and enforce MID Compliance.
 - (iv) Manage MID Fund
- **MOESD will continue to collaborate with the MID Commission.**
- **MID Strategic Committee (Private sector, civil society organizations and academia)**
 - (i) advise the MID Commission on emerging sustainability and compliance issues.
 - (ii) MID Strategic Committee - avenue for incorporating the concerns of the private sector, Civil Society and NGOs into development issues.

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Implementing the MID PSAP

- Need to integrate the MID PSAP in the Ministries' PBB 2014-2016 for implementation
- MID Team is assisting Ministries in this task which includes checking the costing and identifying funds required over the next PBB 2014-2016
- Ministries identified the officers concerned for the MID Team to work with

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- > **Ministries and departments are responsible for making sure that their own policies and activities contribute to SD**
- > **Decision-making processes should effectively integrate both LT and ST economic, environmental, social and equitable considerations.**
- **M/ Lands**
 - Coordinated approach so as to ensure compliance to the land use strategy
- **M/Agro industry**
 - Promote food security through sustainable agricultural practices and conservation of bio-diversity
- **M/Public infrastructure**
 - Improve equity of access to public infrastructure

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- **M/Environment**

Cleaner, Greener and Pollution Free Mauritius

- **M/Industry**

Promote eco-friendly practices such as the efficient use of water, energy, raw materials and encourage industry to reduce emissions to the environment

- **M/Local Government**

Waste management 2013- 2019 and beyond 2019.(Planning ahead)

- **M/Fisheries**

Halt the degradation of the lagoons/ sustainable fishing

- **M/Education and Tertiary Education**

Strengthen capacity through knowledge and facilitate technology transfer to support the development of coordinated research and innovation

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- **M/Social Security**

Develop capacity for welfare and protection services for the elderly, socially disadvantaged groups and disabled people

- **M/Tourism**

Develop and implement an eco-tourism strategy.

- **M/Civil Service**

Develop capacity building programmes and awareness-raising programmes for public sector employees, including decision-makers, on sustainable development.

All civil servants will be given training in SD

Extension officers (who work closely with the public) from the M/Agro-Industry, M/Health, M/Fisheries, CAB officers will be trained in SD issues.

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- **M/ Social Integration**

Improve coordinated access to social services using a one-stop-shop approach
Provision of green social housing (solar water heater) and plumbing works, rainwater harvesting, composter, false ceilings

- **M/Gender**

Develop capacity for welfare and protection services for children, women and Families

- **M/ICT**

Develop a green ICT Policy

- **M/Youth**

Equip and prepare the young to become responsible citizens.

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- **M/Labour**

Include a 'green' job policy in the National Employment Policy

- **M/Biz**

Encourage and nurture more innovative green enterprises

- **PMO**

PMO is leading and coordinating strategies and policies to the effective implementation of new industries under the Blue Economy

- **M/Culture**

Develop a culture policy that would underscore culture's intrinsic contribution to sustainable development (increase economic contribution and alleviate poverty)

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- **M/Finance and ED**

Sustainable Public Procurement (linked to Green Economy Programme and Equity objectives)

Use of CSR funds for environmental projects

- **M/Health**

Improve and protect the health and wellbeing of all Mauritians by providing a high quality and safe environment to live and work in

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