

POLICY MATRIX

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Macroeconomic Stability			
General Macroeconomic Framework is stable	MOF	(i) Macroeconomic framework is consistent with the objectives of the program and with policy letter.	(i) Macroeconomic framework is consistent with the objectives of the program and with policy letter.
I. Policy and Institutional Framework			
I.a. Support the mainstreaming of climate change into national policies and institutions	MHE	(i) National Climate Change Policy approved by Cabinet, which provides guidance for the development of an administrative and legislative framework, for the pursuit of a low carbon development path through strategies for implementation and integration of sectoral and cross-sectoral adaptation and mitigation measures, and actions in education, awareness, capacity building, institutional strengthening, information and data sharing and financing.	(i) Strategy and action plan for the National Climate Change Policy approved by MHE and under implementation. It will include: a. Identification of key legislative, policy and regulatory reforms and changes to institutional arrangements to facilitate the implementation of National Climate Change Policy. b. Proposal developed for institutional strengthening of the Designated National Authority (DNA) under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
	MHE	(ii) National Protected Areas Policy approved by Cabinet, which will provide guidelines for the selection, designation and management of protected areas in Trinidad and Tobago, and includes strategies for the conservation of natural heritage and ecosystem diversity and for restoration and enhancement of ecosystems that provide important ecological services, such as carbon sequestration and resilience to climate risks.	(ii) Action plan for legislative and institutional arrangements to implement the Forest and Protected Areas Policies approved by MHE and under implementation with key elements to include: a. Revised National Parks and Other Protected Areas legislation presented to Parliament for consideration. b. New forest resources legislation presented to Parliament for consideration c. Conservation of wildlife legislation presented to Parliament for consideration. d. Legislation presented to Parliament for consideration to establish the Forests and Protected Areas Authority.

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I.a. Support the mainstreaming of climate change into national policies and institutions	MHE	(iii) National Forest Policy approved by Cabinet, which provides a wide set of policies to guide the sustainable management of forest resources. The policy outlines a series of strategies, which include maintaining and enhancing the ecological processes to provide important ecosystem services in terms of climate regulation, contribution to increase carbon sinks and to biodiversity, and in protecting land vulnerable to natural disasters.	
	MHE	(iv) Multilateral Environmental Agreements - climate change focal points' designations approved by Cabinet for the following key ministries related to: energy, agriculture, water, planning, transport and finance.	(iii) Multilateral Environmental Agreements/climate change focal points designated and approved by Cabinet within remaining Government ministries.
	MHE		(iv) Second National Communication submitted to United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) by MHE.
	MHE + MTI		(v) National Building Code and action plan that incorporates considerations for adaptation and mitigation to climate change, (including the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency) approved by Bureau of Standards, Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI)
	MHE	(v) Proposal for the development of a Green Government Policy that provides guidance to incorporate climate change mitigation and adaptation measures into government operations, approved by Cabinet.	(vi) Green Government Policy and action plan that incorporates climate change considerations approved by Cabinet.
	MHE	(vi) Committee of ministers on climate change comprising of key ministers with portfolios related to climate change, approved by Cabinet to monitor the coordination of related activities of the national climate change agenda.	

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	MHE	(vii) The legal framework on the Green Fund amended to allow non-profit organizations and community groups to access finance to implement climate change related projects.	
	MHE	(viii) Strategic Action Plan (SAP) 2010-2014 for the Environmental Management Authority (EMA) approved by Cabinet, which includes the development of a communications, education and public awareness strategy on climate change, in alignment with the National Climate Change Policy.	
	MHE	(ix) Placement of the Institute of Marine Affairs under the aegis of the MHE by the Office of Prime Minister, to help guide process of the development of an integrated coastal zone management program.	
	MHE		(vii) NIE (National Implementing Entity) accredited by the Adaptation Fund of Board of the UNFCCC to facilitate access to the Adaptation Fund.
	MHE		(viii) National Environmental Policy (NEP) revised and approved by Cabinet to reflect the integration of climate change, forests and protected area policies issues as appropriate.
	MHE		(ix) National Physical Development Plan that incorporates climate resilience reviewed and approved by Cabinet
II. Support for Adaptation			
II.a. Develop and promote instruments to assess and reduce vulnerability and risks associated	MHE+MPE	(i) National Planning Task Force established by Ministry of Planning and the Economy to review and update the Planning and Development of Land Bill (PDLB) that would include measures for the sustainability of communities and the design and location of physical infrastructure.	(i) Planning and Development of Land Bill (PDLB) that would include measures for the sustainability of communities and the design and location of physical infrastructure presented to Parliament for consideration.

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with climate change	MHE	<p>(ii) Proposal to develop an Integrated Coastal Zone Management Policy (ICZM) framework, strategies and action plan that incorporates climate change adaptation approved by Cabinet. The ICZM should include actions on land use planning, economic and market based incentives, research, monitoring and mapping and public awareness.</p> <p>(iii) Steering Committee comprising of members from various governmental agencies and departments, established for the development of Integrated Coastal Zone Management Policy framework, strategies and action plan. The Steering Committee should be comprised of least the Ministry of Housing and Environment, Institute of Marine Affairs, Environmental Management Authority, Ministry of Energy and Energy Affairs, Ministry of Planning and the Economy, Fisheries Division and Tobago House of Assembly.</p>	<p>(ii) Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) Policy developed by MHE and approved by Cabinet that incorporates climate change considerations.</p> <p>(iii) Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) Plan for Tobago developed in consultation with the Tobago House of Assembly (THA) that addresses the particular vulnerabilities of Tobago to the impacts of climate change.</p> <p>(iv) Legislative, regulatory and institutional arrangements related to the management of the coastal zone reviewed and recommendations approved by Cabinet.</p>
	MHE		<p>(v) Vulnerability assessments commissioned by MHE completed on agriculture, human settlements and infrastructure and coastal zones as outlined in the National Climate Change Policy.</p> <p>(vi) Vulnerability assessments incorporated into strategic planning documents for agriculture, human settlements and infrastructure and coastal zones.</p> <p>(vii) National disaster risk evaluation which develops a profile of disaster risk at the national level completed by Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management and accepted by the Inter-ministerial Committee on Disaster Management.</p>

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			(viii) Policies related to agriculture, human settlements and infrastructure and coastal zones as identified in the National Climate Change Policy revised so as to integrate climate change adaptation, approved by Cabinet.
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III. Support for Carbon Reduction			
	MHE/EMA	(i) Carbon sequestration project implemented to demonstrate a strategy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions using the reforestation of a wetland system.	(i) Feasibility study on carbon capture and storage (CCS) completed and recommendations for implementation accepted by MHE. (ii) National carbon reduction strategy for energy, transportation, power generation and industrial sectors with intervention options completed and approved by Cabinet. (iii) Policies relevant to energy, transportation, power generation and industrial sectors revised and approved by Cabinet to incorporate climate change mitigation considerations.
	MHE	(ii) Identification by MHE of potential Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) projects.	(iv) Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Portfolio developed by MHE for implementation of climate change mitigation projects.
	MHE/EMA	(iii) Draft Air Pollution Rules (APR) developed by the Environmental Management Authority (EMA) and submitted to Chief Parliamentary Counsel within the Office of the Attorney General.	(v) Air Pollution Rules approved by Cabinet and presented to Parliament for consideration. (vi) Air Pollution Rules amended to include GHG emissions and approved by Cabinet.
	MHE+MEEA		(vii) Assessment of the carbon footprint of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (NGC) completed and

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			<p>recommendations to reduce carbon footprint accepted by NGC.</p> <p>(viii) Proposals developed for the reduction of the carbon footprint of facilities of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (NGC) accepted by NGC.</p>