

## POLICY MATRIX REVIEWED BY MEWR

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			Parliament for consideration to establish the Forests and Protected Areas Authority.			
I.a. Support the mainstreaming of climate change into national policies and institutions	MEWR	(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.	<b>COMPLETED</b>			
	MEWR	(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.	<b>COMPLETED</b>	Letters were sent to all Government Ministries and Chambers of Commerce, Statutory Bodies, NGOs, CBOs in Trinidad and Tobago (January 2012 – May 2012)  Confirmed one hundred and twenty four (124) focal points thus far and hosted a workshop in September 19 <sup>th</sup> 2012 to familiarize focal points with MEAs to which	The MEA focal point network presently comprise of:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eight (8) Chamber members</li> <li>• Five (5) Tobago House of Assembly representatives</li> <li>• Seventy three (73) representatives from Ministries and Government</li> </ul>

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					Trinidad and Tobago are signatory	Agencies  • Thirty eight (38) members from the Non – Governmental Organisation
	MEWR	(v)	(iv) Second National Communication submitted to United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) by MEWR.	COMPLETED	Second National Communication approved by Cabinet (May 2013)	
	MEWR + MTI	(vi) Drafting of national Building Code initiated by Trinidad and Tobago Bureau of Standards, Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) that will include considerations for adaptation and mitigation to climate change. The climate change considerations will include the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency.	(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 Cabinet.	ONGOING Cabinet appointed a multi - sectoral committee to develop the building code	Action Plan and Budget prepared – awaiting approval Ministry of Planning and Sustainable Development has mandated that this committee completes its work with a degree of urgency.	
	MEWR	(vii) Proposal for the development of a Green Government Policy that provides guidance to incorporate climate change mitigation and adaptation measures, submitted to Cabinet.	(vi) Green Government Policy and action plan that incorporates climate change considerations approved by Cabinet.	COMPLETED		Green Government Policy Document is available

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	MEWR	(viii) 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.	COMPLETED			
	MEWR	(ix) 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.	COMPLETED			
	MEWR	(x) 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.	COMPLETED			
	MEWR	(xi) Placement of the Institute of Marine Affairs under the aegis of the MEWR by the Office of Prime Minister, to	COMPLETED			

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		help guide process of the development of an integrated coastal zone management program.				
	MEWR		(vii) NIE (National Implementing Entity) accredited by the Adaptation Fund of Board of the UNFCCC to facilitate access to the Adaptation Fund.	ONGOING	Cabinet Minute 2540 of September 2012 approved the nomination of a NIE for accreditation to the Adaptation Fund Board.  The Designated Authority will be the PS of MEWR.  Institute of Marine Affairs is currently completing application forms to the Adaptation Fund Board	
	MEWR		(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.	ONGOING		The board can advise that there is a need for the revision of the NEP. The Minister can also advise that a revision is to be done.
	MEWR		(ix) National Physical Development Plan that incorporates climate resilience reviewed and approved by Cabinet	IDB to follow up	The first draft of the National Spatial Development Strategy (NSDS) was delivered by Globe Consultants and presented to the Minister, NPTF and the Development Planning Steering Committee (DPSC). Globe's	

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					final version of the NSDS is expected to be delivered 28/03/13. It will then be taken for public consultations (hearing) sometime in April before it is carried to Parliament to be approved.	
<b>II. Support for Adaptation</b>						
II.a. Develop and promote instruments to assess and reduce vulnerability and risks associated with climate change	MPSD	(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.	IDB to follow up	PADL has been redubbed PAFD i.e. the Planning and Facilitation of Development Bill. It is currently in Pre LRC – the Chief Parliamentary Counsel is reviewing the Bill along with the Members of the National Planning Task Force, the Assistant Director, TCPD and Ms. Julien from the Legal Dept. The Bill is expected to be laid in Parliament in April/ May 2013	Draft approved by Cabinet-pre LRC and CPC
	MEWR	(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,	(ii) Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) Policy developed by MEWR and approved by Cabinet that incorporates climate change considerations.  (iii) Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) Plan for Tobago developed in	<b>ONGOING</b>	Preparation of first draft of ICZM Policy to incorporate climate change considerations.  ICZM committee meetings have been taking place and it is anticipated that the work of the committee will be completed in 2 years	To be discussed with IMA by IDB

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		<p>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 Sustainable Development, Fisheries Division and Tobago House of Assembly.</p>	<p>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>		<p>Thematic groups have been identified and include:</p> <p>Economic and Social Development</p> <p>Natural Resources Assessment</p> <p>Public Education, Awareness and Outreach</p> <p>Vulnerability Assessment/Adaptation to Climate Change Impacts</p> <p>This committee meets once per month and has had four meetings since May 2012 and expects to complete its work by April 2014.</p> <p>A committee meeting will be held before the end of March 2013.</p>	
	MEWR		(v) Vulnerability assessments commissioned by MEWR completed on agriculture, human settlements and infrastructure and coastal zones as outlined in the National Climate Change Policy.	ONGOING	<b>Terms of Reference developed</b>	TOR developed but the project has not commenced

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			<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> <p>(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.</p>			
	MEWR		<p>(ix) National strategy on climate change adaptation developed by MEWR and approved by Cabinet.</p>		Strategy to be developed by MEWR	Hinged on the outputs of the vulnerability studies

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<b>III. Support for Carbon Reduction</b>						
	MEWR/EMA	(i) Carbon sequestration project implemented to demonstrate a strategy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions using the reforestation of wetland system.	(i) Feasibility study on carbon capture and storage (CCS) completed and recommendations for implementation accepted by MEWR.  (ii) 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.	<b>ONGOING</b>	TOR and contract to be approved by IDB. Proposal received based on draft TOR. Final report is received December 2012  Terms of Reference for all three consultancies are completed and approved.  i. Policy Review and Strategy Development  ii. Institutional Strengthening  iii. Development of Implementation Framework  Procurement for Policy Review Output is being carried out via UNDP Procurement and was awarded in June 2013. Kick off meeting on July 03rd.	
	MEWR	(ii) Implementation of a mitigation program through the identification by MEWR of potential Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) projects.	(iv) Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Portfolio developed by MEWR for implementation of climate change mitigation projects.	<b>ONGOING</b>	Project Idea Notes (PINs) to be developed by project proponents. Received a PIN from Petrotrin for methane capture. Project approved on December 26, 2012.  PIN received from Methanol Holdings and is being reviewed by Ministry	

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	MEWR/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.	ONGOING	Air Pollution Rules (2012) and the Air Pollution (fees) Regulations (2012) approved by Cabinet in January 2013. They will be subsequently laid in Parliament.	
		(iv) Assessment of the carbon footprint of the Petroleum Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (PETROTRIN) completed and recommendations to reduce carbon footprint accepted by PETROTRIN.	(i) Proposals developed for the reduction of the carbon footprint of facilities of the Petroleum Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (PETROTRIN) accepted by PETROTRIN.	COMPLETED		