Strategic Approach in Mobilising Finance to Implement Ambitious NDC targets

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Outline

- Updating NDCs of Belize
- NDC Implementation Tools
- NDC Investment Requirements
- Strategic Approach to Climate Finance



Introduction

- Belize CARICOM member and a small developing state
- Highly vulnerable to negative impacts of climate change
 - Frequent and intensified droughts, floods & storms are forecasted
- Party to the UNFCCC & its Paris Agreement
 - First NDC submitted in 2016
 - NDC updated in 2021



NDC Updating process in Belize

 Belize's NDC updating process has been supported by a number of partners under the Climate Action Enhancement Package (CAEP) led by the NDC Partnership





















Updated NDCs of Belize

- Demonstrates Belize's commitment to enhancing climate ambition.
- Higher ambition levels are demonstrated through following enhancements:
 - Expanded sectoral targets
 - Increased ambition in existing targets
 - Expanded coverage of gases covered in targets to include N2O & Methane in AFOLU interventions
 - Further specification of targets including addition of time frames, quantified emissions reductions and other outcomes
 - Increased transparency in the development of targets
 - Detail on the financing, M&E of actions included in the NDC



Updated NDC of Belize – Sectors

- Mitigation
 - Land use change and forestry
 - Energy
 - Waste management

- Adaptation
 - Coastal zone and marine resources
 - Agriculture
 - Fisheries and aquaculture
 - Human health
 - Tourism
 - Forestry and biodiversity
 - Land use, human settlements and infrastructure
 - Water resources



NDC Updating Process

Inputs to NDCs

- Policy
 Landscape
 Study
- 2. Gap Analysis
- 3. Priority Actions Report
- 4. Resource Requirement

Updated NDC Targets



NDC Implementation

NDC Implementation Tools

- NDC
 Implementation
 Plan
- 2. Climate Finance Landscape
- 3. Climate Finance
 Strategy
- 4. MRV System



Climate Finance & NDC Implementation

- Climate Finance is a critical factor in NDC Implementation
- Directly corelated to the level of ambition
- Total cost (Est.) of Belize's updated NDC implementation is estimated as US\$ 1.9bn
- Investment gap (Est.) –US\$ 1.6bn

Sector	Total cost estimate USD millions	Estimated funding gap USD millions
Mitigation actions		
Land use change and forestry	595	542
Agriculture	41	10
Energy	624	617
Waste management	327	317
Subtotal (mitigation)	1,588	1,487
Adaptation actions		
Coastal and marine resources	35	12
Agriculture	113	72
Water resources	25	11
Tourism	36	17
Fisheries and aquaculture	13	0.8
Human health	13	8
Land use, human settlements and infrastructure	83	38
Subtotal (adaptation)	318	158.8
Total	1,906	1,645.8

Source: Resource Requirements Report – The summary cost of Draft NDCs, Vivid Economics, November 2020.

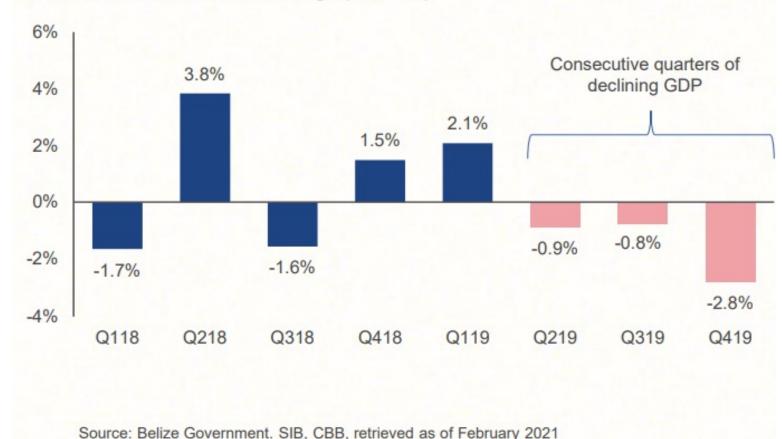


Importance of Climate Finance

- Belize is a developing small state with a small economy
- External financial support is critical and vital in implementing the updated NDCs.
- Climate change impacts could worsen climate investment status
- In 2019, Belize economy was adversely affected with climate induced drought
- Covid19 Pandemic exerted additional pressure on the economy soon afterwards

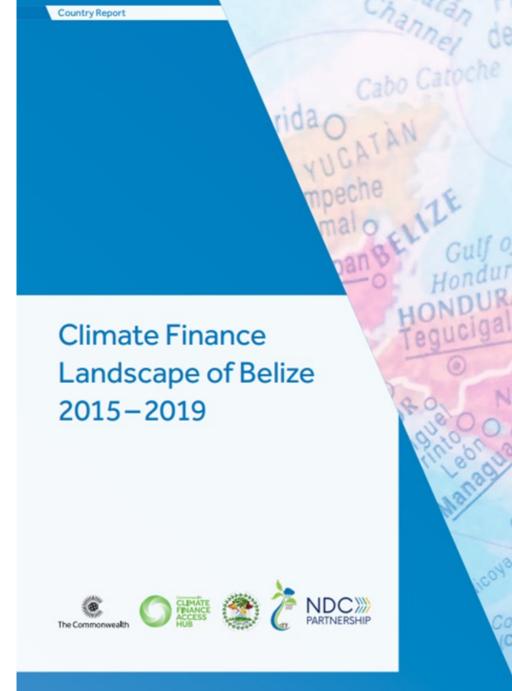
The economic impact of the drought caused Belize to enter into a recession

Quarter on Quarter GDP % change (Nominal)



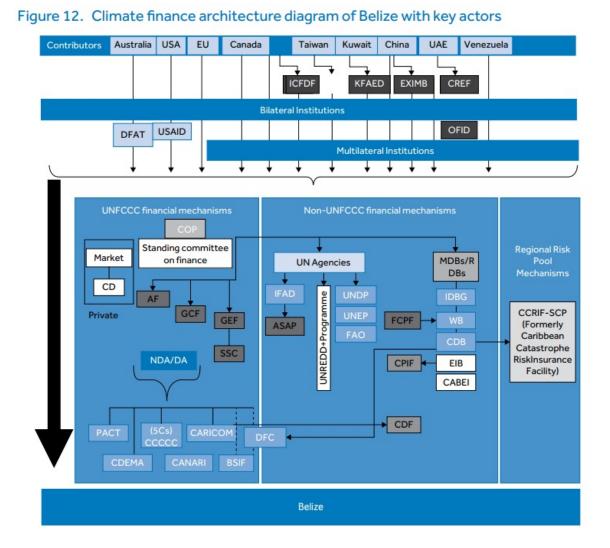
Climate Finance Landscape Study

- A comprehensive assessment on the status quo of climate investments
- Analysis of
 - Sources
 - Channels
 - Instruments
 - Amounts
 - Strengths
 - Challenges
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- Precursor for the Climate Finance Strategy



Strategic Approach toward Climate Finance

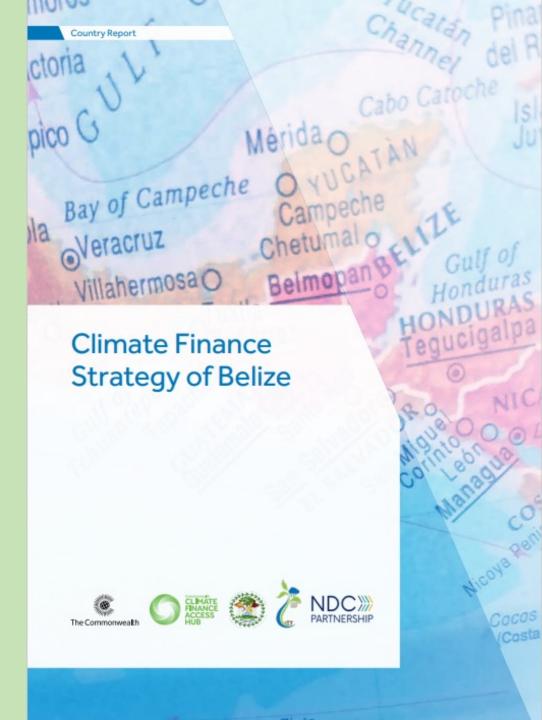
- It is imperative to access adequate and predictable finance flows to implement ambitious NDC targets
- Domestic sources (private and public) are inadequate
- <u>Capitalising the synergies</u> among different financing sources is required
- Integration and coordination among stakeholders
- Domestic <u>Capacity Building</u>



Climate Finance Strategy of Belize 2021-2026 (Draft)

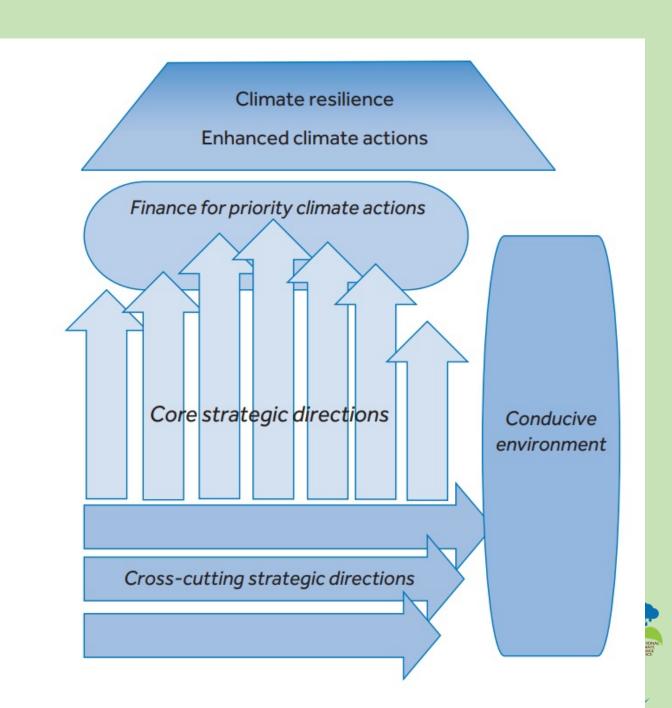
 NCCO in partnership with the Commonwealth Secretariat & NDC Partnership, drafted the Climate Finance Strategy for Belize – 2021-26

 Provides a strategic framework to access and mobilize climate finance



Guiding Principles

- Meeting the national priorities
- Ambitious and futuristic vision for climate investments:
- National and international policy coherence:
- The integrated and inclusive approach in climate finance
- Maximising synergies and co-benefits of sustainable development



Dimensions of a Strategic Approach for Climate Finance

- Capitalise the Synergies:
 - Synergies among the actors and the stakeholders partnerships
 - Synergies among different sources and channels of finance balancing between the strengths and weaknesses of different finance sources
- Capacity Building sustain the efforts of mobilizing and utilizing climate finance
 - Human capacities
 - Institutional capacities



Dimensions of a Strategic Approach for Climate Finance Cont.

 Process Orientation – Climate finance must be transformational in orientation rather than short-term focus



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