# Botswana's sustainable development criteria for CDM

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## Clean Development Mechanism and SD

- CDM should have clear link to sustainable development, through projects
- Twin objectives of emissions reductions and sustainable development
- Issue: how can we be sure that sustainable development benefits be delivered?

## Operationalising SD in CDM

- Before the project is approved and implemented
  - host country approval, including that project meets national sustainable development criteria
- After the project is implemented?
  - No provision made for monitoring sustainable development
  - Hard to measure all dimensions of SD, and attribute to a particular project

## Examples of possible SD indicators

#### Economic:

GDP growth, employment, foreign (Direct)exchange, investments (FDI).

#### Social:

 Education, health, capabilities (well being, living standards), local participation and sharing of benefits, income distribution, development of information sharing systems, institutional capacity building

#### Environment:

 Reduction of Air pollution, water pollution, waste discharge, depletion of exhaustible resources, and biodiversity improvement

#### Technological:

- Contribution to technological self reliance, contribution to sustainable use of natural resources
- Noticeable tech transfer

## **General Criteria**

- Be consistent with the national sustainable development policies and laws and other relevant policies and plans
- Be based upon the principle of voluntary participation

## **Environmental Criteria**

- Result in reduction in the emissions of Greenhouse Gases
- Identify opportunities to conserve local resources and improve local environment

## Social Criteria

- Result in poverty alleviation
- Result in creation of new jobs
- Result in creation of new economic activities
- Have positive impacts on local communities
- Improve equity
- Take gender concerns into consideration and
- Ensure stakeholder participation in the development of the project

### **Economic Criteria**

- Contribute to improvement of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)
- Be cost effective
- Should apply innovative, locally manageable technology
- Result in technology and know-how transfer

