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Sustainable Urban Mobility for Smart Cities

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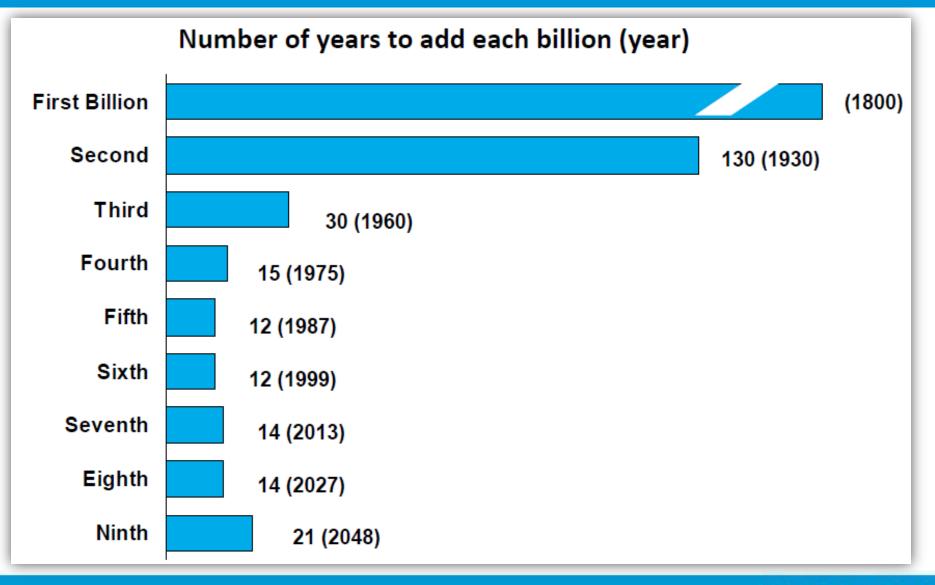
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World Population Growth (in billion)





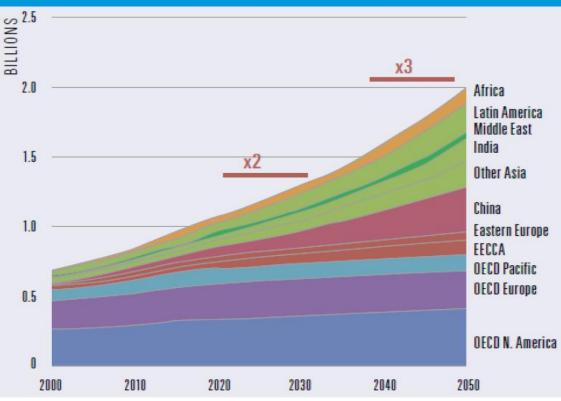
Why we are where we are?

- Rapid urbanization
- Rapid motorization
- Globalization The market for cars is increasingly mostly in developing countries.
- Unplanned urban growth and urban sprawl

But planning, regulatory and institutional frameworks have not evolved with the challenges

Resulting in :

- Exclusion of the poor and vulnerable;
- Congestion;
- Injuries and fatalities;
- Health impacts from pollution;
- Exacerbating the challengers

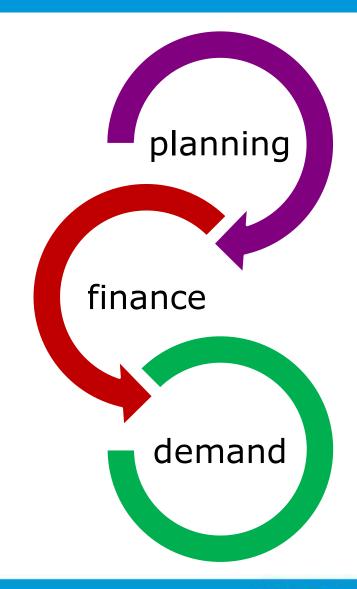


Projected total stock of light duty vehicles by region 2000-2050 Source: GEF/WBCSD 2004



Why we are where we are?

- Lack of city-wide vision and spatial strategy;
- Absence of wide stakeholder engagement in policy and planning (business and industry, travelling public, civil society);
- Increase in vehicular traffic sought to be addressed by infrastructure -no effort for TDM and people -centered planning;
- Unrealistic plans and inadequate finance;
- "political considerations" given higher priority;
- No Monitoring of Plans or implementation





Why we are where we are?

The Urban Planning "Problem"

- Spatial Plans not made in advance of growth-leading to uncontrolled growth, long travel distance/time, congestion, exclusion of poor.....
- Potential of streets to provide connectivity and public space functions not used- cars crowd out people;
- Tendency towards sprawl as opposed to mixed use and high density.



A busy street in Gikomba market, Nairobi, Kenya



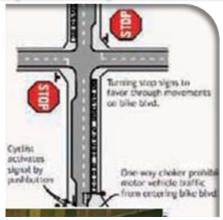
What is needed for Sustainable Transport ?

Strengthening and integrating



A strengthened and unified transport institution/ authority for the entire metropolitan area

Planning and participation



- Institutionalized participatory;
- Transparent planning and decision making processes

Coordination and capacity



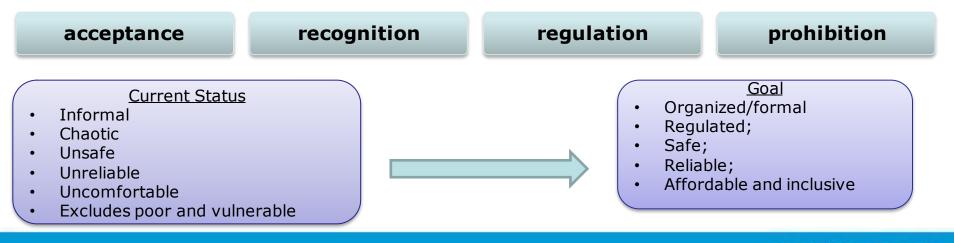
- Coordination and support of provincial and national level government;
- Increased capacity in spatial planning, operations and regulation



Transforming Public Transport Services

- No size-fits-all approach.
- In crafting a regulatory regime, policy-makers must choose from a spectrum of options:







A new urban agenda

Sustainable Urban Planning & Design

- Better Planning & Design with optimal density and diversity
- Plan in advance and to scale of expected growth
- Plan starts with basic streets, water, sanitation networks, energy supply, urban mobility and other services;
- Avoid risky developments on steep slopes, water beds ad quake prone zones



A new urban agenda

Mobility and energy efficiency

- Public transport and improved urban mobility
- Increased energy efficiency -decreasing the demand for mobility is key
- Improved telecommunications and connectivity provides for increased urban efficiency and improved environment.





A new urban agenda

Promote urban economy

- Economies of Urbanization: Economical value generated by location and proximity to urban services and common goods.
- Economies of Agglomeration: Economical value generated by the proximity and diversity of production's factors, diminishing transactions costs, favouring specialization. Massive increase of productivity





India Case study: Transport Reforms Support by Central Government to City Level

- Government of India Initiatives to Strengthen Public Transport under JNNURM
 - I. National Urban Transport Policy
 - II. Reform Linked Investments Bus, Rail and Related Infrastructure under JNNURM
 - III. Human Resources and Capacity Enhancement
- Main Focus of JNNURM:
 - Support for Comprehensive Mobility Plan (CMP)
 - Unified Metropolitan Transport Authority (UMTA)
 - Public Transport / NMT
 - Capacity Building



India Case study: National Urban Transport Policy



India Case study: Reforms to better Urban Transport Planning and Management

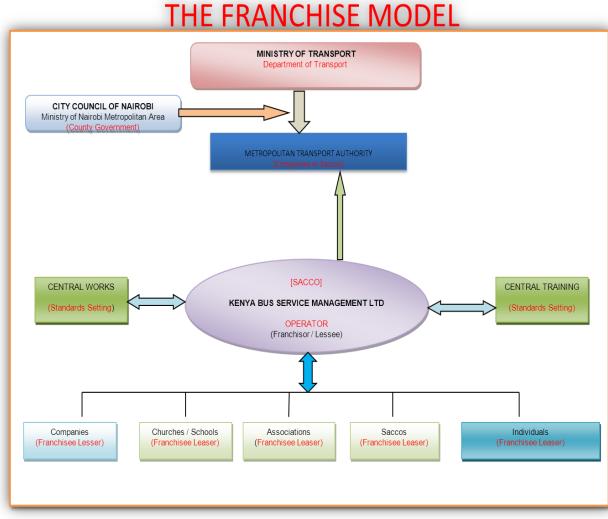
Investment Sanctions /Approvals of Urban transport Projects are subject to:

- Preparation of Comprehensive Mobility Plan (CMP) (80% financial grant by the Central Government)
- Setting up of Unified Mass Transit Authority (UMTA).
- Setting up of Dedicated Urban Transport Fund at state and city level.
- Transit Oriented Development Policy, Parking Policy and Advertisement Policy.
- Setting up of city specific Special Purpose Vehicle for managing public transport (50% financial support by the Central Government).
- Setting up of Traffic Information & Management Control Centre etc.
- Mechanism for periodic revision of public transport fares



Private Sector Involvement

- City authorities generally not well placed to operate public transport services due to high work load and potential conflict of interest.
- Regulating private sector contracts, concessions, and franchises, and monitoring performance require sophisticated legal and administrative frameworks and capacity.
- In Nairobi a system is proposed where private sector franchisor regulate most operators, BUT oversight and regulation necessary by Government



Source: Kenya Bus Service Franchise Model

Institutionalising Stakeholder Consultations

Benefits of Stakeholder Consultation

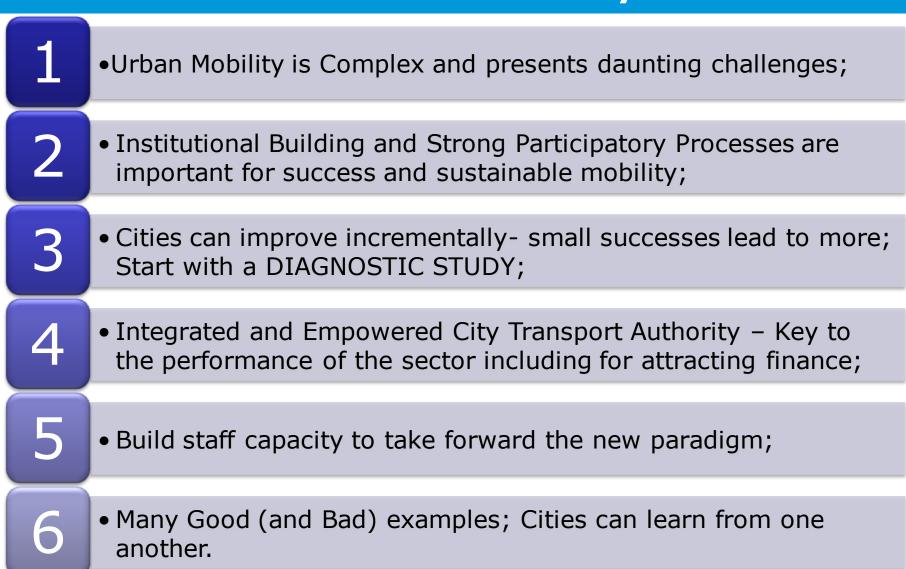
- Improves governance and strengthens local government institutions;
- Priority issues are addressed through a process oriented framework;
- Allows different stakeholders negotiate strategies and seek solutions collectively;
- Emerging Solutions and Strategies are widely owned- mitigates irrational "pressures";
- Establish law and formal business processes to institutionalise SCP



(Adapted from UN-HABITAT's "Issue Based Stakeholders' Participation in Sustainable Cities Processes)



Concluding Remarks and Recommendations To Policy Makers







Thanks for your attention!!!