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## **SEED Practitioner Labs Climate Finance**

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#### **SEED Practitioner Labs Climate Finance**

## Facilitating Climate Finance Product Development



The 2018 SEED Practitioner Labs Climate Finance series in India, Thailand and Uganda brought together around **200 leading investors, banks, development finance institutions, foundations, governments, innovators and intermediaries** to jointly prototype tangible solutions to major climate finance challenges.

Lab practitioners, facilitated by *SEED Prototyping Tools*, turned challenges into solutions as they designed and mobilised support for robust prototypes that innovate the next generation of climate finance products for their target markets.



#### From Kick-Off to Market:

#### **Kick-Off Lab**

Co-create climate finance product prototypes

## Product Refinement

Refine prototype & mobilise resources (at group-level)

#### **Transition Lab**

Incorporate feedback, roadmap scale-up & fortify partnerships

## Deliver Climate-Smart Financing

Bring products to market & drive change in sector





## **Practitioner Lab Climate Finance India**

## **Impressions**







#### **Practitioner Lab Climate Finance India**

## Bringing together stakeholders from over 30 organisations



#### **Product Development Hosts**











#### **Lab Practitioners**





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microenergy











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#### **Practitioner Lab Climate Finance India**

## Developing three innovative climate finance products





#### **Turning challenges**



... into new climate finance solutions



Mainstreaming green projects in commercial banking

Financing decentralised renewable energy

Unlocking the carbon market for waste SMEs



**Green MSME Finance Tool**, hosted by TARA with Grameen Capital



Portfolio Level Debt Facility, hosted by New Ventures



Gold Standard Programme of Activities for Waste Management Start-Ups with Debt Linkages, hosted by GIZ with VNV Advisory



















## **Product synopsis**

Offers a knowledge platform for providing data and frameworks to banks for understanding green-technology-based enterprises and evaluate them for financing. The *Green MSME Finance Tool* addresses the following challenges:

Information gap in banks on green finance

High transaction costs in assessing green enterprises











#### Innovative Characteristics





## Exhibits a comprehensive list of green technologies

- One-stop source for banks with information on green technologies and models
- Demand assessment of various green technologies



#### Boosts transparency through a credit rating system

- Risk vs. return assessment of listed green technologies
- Standardised metrics using SDGs/NDC tools



### Provides a knowledge resource for banks

 Access to research, experts, and guidelines for loan restructuring and product development







## Target Market



#### 3-year pilot phase

The *Green MSME Finance Tool* will list 75 green technologies through a USD 2 million investment. As an innovative one-stop source that connects various stakeholders, the *Green MSME Finance Tool* has four main target groups:

Green MSMEs –
Production of green tech
1 million – 100 million

Green Technology Developers

Financial Institutions

Financial Regulators

75
technologies
listed &
validated

Pilot testing of tool application







## Impact Potential



The Green MSME Finance Tool addresses the shortcomings of existing green MSME financing products and will:

## Unlock financing for green MSMEs

Extend the market for green enterprises

Transition to a green and inclusive economy

- Facilitate access to capital for green MSMEs
- Increase carbon literacy for banks
- Raise number of green financing products

- Raise awareness and knowledge about green technologies
- Create jobs through facilitating growth of green MSMEs
- Reduce CO<sup>2</sup>
   emissions through
   extending use of
   green technologies
- Support climate change adaptation and mitigation and the overall achievement of NDCs and SDGs

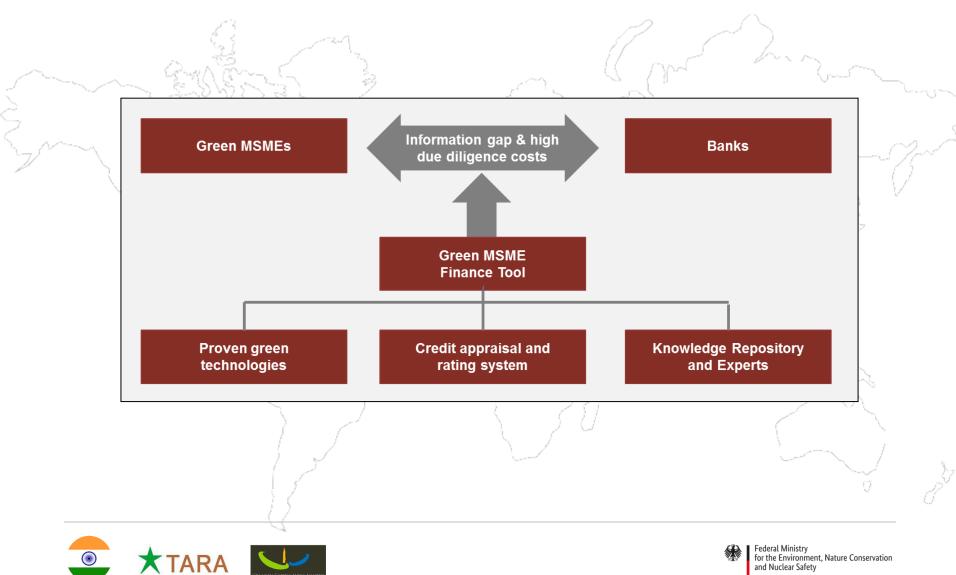












## Portfolio Level Debt Facility for Clean Energy Enterprises

## Product development hosted by New Ventures



## **Product synopsis**

Offers improved access to debt capital for **clean energy** enterprises catalysing the uptake of clean energy by leveraging:

**Portfolio Level Structure** 

**First Loss Default Guarantee** 

Technical Assistance for Enterprises









#### **Innovative Characteristics**





## Applies a portfolio level structure

- Secures access to capital for enterprises who might struggle to raise debt funding at a reasonnable cost on a one-on-one basis
- Speeds up the due diligence process and provides creditibility through third-party involvement



## Creates a leverage effect through using FLDG

 Enables larger facilitation of capital in comparison to one-to-one grant as once the portfolio level debt facility expires, the First Loss Default Guarantee (FLDG) amount could be re-used to facilitate further capital



## Provides technical assistance to clean energy enterprises

- Boosts sustainable, local impact by building capacities of clean energy enterprises and raising awareness amongst end consumers
- Increases the ability of the clean energy enterprises to repay the loan





## Target Market



During the 2-year pilot phase, the *Portfolio Level Debt Facility* will provide debt capital to 10-15 clean energy enterprises from a pool of 10-15 million USD. The *Portfolio Level Debt Facility* will include clean energy enterprises across all sub-sectors.

10-15 clean energy enterprises

Primary

Avail of minim

#### Screening criteria for enterprises:

- Vintage
- Size
- Profitability
- Impact
- Involvement in initatives

## Primary due diligence process

Avail debt facility for a minimum threshold of quantum

# Secondary due diligence process

Additional quantum contigent on a more rigorous due diligence process







## Impact Potential



Portfolio Level Debt Facility addresses the debt funding gap for clean energy enterprises and will:

## Catalyse the uptake of clean energy

Build capacities of clean energy enterprises

## Ensure ecosystem development

- Extend the clean energy market supporting a lowcarbon economy
- Increase the number of households in rural areas with access to energy
- More clean energy enterprises trained based on their individual needs
- of clean energy
  benefits to the point of
  end consumers
- Spread impact across all relevant beneficiaries
- Ensure distribution of funding across sub-sectors

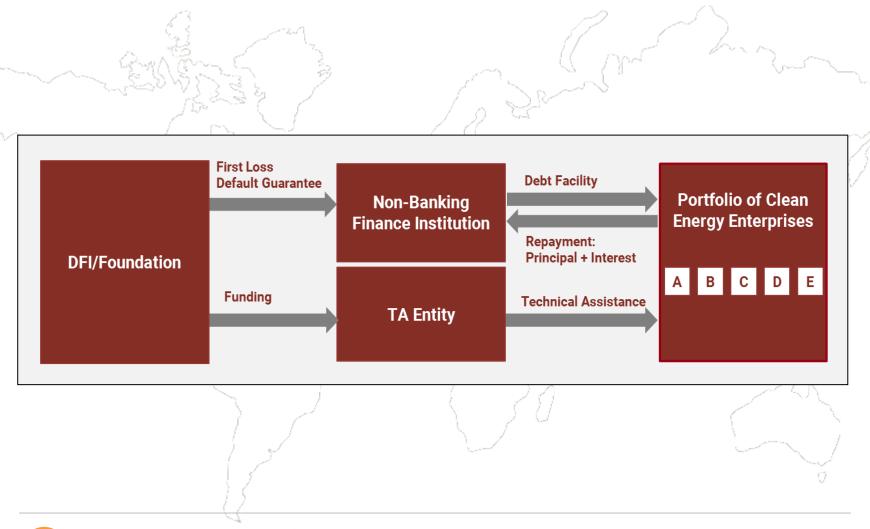




















Product development hosted by GIZ with VNV Advisory

### **Product synopsis**

Brings together like mindedorganizations under an umbrella programme known as the Programme of Activities (PoA) to address issues of asymmetries of participation:

for small-scale project activities

in key community-oriented areas such as waste

to provide debt at a lower cost with less collateral based on VER revenue











**Innovative Characteristics** 



## Facilitates an extensive portfolio of projects with fast growing emission reduction potential

- Enables a maximum number of carbon credits for projects implemented over time
- Early adopters can join immediately, while others can be added as the programme establishes itself



## Reduces time, certification effort and regulatory risks

- Programme developers can constantely add new activities to the PoA
- Fast-track validation of CPA inclusion
- No risk of non-sale of carbon credits



### Links PoA directly with financial institutions

 Waste management start-ups involved in the PoA can receive debt at a lower cost or with less collateral based on the VER revenue











**Target Market** 

During the 5-year pilot phase, the *Gold Standard PoA for Waste Management Start-Ups* will comprise 10 enterprises unlocking carbon financing of EUR 3.3 million and can help mobilize debt of around EUR 7 million.

Investment required: USD 10 million

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Enterprises have already declared intent to become part Over 800-1000 tons of total waste per day committed Range of 1.5 ton per day to 500 tons per day from each enterprise

#### **REGION**

Across locations such as Bangalore, Hyderabad, Pune, Assam, New Delhi, Mumbai, etc.









**Impact Potential** 

#### Unlock carbon revenue

## Raise awareness for investors and civil society

## Transition to a green and inclusive economy

- Facilitate access to carbon revenue finance for waste management start-ups which would individually be too small to apply
- Register under the Gold Standard – the most stringent as well as the most credible voluntary carbon standard as of today globally
- Monitoring of project & assurance by 3rd parties supporting the recognition of waste management start-ups

- Supports climate change mitigation
- Addressing a range of SDGs
- Effective waste management involving the informal sector



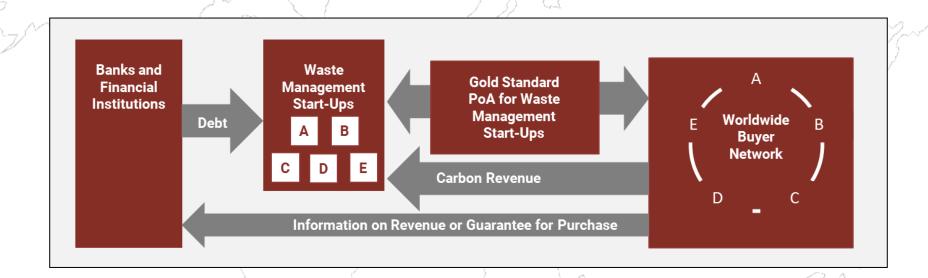








Unlocking the carbon market for waste management enterprises











#### **About SEED**



SEED was founded at the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg by UN Environment, UNDP and IUCN as a global partnership for action on sustainable development and the green economy. SEED is based on the understanding that the promotion of social and environmental entrepreneurship is pivotal for environmentally friendly and socially inclusive development and poverty reduction.

We work directly with growing enterprises and aspiring entrepreneurs in our Enterprise Support programmes to strategise, optimise and award achievements in eco-inclusive entrepreneurship. All our participating enterprises receive a comprehensive SEED Support Package of tailored business and capacity-building support, networking, and profiling at the national and international level.

Complimentary to our direct Enterprise Support programmes, we offer programmes to build an ecosystem of supporters and advocators necessary to the success of growing enterprises. Our Ecosystem Building activities fortify a global network of local business development services providers and offer platforms for coordination between key local, national and international stakeholders around eco-inclusive entrepreneurship.

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