

USAID After Hours Seminar: Financing Clean Energy

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Slum Electrification

- Private Utility Co -- \$2.9M yearly loss
- Audit inefficiency and theft
- NGO contracted to educate slum dwellers on use of legal electricity
 - 1. educate the families in the optimal use of electricity;
 - 2. training families on exercising measures for safety and conservation of energy
- Subscribe new connections (or convert illegal to legal)
- SEWA Bank loan product



Slum Electrification

SEWA Bank loan product

The total cost of individual electricity meters is Rs. 3,700 (~\$82) which includes a ~\$5 security deposit. Additional cost for drawing connections.

- Loan conditions:
 - Borrower must have a savings account with SEWA Bank
- Standard energy loan amount is Rs. 4,000 (~\$90)
- Borrower must maintain min Rs. 500 (~\$12) in their bank account
- Borrower must be validated and approved by NGO providing services to access finance

Energy Efficiency Audits for the Poor

Challenge

- Meeting the needs of people who still lack access to basic, modern energy services
- Evaluating household consumptions, equipment and usage patterns
- Transition to clean low-carbon energy systems
- Energy efficiency improvements offer the largest and least costly emissions-reduction potential



Energy Efficiency Audit



Waste to Energy

Significant increase of municipal solid waste

Waste generated in the urban centers estimated to increase from 46 million tons in 2001 to 65 million tons in 2010

- governments are ill equipped to efficiently manage the waste
- Environmental menace and spreading diseases
- Reduced green house gases
- Alternate source of electricity or fuel
- Reduce pressure on landfills through waste reduction
- Source of revenue for the government (CERs)
- Methane is a potent gas with high global warming potential



Waste to Energy



Waste to Energy

Recover energy from organic waste

- Recover biogas from organic waste
- Generate electricity/thermal energy OR clean and bottle natural gas
- Use of electricity /thermal energy OR retrofit vehicles to use the gas (94% methane)



Water harvesting

Problem

The last decade has seen a sharp rise in gated communities and apartment complexes in cities

Visible environmental deterioration, particularly depletion of water reserves

Bangalore

the current demand of water in is pegged at around 1400 to 1500 Million Liters a day

Currently water pumped from over 65 miles away (river) and height of around ¾ mile which makes it expensive

The combination of the lack of adequate infrastructure and shortage of supply has fuelled an extensive dependence on ground water

Water harvesting

- Evolve a strategic solution for rainwater harvesting that considers the overall water sourcing and management
- integrate water harvested into current water infrastructure
- ensure long term sustainability of ground water sources
- Fee based implementation services
- appropriate after sales services to maintain and manage rainwater harvesting system
- ensure trained labor



Solar Energy for the poor



Solar Energy for the poor

- 1. Street Vendors (Kerosene lamps) -- double LED solar light with 3 Watt panel
- 2. Street Vendors (Petrol lamps) with large size shops -- 3 LED LIGHT with a 3 watt charging panel
- 3. Slum households -- 2 LED light with 3 Watt Charging panel
- 4. Slum communities of about 25 families there is potential for community charging stations (entrepreneur model)



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Financing Clean Energy for the Bottom of the Pyramid: A Comparison of Approaches in India \ and Prospects for Replication

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19th century technology contributes to *global poverty*





1.6 billion lack electricity, consigning them to kerosene or candles for lighting and open fires for cooking 19th century technology affects our *global environment*





2.5 billion people on our planet lack improved sanitation

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We move families from the 19th century to 21st century clean sustainable solutions



19th-20th Century Archaic Energy Solutions	21st Century Cutting Edge Energy Solutions				
 fossil-fuel based require industrial infrastructure generate CO2 emissions and air pollution high in price, fund petrocracies, and subject to carbon taxation! 	 renewable, sustainable, green emissions free technology cost is decreasing run on free sunlight and its derivatives will generate carbon offset credits 				
Candles - petroleum based, requires transport, dangerous, low-quality, inefficient lighting	Solar				
Foraged Wood - destroys habitat	Wind				
Wood / Dung / Charcoal	Biodigesters / Composters - improve hygiene while producing biogas				
Single-Use Batteries - up to 10 times more expensive than grid electricity!	Biofuels (i.e. jatropha trees) - reforestation while producing income				
Generators - fossil fuel consuming, spewing air polluting fumes	Higher Efficiency Cookstoves - preserve forests and eliminate household fumes				

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A New Model

For Sustainable Development that Delivers

Economic, Plus Environmental, Advances for the Poor



Manual Irrigation



Drip Irrigation System

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Our Approach



- Use economic leverage and environmental expertise to unify microfinance and environmental initiatives
 - Use microfinance to provide funding for products and services that have impact on lives of the poor and environmental conditions associated with economic development
 - Separately addressing the economic and environment effects of poverty does not work
 - Most institutions are not well-positioned to deliver an integrated approach
 - GMf has the resources, expertise, network and competency to be successful



Our Business Lines

Asset Management

- Establish and manage investment vehicles
- Bring capital to MFIs for environmental products and services
 - Alternative energy projects, water, and sustainable agriculture
 - Small and medium enterprises that manufacture goods or provide essential services consistent with GMf goals

Consulting Services

- Conduct Environmental *Risk Assessment* for MFIs
- *Market survey* for appropriate clean energy program
- Provide technical expertise for MFI environmental microfinance *program design*
- Sustainable microenterprise development *training* for micro-entrepreneurs
- Integrated *planning* for Eco-Village Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)

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A Commercial Venture That Delivers the Triple Bottom Line

- *Financial Returns:* Generate positive financial returns for its investors
- **Social Returns:** Improve the quality of life for people at the Base of the Pyramid
- *Environmental Returns:* Improve the environment and foster economic development

Asset Management



GMf - Debt and Equity Microfinance Investment Vehicles

- Description of fund
 - Provides lending capital to MFIs for green initiatives
 - Initial funding target of \$100mm
- Available market
 - 10,000 MFIs
 - Total loan portfolio of \$34bb only \$2.7bb from private sector
 - \$300bb demand by 2015 for microfinance loans with
 \$20bb from private sector
 - Representative opportunities
 - 2008 India study \$42mm clean tech loan demand
- Creates opportunity for GMf Services



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Environmental Demand Study India Conservative Loan Fund Estimate

Partner	Annual Demand	Loan Fund Estimate						
	(000)	Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		
А	\$10,292	50%	\$5,146	75%	\$7,719	110%	\$11,321	
В	\$5,984	50%	\$2,992	75%	\$4,488	110%	\$6,582	
С	\$1,184	40%	\$474	75%	\$888	75%	\$888	
D	\$25,000	30%	\$7,500	50%	\$12,500	50%	\$12,500	
Total	\$42,460		\$16,112		\$25,595		\$31,291	

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GMf Case Studies

COMMUNITY BIOGAS PRODUCTION INDIA



A biogas plant in India provides income for eight men, who collect garbage at several local hotels in carts and bring it to the plant. They divide the garbage into paper, plastic, and biodegradable mass that is produced into methane. This provides gas to an adjacent pre-school and apartment building.



ELECTRIFICATION FOR JAMII BORA KENYA



GreenMicrofinance Investment money will be channeled into the microfinance organization to build sustainable infrastructure, such as solar and wind power for the support for the growth of green" micro-businesses, such as biowaste plants, agricultural initiatives, and clean water and sanitation projects.

The GMf Team



- Extending the heritage of GreenMicrofinance
- Unparalleled experience and dedication
- Recognized leaders in their fields
- Impressive global rolodex
- GMf Management

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Roadmap

- Challenges of sustainable SMEs
- Brief Overview of New Ventures
- Our Approach in India
- SBA Hydro Case Study

FIGURE 1. THE SME FINANCING CONSTRAINT IN LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES

Average % of businesses rating access to finance / cost of finance a major constraint to current operations



Notes: Countries weighted equally within income groups to calculate overall average. As defined by the World Bank, country classifications are defined by gross national income per capita. Sources: World Bank Enterprise Surveys; World Bank List of Economies; Dalberg analysis.

6 local centers established

229 entrepreneurs supported

\$200m transferred





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New Ventures Approach

- 1. Improving companies' bottom lines via business advisory services
 - Business plan development
 - Access to Coaches' Network
- 2. Bringing companies in front of investors
 - Investor pitch development
 - Participation at Investor Forum
 - Arranging one-on-one meetings with interested investors
 - Quarterly investor meetings in different cities





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New Ventures Approach

- 3. Getting more investors to look at clean energy BOP companies
 - Producing publications on the investment potential of the sector
 - Engaging angel investors and banks
- 4. Helping companies measure their performance and impacts
 - Creating a user-friendly toolkit that enterprises can use
 - Developing a data management system to collect these metrics







July – October 2007: Selected for the New Ventures program, and underwent mentoring

November 2007: Presented their business plan at New Ventures India Investor Forum

November 2007: Met with Acumen Fund during Investor Network one-on-one meeting

August 2008: Received equity funding of \$1.26 M from Acumen Fund to construct 10 more small hydro plants in the region

December 2008 - Presented at an IADB's in Colombia – met Colombia's VP and IADB's VP for private sector to replicate the model in Colombia

THANK YOU!!!

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