

# Regulating RE in the The Gambia Progress made since 1st Forum

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# Recap from last year

- 1<sup>st</sup> RE Forum
  - 31 January 1<sup>st</sup> February 2012
- NARUC
  - Wisconsin / California
- ECREEE
  - Funding facilities and capacity building
- Cape Verde
  - Wind energy development
- Ghana
  - Energy labelling of appliances



## Forum Conclusions

Recommendations	2012	2013	Remarks
Draft RE law	X	<b>✓</b>	MOE sent to MOJ for final review
Develop standard PPA for RE	×	<b>✓</b>	Done
Feed in Tariffs	×	<b>✓</b>	Done (awaiting RE Law
Wind Energy Development Zones	×	×	No progress
Energy Efficient labelling and Standards	×	×	Little progress
Encourage RE IPPs	/	<b>/</b>	1 implemented
Net –Metering	X	<b>✓</b>	Pilot cases connected
Interconnection Guidelines	×	<b>/</b>	Developed



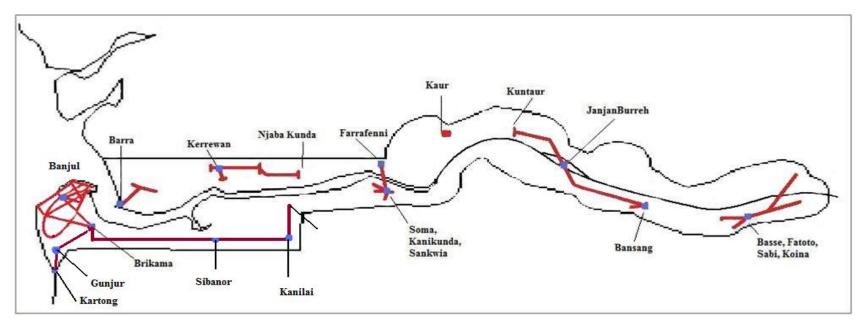


#### Regulatory Experience: Lessons learnt

- Wind was a new potential energy source
  - □ Domestic / no indexation/ cheaper
- Grid Access must be a made easier
  - Cannot be denied un-necessarily
- PPA negotiations have been simplified
  - □ Standard PPA
- Monitor Technical issues
  - ☐ Hz deviations etc.
- PV modules getting cheaper and competitive D66/W or (\$2.08/W)



#### National Electrification



- Network more developed along the coast
- Lack of national transmission backbone



#### Tariff increase June 2012

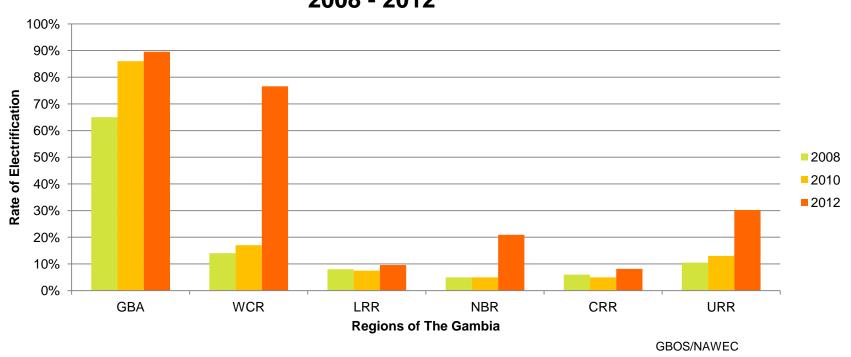
Electricity				
<b>Customer Category</b>	2011 Tariff	2012 Tariff	% increase	US \$ /kWh
D/kWh	D/kWh	D/kWh		
Approved				
Domestic (prepayment flat)	7.20	9.10	26%	0.28
Commercial	8.60	9.70	13%	0.30
Hotel / Club / Industries	8.95	10.40	16%	0.33
Agriculture	8.00	9.10	14%	0.28
Area Councils	8.70	9.70	11%	0.30
Central Government	8.70	9.70	11%	0.30

US \$1 = D32



#### National Electrification

#### Electrification Rate by Region 2008 - 2012



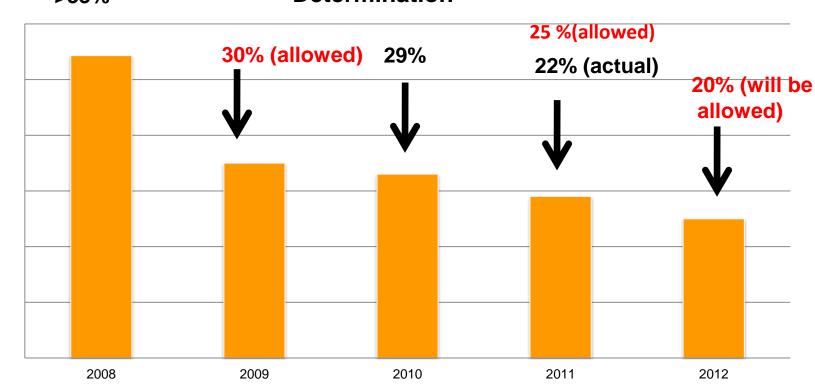


## Energy Efficiency — Loss Reduction & Tariffs



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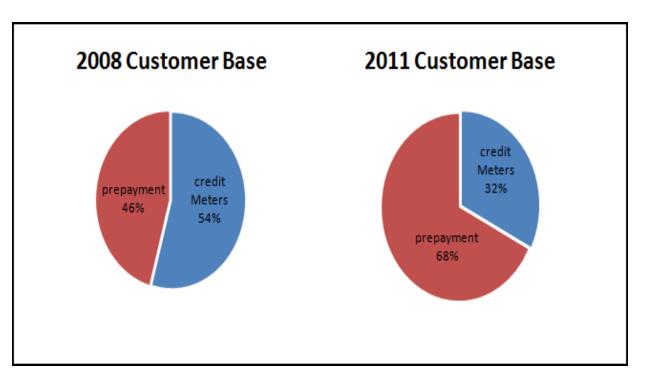
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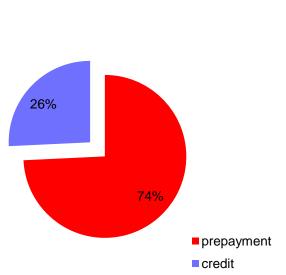




# Reducing Commercial Losses:

Prepayment metering 2001 -2012 (Mandatory)





2012 Consumer Base



# **Energy Efficiency -II**





- Energy Efficiency Awareness Campaign
  - On Newspapers & Radio Programmes
  - □ Presentations and Demonstrations
- 2008/2011 CFL Pilot Projects
- Installed 2000 bulbs in Kanifing South
- Installed 1000 bulbs in City of Banjul
  - Switched for free /incandescent bulbs
- Reduce domestic consumption
- Saving for consumers
- Improvement in voltage levels

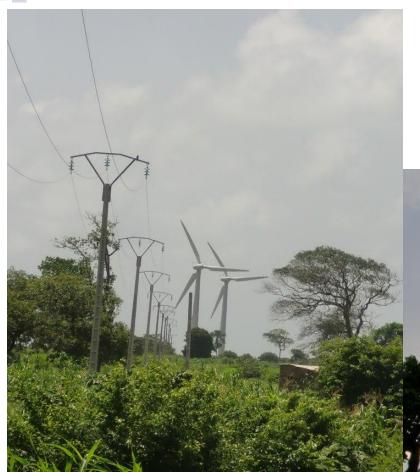




# New Challenges emerging

- People are now very aware of efficient lighting
  - □ CFLs / LED
- Issue is now of quality
  - □ Cheap CFL cost 1/3 of good ones
    - D100 Philips / D35 'Chinese' brands
    - Issues of Standards
      - □ Ghana has Quality labels (mandatory)
- Continued consumer education
  - Market regulation etc





# **GAMWIND Ltd**



Source: GAMWIND Ltd



#### Skills Transfer / Know -how







# Net-metering (Renewable)

- Allow small LV producers to be connected
- 2kW Pilot working
  - □ Nice Gambia
- 20kW solar PV
  - □ @ Leo's Hotel
    - Huge Solar potential





#### RE Law in Detail

- FIT mandatory for grid tied
  - □ Tax free investment
    - No corporate tax (15 yrs)
    - 6 months after law is a passed
    - FIT Regulations
      - Eligibility criteria has been defined
        - Project size limited to 1.5MW
- RE Law
  - □ GG to set target for RE penetration
  - ☐RE Fund
  - □ Regulation of installations
  - Streamlined permitting of RE investment





#### RE Fund

- Fund will be managed by PURA
- Mini grids
- Rural electrification support
- Funds can also be used to promote RE projects
  - Co-funding or total depending on size
  - □ All RE technologies eligible
    - Solar water heating
  - Funding from GG, bilateral funds, local stakeholders



# Regulation of Installations

- Installers of all PV installation must provide min. 6 months Guarantee
  - Equipment and Installation
- All installations must be certified
  - □ Register of PV installers
- Development of regulation and standards on PV modules especially





# Way Forward

- Discuss current constraints in this Forum
- e.g. investment
- Stronger regional and international partnership
- Make new recommendations for both
  - □ Policy formulation
  - New Regulatory approach



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