CHALLENGES OF LAGOS URBAN TRANSPORT PROJECT (LUTP)

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FACTS ABOUT LAGOS STATE

- Population now stands at 17 million inhabitants
- Smallest state in Nigeria with total area of 357,700 Hectares.
- Most populous city in Africa.
- Current estimated growth rate is 6%, hence by 2020, population is expected to be 35 million.
- Hub of nation’s economic, commercial and industrial activities.
- 45% of nation’s skilled manpower reside in the city.
- Houses the nation’s principal commercial sea and airports.
Overview of the Transport Situation in Lagos

- Poor quality of public transport
- Enforcement problems
- High pollution level

- Indiscipline and corruption
- High accident rate and low level of security
- Weak Institutional Structure
Lagos Urban Transport Project

- Funded by the World Bank and the Lagos State Government
- Designed to support the transport sector policy and strategy of the State Government
- Established to improve efficiency of the public transport network in the State
- LAMATA is the implementing agency for the Lagos urban Transport Project
Institutional Challenges/Issues

- Multiplicity of agencies leading to
  - Overlapping roles & Responsibilities – MoT
  - Lack of clarity in Accountability/Reporting
  - Confused Public/Stakeholders
  - Inefficient allocation of resources
  - No coherent/Integration of policy/Project

- Authority/Ownership of
  Declared Road Network

- Informal Bus Operators

- Amendment to LAMATA law

- Political Champion
Institutional Challenges/Issues cont’d

- MOT
  - Policy
  - Resource Mobilization
  - Monitoring & Evaluation
  - MVA/VIO
  - LASTMA – Traffic Management

- LAMATA
  - Planning & Integration
  - Implementation/
    Execution
  - Regulation
Physical Challenges

- Infrastructure Maintenance Vs New Build
- Co-ordination of projects/Project Implementation (with other agencies)
- Construction in urban environment
- Resettlement issues
Organizational Challenges

- Building professional capacity
- Motivating Staff
- Training
- Funding
- Fulfilling Mandate
Communication Challenges

- Introduction of new IEC concept
- Complexity of the public
  - Ethnicity
  - Level of education
- Communication Channels
- Study Tours
- Feedback/Response Mechanism
Learning points for other cities

- Political Champion
- Institution backed by legislation
- Funding
- Professional & Motivated staff
- Stakeholder buy-in – Understanding the Vision
- Early demonstration of effectiveness / Impact
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