

# FUEL EFFICIENCY INITIATIVE (FEI) PROGRAMME IN UGANDA

The purpose of this programme is to promote sustainable development in the energy sector through the implementation of a Fuel Efficiency Initiative (FEI) (the Project) that includes the development of policies and regulations that will promote the adoption of more cleaner and more fuel efficient vehicle strategies. The Project is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and at the same time help to address the government's goal of meeting the energy needs of Uganda's population for social and economic development in an environmentally sustainable manner.

The FEI is part of the implementation of the Energy Policy in the transport sector. The Energy Policy aims at highlighting the importance of transport energy and to put in place actions to develop a more energy efficient transport systems and also to reduce environmental pollution and associated health problems.

The FEI is also in line with the Renewable Energy Policy of Uganda (2007), the Energy Efficiency Strategy and Plan 2009 and is also linked to Climate Change Policy through priority No. 9 on Energy, which seeks to promote sustainable energy access and utilization development in the face of uncertainties of climate change.

## **Objectives**

The objectives of the FEI are

1. to promote use of cleaner fuels and cleaner cost-effective technologies to achieve better fuel efficiency
2. To reduce emissions from transport (vehicles) thus reduce GHG emissions;
3. Promote sustainable energy use and thus sustainable development

The FEI is a programme designed to run for a period of 5 years 2015-2019.

## **Progress**

- i. Concluded stakeholder consultations and project proposal development in 2014

- ii. Developed the project into a Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Action (NAMA) so that it can be able to receive support given its contribution to climate change solution.
- iii. A Monitoring Reporting and Verification (MRV) framework is being developed for the project, in order to conclude project development and make it ready for submission for financing
- iv. Negotiated with development partners to finance the baseline study on fuel efficiency Initiative in Uganda
- v. With the support of United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and in cooperation with Makerere university, a baseline survey commenced in December 2014 and will be completed in May/June 2015. A draft report has been submitted. A national workshop to review the preliminary findings is scheduled for May 14, 2015.

#### **Next steps**

1. Complete project development by concluding the baseline survey, MRV process by August 2015
2. Submit the project for possible financing September 2015