

Session 1.2

Financial Sustainability, Financial Due Diligence, and Institutional Sustainability

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of Investment Projects**
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Financial Due Diligence

Elements include:

- Cost estimates and financial plan
- Financial projections
- Financial evaluation
- Financial management assessment

Terminology

Due Diligence

- Exercising an appropriate degree of care in preparing and appraising projects

Financial Due Diligence

- Broad descriptor covering financial management assessment and financial analysis activities

Project Analysis: includes economic analysis

ADB's Charter

- Due regard to the prospects that the borrower will be in a position to meet their obligations under the loan agreement
- Necessary measure to ensure that the proceeds of any loan are used for their intended purposes
- Due attention to considerations of economy and efficiency
- Guided by sound banking principles



Financial Viability and Sustainability

- **Financial Analysis:**
Comparison of financial benefits (FIRR) to financial costs (WACC) [financial viability]
- **Financial Management Assessment:**
Capacity of executing agency to effectively manage its financial resources [financial sustainability]
- **Public Financial Management:**
Capacity of Government to effectively manage its financial resources [financial sustainability]



Cost Estimate - Elements

- Base Costs
- Taxes and Duties
- Physical Contingency
- Price Contingency
- Interest and other charges during construction(IDC)

Quality Review

- Confirm adequacy of cost structure
- Reasonableness of targeted units, outputs and unit cost assumptions
- Estimation of taxes and duties, physical and price contingencies and IDC

Financing Plan

- Prepared in the same currency units as the cost estimates
- Drawdown schedule should be consistent with cost estimates
- Sufficient to cover base costs, taxes and duties, contingencies and IDC
- RRP presentation should be in USD, with percentage of funds provided by each source presented.



Quality Review

- Assess existing capital structure of EA
- Assess availability of government counterpart financing
- Ensure that counterpart financing requirements are clearly identified in either the government budget and/or Medium Term Expenditure Framework
- Assess the availability of commercial and official co-financing
- Assess reasonability of EA self-financing

Accounting Terms

- Asset – any item of economic value owned by an entity
- Liability – a financial obligation, debt, claim or potential loss
- Revenue – the monetary value of goods and/or services sold by an entity
- Expense – cost incurred in the conduct of doing business or to generate revenue

Accounting Terms (cont'd)

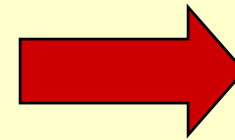
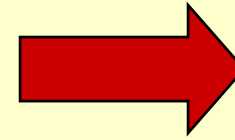
- Profit – excess of revenues less expenses
- Accounting – systematic recording, reporting and analysis of financial transactions of an entity
- Accounting Principles – conventions, rules and procedures necessary to define accepted accounting practice at a particular point in time

Financial Reporting Building Blocks

Debit



Credit



Accounting Equations

- $\text{Assets} = \text{Liabilities} + \text{Owners Equity}$
- $\text{Owners Equity} = \text{capital} + \text{retained profit}$
- $\text{Retained Profit} = \text{Revenues} - \text{Expenses} - \text{Distribution to Owners}$
- $\text{Working Capital} = \text{Current Assets} - \text{Current Liabilities}$

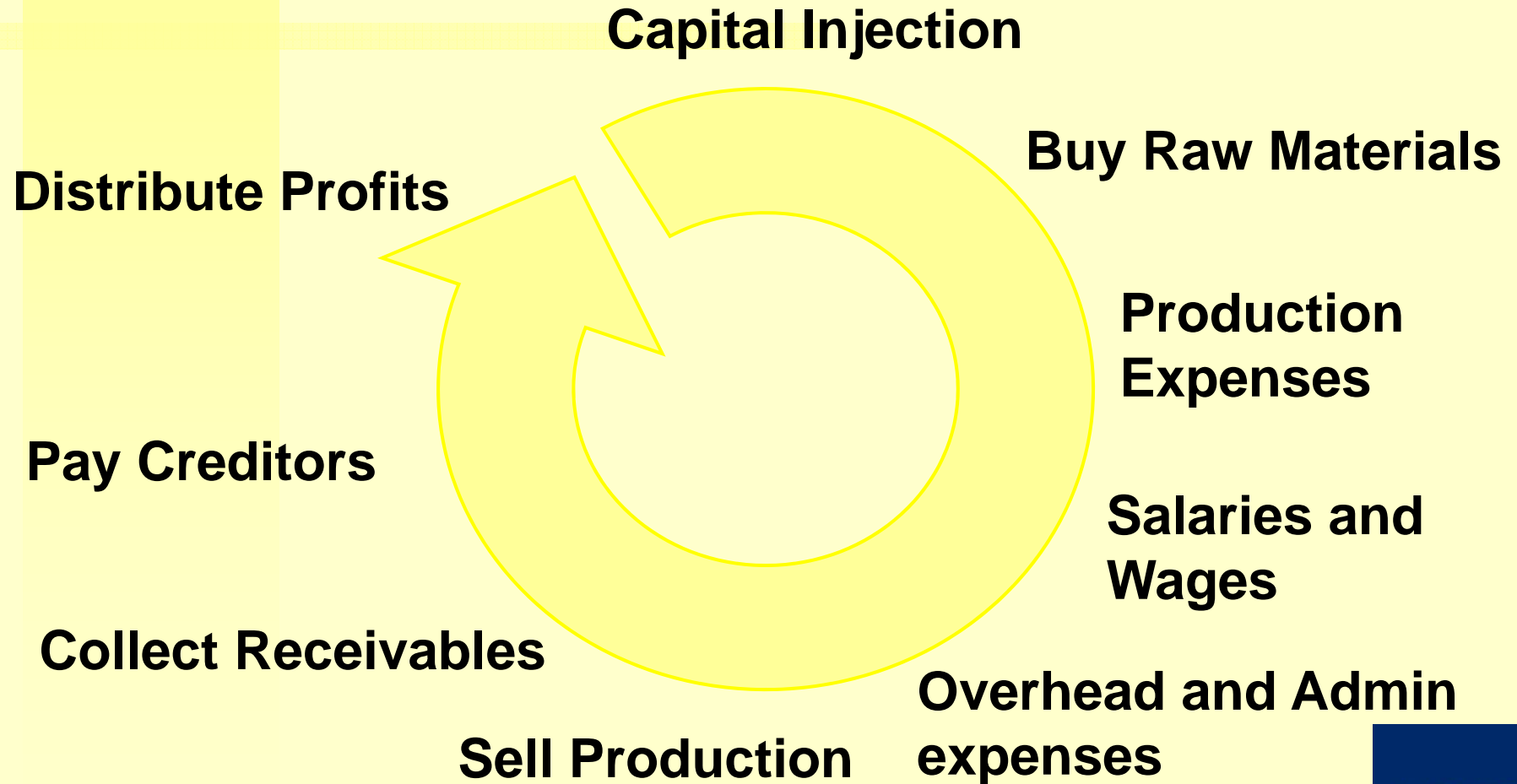
Income Statement

- Income Statement: presents information with respect to revenues, expenses and profits over a specified time period
 - Revenue – Operating Expenses – Non Operating Expenses – Financing Charges – Taxes = Net Profit
- Change in Retained Profits
 - Retained profit beginning of year + net profit – distributions to owners = retained profit end of year
- Tells us whether or not the entity is profitable

Balance Sheet

- Balance Sheet: presents the financial position at a given date
- $\text{Assets} = \text{Liabilities} + \text{Owners Equity}$
- Statement of the entity's financial "health"
- Profitability does not always translate into financial health

Working Capital Circulates



Cash Flow Statement

- Cash flow Statement: presents cash flow from operations, investments and financing over a specified time period
- Shows how the company is managing its cash flow
- Cash is King!



Example of Integrated Financial Statements

Income Stmt		Cash Flow		Balance Sheet	
Revenues	900	Operating		Current Assets	
Less		Cash Flow	200	Cash	400
Expenses	<u>500</u>	Loan Proceeds	200	Accts Receivable	100
Net Profit	400	Investment in		Fixed Assets	<u>400</u>
Equity, beg	200	Fixed assets	<u>100</u>	Total Assets	<u>900</u>
Dividends	<u>100</u>	Net Cash flow	300	Accts Payable	200
Equity, end	<u>500</u>	Cash beginning	<u>100</u>	Loan	200
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Understanding Financial Statements

- Comparative year figures are important!
- Look for logical corresponding movements across key accounts
 - Increased revenues should equal increased cash and/or accounts receivable
 - Increased fixed assets should equal decreased cash and/or increased debt and/or equity

Financial Analysis

- Financial Statements:
 - historical
 - static
 - financial performance
 - financial position
- Ratio Analysis:
 - Diagnostic
 - Dynamic
 - Analytical
 - Future Predictability

Financial Ratios

- Test the mathematical relationship between revenues, expenses, assets, liabilities and equity
- Profitability ratios : help interpret the income statement
- Debt, Asset and Liquidity ratios: help interpret the balance sheet
- Cash Management and Liquidity ratios: help interpret the cash flow statement
- Should compare to benchmarks

Financial Ratios - Examples

- Debt to Equity ratio – depending on the industry 50 – 80 percent of capital should be in debt
- Current Ratio – current assets should be at least equal to, or slightly more, than current liabilities.
- Debt Service Coverage Ratio – cash flow generated from operations should be 1.2 – 1.4 times the cash required to meet debt service obligations in the next year
- Self Financing ratio – indicates the amount of internal cash flow available to meet forward capital investment plans



Summary

- The mechanics of accounting really just mathematical relationships
- Five key building blocks to financial reports (assets, liabilities, revenues, expenditures and equity)
- Accounting equations represent relationship between the building blocks
- The financial statements are integrated
- CASH IS KING!!!
- Ratio analysis is a valuable tool to interpret financial information



What are Financial Projections?

- Estimated income statement, balance sheet and cash flow statements for a period of time in the future
- Essentially forecasts of financial performance and financial position

ADB Project Financial Projections

- Financial projections include income statement, balance sheet and cash flow statement
- Presentation format should follow the enterprise's chart of accounts
- Projections should be prepared in domestic current terms and should take into account the potential impact of inflation and foreign exchange rate fluctuations



ADB Project Financial Projections

- Model the risks
- Income statement, balance sheet and cash flow assumptions
- Projections should be completed for a minimum of 5 years, but not usually longer than 10 years.
- 2-3 years of historical financial information should be presented

Revenue vs Non-Revenue

- Project the incremental recurrent costs
- The Expenditure Projections should follow the chart of account classifications
- Model the risks
- Assess EA capacity to absorb the recurrent costs

Financial Internal Rate of Return

- Net present value – present value of future cash flow stream
- FIRR: The discount rate at which the present value of a stream of cash flows is equal to zero (in financial terms)
- Needs a hurdle

Weighted Average Cost of Capital

- Need a project specific hurdle rate (ADB's analysis is from the perspective of the project)
- WACC represents the costs associated with financing the investment
- $FIRR > WACC = \text{Financial Viability}$

How to Compute the FIRR

- Cash basis
- Incremental – with versus without the project
- Real versus nominal – remove impacts of inflation and foreign exchange fluctuation
- After tax – remove tax impact

Issues

- Time frame
 - Estimated economic life of the assets
 - Not the loan term!
 - Same as EIRR
 - If shorter than economic life, include a residual value
- Depreciation Excluded
- Interest, Debt Service Payments, and Dividends excluded

WACC

- Real terms on an after tax basis
- Each component of the financing plan is costed individually
- Weighting based on proportionate contribution by each source to the total financing plan

Financial Evaluation

- Comparison of FIRR to WACC
- Key Ratios, FIRR and WACC should be subjected to sensitivity analysis
- Assess whether the financial evaluation is robust (i.e can withstand variations in key assumptions)

Financial Risks

- Risk Identification
 - What events or occurrences could adversely impact project viability and/or sustainability
- Mitigation Measures

Assurances

- An assurance is a declaration of intent to perform certain activities or agree to certain conditions
- Not legally binding
- Appropriate for RRP, as the RRP precedes signing of the loan agreement

Covenant

- A written and signed “pledge”
- Two parties sign and are legally bound to certain actions, conditions, etc.
- Covenants documented in the Loan agreement
- Assurances are not actionable, but covenants are.

Examples of Common Financial Covenants

- Audit requirements
- Financial ratios (eg. Debt:equity ratio; self-financing ratio; current ratio)
- Operating ratios (eg. reduced transmission losses, unaccounted for water, improved accounts receivable performance)
- Provision of counterpart funds and agreement to meet incremental recurrent costs

Hints

- Covenants should:
 - be realistic and achievable;
 - address risks;
 - clearly stated; and
 - measurable

Financial Management and Development Effectiveness

- “ring fencing” versus reliance on country systems
- PIUs/PMOs
- Sustainability
- Development Impact versus Fiduciary control

Financial Management Assessment (FMA)

- Objective – to assess whether or not financial management arrangements are sufficient for purposes of recording transactions, preparing reliable financial statements and for safeguarding assets
- Issues or weaknesses identified need to be taken into consideration either through project design or implementation arrangements

FMA – How?

- Review of country and/or previous EA/IA financial management diagnostics
- Complete FMAQ and/or update FMA previously completed for the EA/IA
- Identify risks and/or issues associated with EA/IA financial management arrangements
- Develop appropriate mitigation measures

FMA – When and Who?

- The FMA should be undertaken as early as possible, preferably during early stages of the PPTA
 - Provides sufficient time to develop mitigating measures
- FMAQ is self assessment instrument
 - Domestic consultants can assist EA

Thank you

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