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Project Evaluation for Sustainable Infrastructure

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Outline

This course aims to provide the methods necessary to undertake project evaluation and cost benefit analysis for sustainable infrastructure. The methods comprise of microeconomics background, cost benefit analysis, valuing market and non-market goods, and other technical issues. Case studies of various infrastructures are also provided.

Grade

Attendance 10%

Presentation 20%

Report 20%

Final Exam 50%

Text Book and References

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Cost Benefit Analysis of Transport Infrastructure Projects.

Aims of Project Evaluation

To evaluate the feasibility of infrastructure investment project under limited budget.

- to be viable or rejected
- to compare alternatives, priority
- to capture the significant impact
- to support decision-making
- to report the result in a consistent (scientific) form [Accountability for the public]

What is Cost Benefit Analysis?

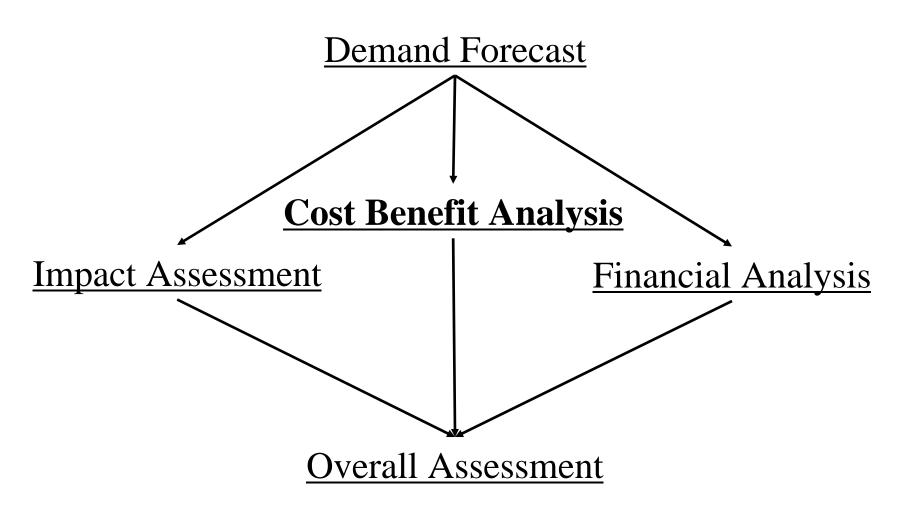
Cost Benefit Analysis

- Economic or Social Viewpoint (Quantifying in monetary terms [Monetizing]) Benefit, Cost, Utility, Efficiency... NSB (Net Social Benefit) =B (Social Benefit) -C (Social Cost)

Financial (Individual) Analysis

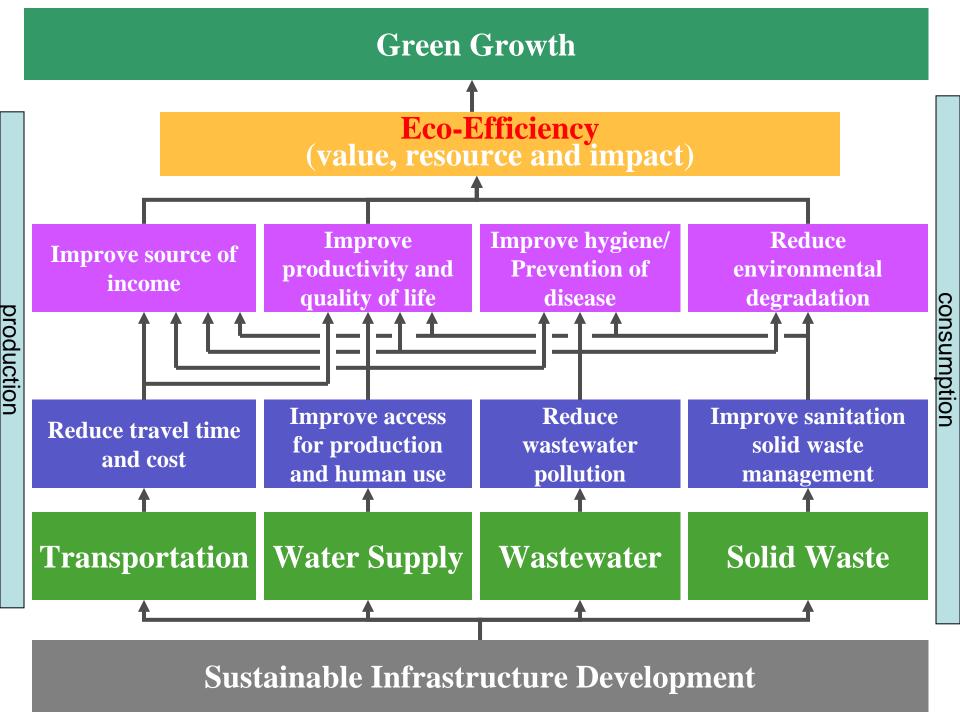
- Private Viewpoint Revenue & Expenditure

Overall Scheme in Transport Infrastructure Projects



Major Steps in CBA

- 1. Specify the set of alternative projects
- 2. Decide whose benefits and costs count
- 3. Catalogue the impacts and select measurement indicators
- 4. Predicts the impacts quantitatively over the life of the projects
- 5. Monetize all impacts
- 6. Discount benefits and costs to obtain present values
- 7. Compute the net present value of each alternative
- 8. Perform sensitivity analysis
- 9. Make a recommendation



Characteristics of Infrastructure

- Collective Consumption (Non-rivalness)
 Consuming same goods and services simultaneously by several consumers
- 2. Non-excludable (Non-excludability)
 Impossible to exclude consumers from use of goods and services.
- 3. Large-scale investment Need huge financial source, Risk of investment
- 4. Long life span Long redemption, Generational burden of cost
- 5. Requisite Price inelasticity, Monopoly Price
- 7. Diminishing cost Large fixed cost (initial investment cost),

Low marginal cost (operation cost)

Infrastructure is a capital which must be insufficient with required level if it is invested by private entities.