IGES Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Project Database
-Facilitating projects to promote development and reduce greenhouse gases-

The IGES CDM Project Database provides information to research and analyze overall CDM projects trends and the process of CDM project development and credit issuance. The database has been used to help facilitate the development of CDM projects, support recommendations to improve the CDM process itself and help design other carbon market mechanisms.

**Issue**

- Market mechanisms such as the CDM have strong potential to support low carbon development while at the same time reducing GHG emissions.
- Good analysis and quality organized data are necessary in order to assess how well the CDM and other mechanisms are functioning and make recommendations for improvement.

**Role of IGES**

- Basic detailed project documents are available on the UNFCCC website.
- IGES compiles and arranges the data to facilitate comparison and analysis.
- Data is exchanged with the UNFCCC secretariat for cross checking under the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between IGES and UNFCCC secretariat.

**Impacts**

The IGES database has been

1. A foundation of quantitative research on the CDM by IGES and others, highlighting the latest CDM issues
2. Also a basis of recommendations for improvement of the CDM process and lessens for other mechanisms
3. Used to facilitate project development

**Examples of Impacts**

- **International Policy Making**
  - Revised rules of the CDM (positive list and calculation of GEF) for the **additionality demonstration and the introduction of excel sheet for Standardized Baseline**

- **National Policy Making**
  - Supported **domestic rules for CDM programmes** (Mongolia)
  - Introduced **grid emission factor into national policy** (Cambodia, Philippines)

- **Used by Stakeholders**
  - **Referred to by** reports of other institutions such as OECD, World Bank and UNFCCC

Under the MOU between IGES and UNFCCC Secretariat

- Collecting information and downloading many documents from UNFCCC website
- Every month Exchange CDM project information
- Before a week UNFCCC database

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- IGES policy Research /analysis

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