

# Renewable Energy Development in Jamaica

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# Introduction

- Energy vital to growth and socio-economic development
- Domestic market highly susceptible to world energy market disruptions
  - Jamaica imports fossil fuels to satisfy 90% of energy needs
- Local efforts focus on affordable and reliable supply
  - Considerations for minimum environmental damage
  - Monitoring and evaluating the utilization of limited resources important (physical, financial and technical)
- Institutional framework key to sustainability (legislation, regulation, pricing, production and use)

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# UTILIZATION AND CURRENT STATE

#### **Domestic Renewable Energy Market**

Several forms of renewable sources available in Jamaica

- Fuels (ethanol, biodiesel)
- Electricity (wind, hydro, solar)
- Solids (bagasse, woodchips, fuel wood)
- Gases (biogas)

#### Renewables

(wind, so<mark>lar, hydro,</mark> biomass – biofuels, biogas, charcoal, fuel woodchips)

#### • Electricity

- Transportation (road)
- Electricity generation
- Residential
- Manufacturing
- Agriculture Processing
- Service sector

- Driving
- Lighting
- Refrigeration
- Process heating
- Cooking

#### **Renewable Energy Consumption Trends**



# **Energy Supply and Consumption (boe)**

	Petroleum Imports	Renewable Consumption	Other Energy Available (Coal)	Total Supply	RE in mix (%)
2004	25,530,179	1,579,000	323,000	27,432,179	6%
2005	27,033,983	1,334,500	259,000	28,627,483	5%
2006	29,990,474	1,521,000	186,624	31,698,099	5%
2007	29,086,636	1,503,000	176,000	30,765,636	5%
2008	28,310,718	1,674,279	389,000	30,373,997	6%
2009	21,607,004	1,559,652	167,000	23,333,656	7%
2010	19,968,327	1,569,364	139,000	21,676,691	7%
2011	20,616,766	1,758,689	361,000	22,736,454	8%
2012	19,733,569	1,758,436	284,000	21,776,005	8%



# INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

## **Policies and Plans**

 Planning strategies created and are being implemented



- National Development Plan Vision 2030 Jamaica
- National Energy Policy 2009-2030 (promulgated)
  - National Renewable Energy Policy (draft)
  - National Biofuels Policy (draft)
  - National Policy for the Trading of Carbon Emissions (draft)

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#### Medium term strategies

- National Energy Action Plans
  - Outlines projects and programs over 3 year periods

## National Renewable Energy Focus

#### Policy Goals

- Economic, infrastructural and planning conditions conducive to RE Development
- Financial and fiscal policy instruments
- Legislative and regulatory environment All Island Electric Act (2011)
- Technology development and promotion and introduction of RETs





# RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT

### **Contribution to Electricity**





#### **Growth in Net Generation (GWh)**



## **Timeline of Recent Milestones**

#### <u>Wind</u>

- Wigton Wind Farm
  - Phase I 20.7MW (2004)
  - Phase II 18MW (2010)
  - Phase III 24 MW (2015)
- Munroe 3MW (2009)
- Blue Mountain Renewables LLC 34MW (2015)

#### Hydro power

- Constant Spring Re-commissioned (2009)
- Maggoty 7.2MW (2014)
- Feasibility and Pre feasibility on several sites (2014)

#### <u>Solar</u>

• WRB Enterprises – 20MW (2015)

#### **Biofuels**

- Ethanol blended Gasolene 2010
- Biodiesel Pilot Project 2011

# Renewable Energy Projects/Programmes (2013)

- OUR 115 MW RFP 78MW (energy only)
  - Wigton Wind Farm 24 MW (Wind)
  - Blue Mountain Renewables LLC 34 MW (Wind)
  - WRB Enterprises 20 MW (Solar)
- Smart Grid Roadmap for Jamaica (MSTEM & World Bank)
- Grid Impact Assessment and Analysis (MSTEM & World Bank)
- Five (5) hydro power Feasibility Studies (MSTEM, PCJ & World Bank)
- Sustainable Energy Road Map for Jamaica (MSTEM & Worldwatch Institute)
- Biodiesel Pilot Project PCJ and Min. of Agriculture & Fisheries
- Wind Resource Assessment 20 Sites (IDB and PCJ)

# Renewable Energy Projects/Programmes (2013)

- Solar Market Survey (PCJ)
- Solar-Hydrogen Gas for Domestic Cooking (UTech, MSTEM, Bureau of Standards Jamaica, UWI & Brunel University)
- First Edition of Online Tutored Course Implementing RE & EE in the Hotel Industry in the Caribbean (JTHA)
- Net Billing (OUR, MSTEM (GEI), JPS, BSJ & Small Scale RE producers)
  - Standard Offer Contract
  - Licences issued
  - Inspection of renewable energy facilities
- Wind Power for Domestic/Community Feasibility Study and Regulatory Review (MSTEM & UNDP)
- Solar Energy Pilot Project for the installation of PV systems targeting rural communities commenced (*REP*)

# **Concluding Remarks**

- Energy encompasses every aspect of our lives
- Pursuing renewable energy makes economic sense
- Wise long-term planning can contribute significantly to growth and development
- Government's leading and facilitating role very crucial throughout the process
- Private sector encouraged to pursue indigenous RE investment opportunities
- Tertiary institutions involvement necessary to bolster technical and human capacity
- Huge potential for renewable energy exists

# **Thank You**

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