Implementing the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Guyana's City and Towns

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Guyana’s Green State Development Strategy (GSDS)
6 Principles of the Guyana Green State Development Strategy

- Social cohesion and inclusion
- Wellbeing, Education and Good life
- Sustainable use of biodiversity and resource efficiency
- Decarbonisation and climate resilience
- Sustainable finance and investments
- Good governance
7 Central Themes of the Guyana Green State Development Strategy

- Green & Inclusive Structural Transformation
- Sustainable management of natural resources
- Energy – transition towards renewable energy
- Resilient infrastructure and spatial development
- Human development and wellbeing
- Governance and institutional foundations
- International cooperation, trade and investment
Resource extraction for sustainable development (wood, gold, white & brown sand, Loam, laterite, bauxite, bauxite over burden, water)

Sustainable productive, climate resilient and diversified agriculture

Green, inclusive, high value-adding, industrial development

Enabling business environment. (Tax exemption, low electricity cost, peaceful environment, transportation (water, Land, Air)

Micro, small, medium and large farms:
Medicinal plants, Herbs and spices
Roots and tubers
Fruits and vegetables
Small ruminants and poultry
Diversification in home- encouraging populace to feed themselves – Kitchen garden/container gardening
• Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of forests, biodiversity, land quality and fresh water resources
• Protection, restoration and sustainable use of coastal and marine resources
• We have embarked on this forest reclamation process. Particularly in the mining communities.
• Achieving a transition to 100% renewable energy in the power sector
• Achieving affordable, reliable and clean energy services for all
• Ensuring security and quality of energy for business growth
• Increasing energy efficiency

Low cost of electricity – Continued education on saving energy
Financial incentives for green energy solutions
Alternative energy resources
  - Solar Energy
  - Solar Street lighting

cooperate social responsibility and public private partnership
Coastal resilience and sustainable infrastructure
- Inclusive and green urban settlements

Town Planning – Zoning
Development of our river front
smart infrastructure - energy efficient and climate resilient and low carbon activities and initiative.
• Ensure healthy and socially secured people
• Empowering Youth and Indigenous People
• Access to Good Quality Education, Human Development and Green Skills

life style change
- eating, drinking and thinking right
education alternative, interactive
• Transparency, Good Governance and rule of law
• Knowledge management, information and Communications

Section 3 of the Local Democratic Organs Act, Chapter 28:09 states... “to involve as many citizens as possible in the task of managing and developing the communities in which they live and ensuring popular participation in organizing the political, economic, social and cultural life of those communities”. We also include the environmental aspect.

Extract from the constitution of Guyana.. Reconstititutional Provision on Local Government

Currently we are engaging the reorganization of the Local Government System in Guyana.
**United States Government:** Humanitarian and Civic Assistance Exercise: Civic assistance focus on medical readiness, training and engineering construction projects.

- United Kingdom
- Russia -RUSAL
- Chinese Government
- India – Solar

LEN -
FAO-
PAHO-
- Islamic Bank
IDB
CIDA
CDB/ Basic Needs Trust Fund/
Ministry Of Finance
EU
2 Foundation Principles

- Financing and resource mobilisation
- Indicators, monitoring and evaluation
Functions, Responsibilities and Powers of Local Democratic Organs

• Efficient management and sustainable development of their areas and to give leadership by example. (action and development oriented)

• Create the environment and establish facilities to enable political, economic, social, environmental and cultural life of the people.

• Private/ Public partnerships – that encourages economic activities, stimulating production, promoting increasingly higher levels of efficiency, maintaining and preserving public prosperity, protecting communities from criminals, vandals and other anti-social activities. Raising cultural standards and levels of civic consciousness
• Generally safeguarding and improving their legal and other rights.

• Education and training drives
• Involvement of youth in local governance.
Thank You