Adding a New Country Part 5: Building Block Assessment

MALE SPEAKER: Hi, and welcome to part 5 of our third video on adding a new country. In the previous video, we just finished up looking at the achievable potential results. And so, now we're going to continue onto the EE building block assessment path.

So the sole input tab for this path is the EE building block assessment tab. And when you come here, all of the answers to the questions will be blank, and you first want to modify these questions as is appropriate for your country. So, for instance, for Uganda, we're going to modify this question here--about the effort to maintain an inventory of energy efficiency technologies--to maintain energy data exists. Because we want to highlight for this, that the government does do a pretty good job of collecting energy data on the country. They don't collect as nearly as in-depth as, say, a country such as the United States, but there is a significant involvement there.

And so, now what we'll do is we'll pause the video, go through and fill all these in, and I'll come back and explain a couple of the answers we provided to this section here.

Okay, so now we've filled in all of our questions for the different sections. So, let's talk through a couple of the answers to these. So, for instance, here, this question about energy service companies. We've answered this as emerging for Uganda because even though there's only, you could argue, maybe one or two operational ESCOs in the country right now, they are making significant efforts in the form of some of the legislation and an energy efficiency bill, as well as just some of the general efforts from the Ministry of Energy to encourage a larger market for ESCOs. So, we say emerging for that.

On the other hand, for instance, for this question about, are customers discouraged by the high cost of, you know, implementing energy efficiency measures, we're going to say no here. You'll see here that this is our customers not discouraged. And so we say no. Unfortunately, they are discouraged by that high incremental cost, as many customers are in the developing-world and non-developing world context.

And so, this is an important thing to point out that when you're modifying the questions, that the only rule for adding a new question or for modifying the questions is that a positive

answer to the question should be yes. So, customers not discouraged by a high initial cost? Yes is a positive answer.

All right, so, with all of our questions answered here, let's go view our results. Again, the results are the same on either technical or the achievable output tabs because this EE building block assessment path is independent of the EE potential path. And so, it's the same for either one. We have the spider graph here. And so, we can see that really we need to focus the most on public awareness and really getting some, maybe some information campaigns out there if they don't already exist. Again, you know, we have our list of just general recommended policies so that, you know, the country may or may not be doing these things, but these are definitely policies that could be used to encourage increasing the level of development for this building block area.

Okay, so that's it for part 5 and wraps up our video 3. Tune back in for our final video.

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