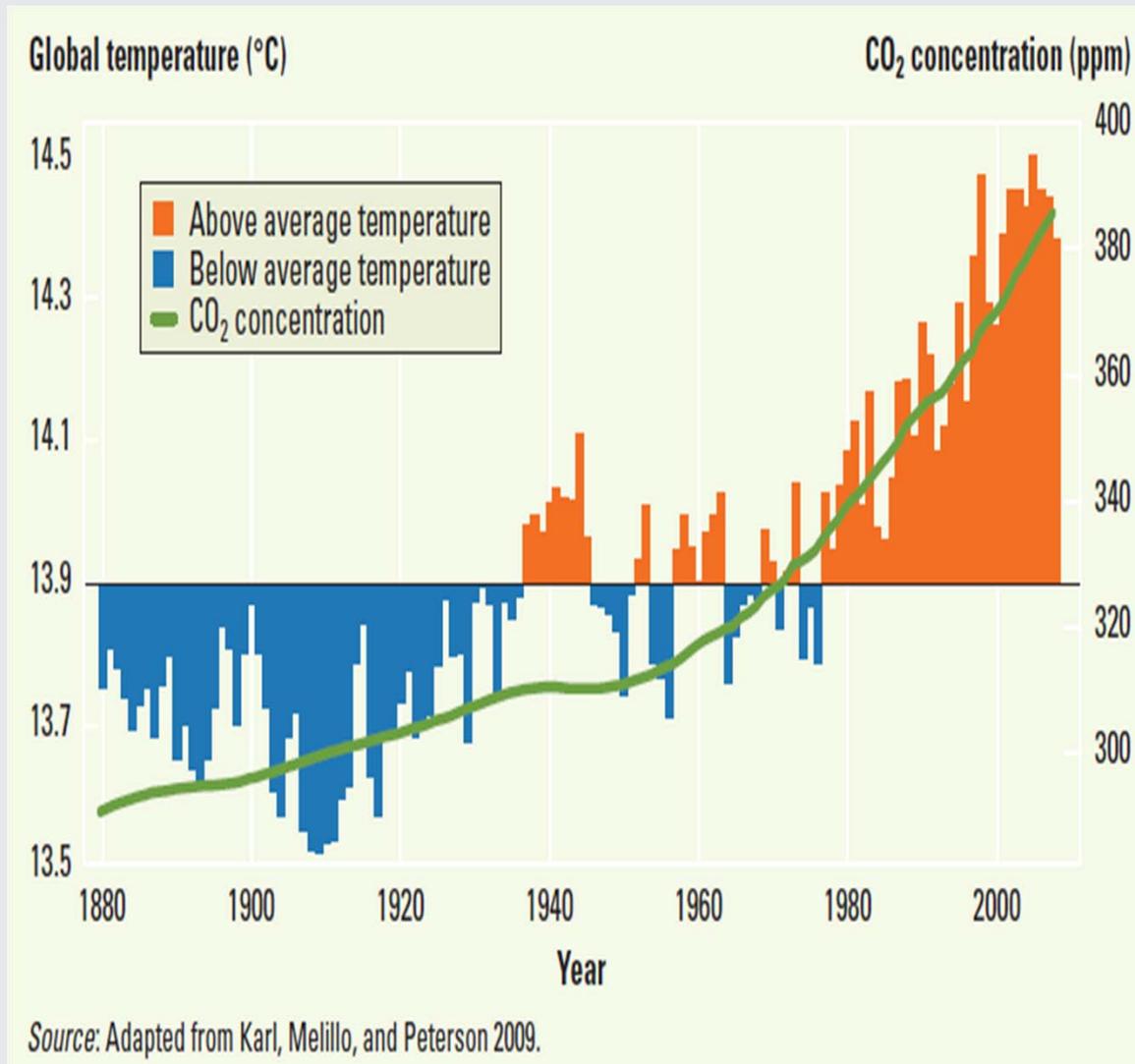


# Climate Change

## Implications for Central Finance Agencies



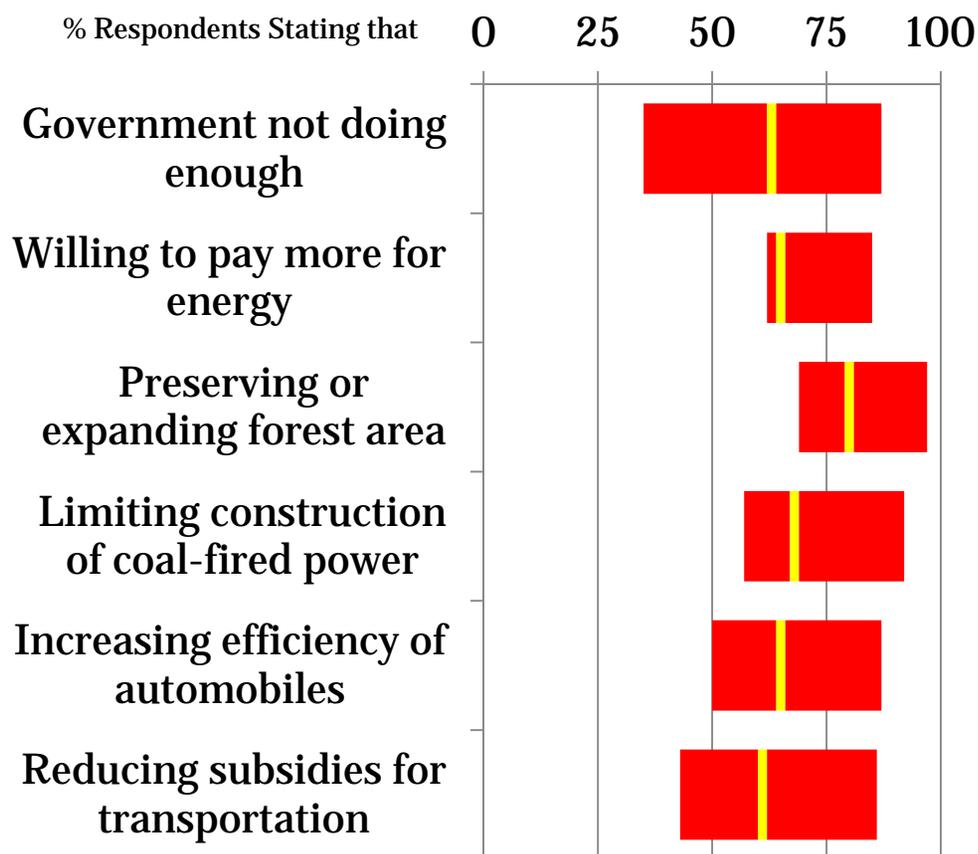
# Why should we care?



- 70-80 % of cost of climate change borne by developing countries
- 2°C rise could reduce GDP in Asia and Africa by 5%
- Increased risk and cost of climate hazards

# Why should central finance agencies care?

## Public Opinion Survey 18 Developing Countries (2009)



Source: Data WDR 2010 Background Papers

- ✓ **Realize Benefits**
- ✓ **Mitigate Risks**
- ✓ **Fulfill International Commitments**
- ✓ **Financial Incentives**
- ? **Manage tradeoffs across political cycle**

# **Adaptation Policy: What to spend on, how much and when**



1. Vulnerability Assessment: national, sectors, regions
2. Promote resilience and adaptation by households, communities, private sector and local authorities
3. Invest in hard-adaptation when economic case
4. Avoid lock-ins and enable flexibility

# Mitigation Policy: Changing Behavior

53%



25%



22%

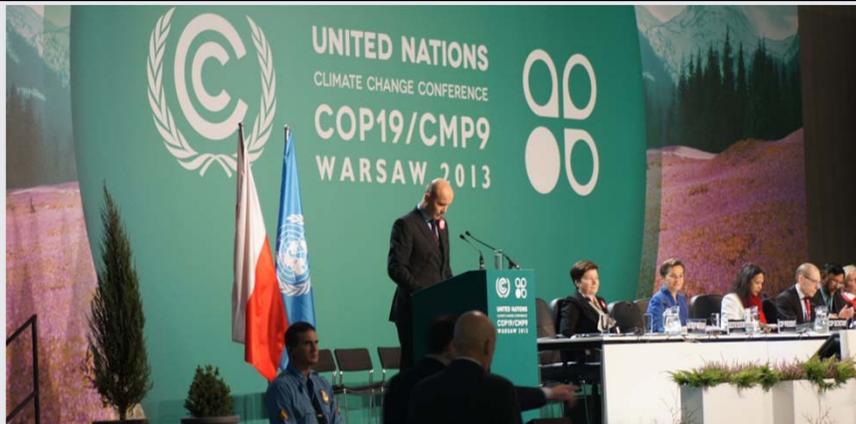


- **Getting prices right:** fossil fuel subsidies, carbon pricing, congestion charging
- **Regulation:** efficiency standards, fuel blend, energy sources
- **Public investment:** innovation, subsidies, infrastructure
- **Incentives:** Payments for environmental services (REDD+), resource ownership
- **Regulation:** land use zoning, environmental protection
- **Public investment:** increase land productivity

# Whole of Government Solution

## Climate Change Focus

- Driven by UNFCCC processes (National Communications, National Adaptation Plans, Low Emission Development Strategies)
- Led by environment / specialist Climate Change agencies



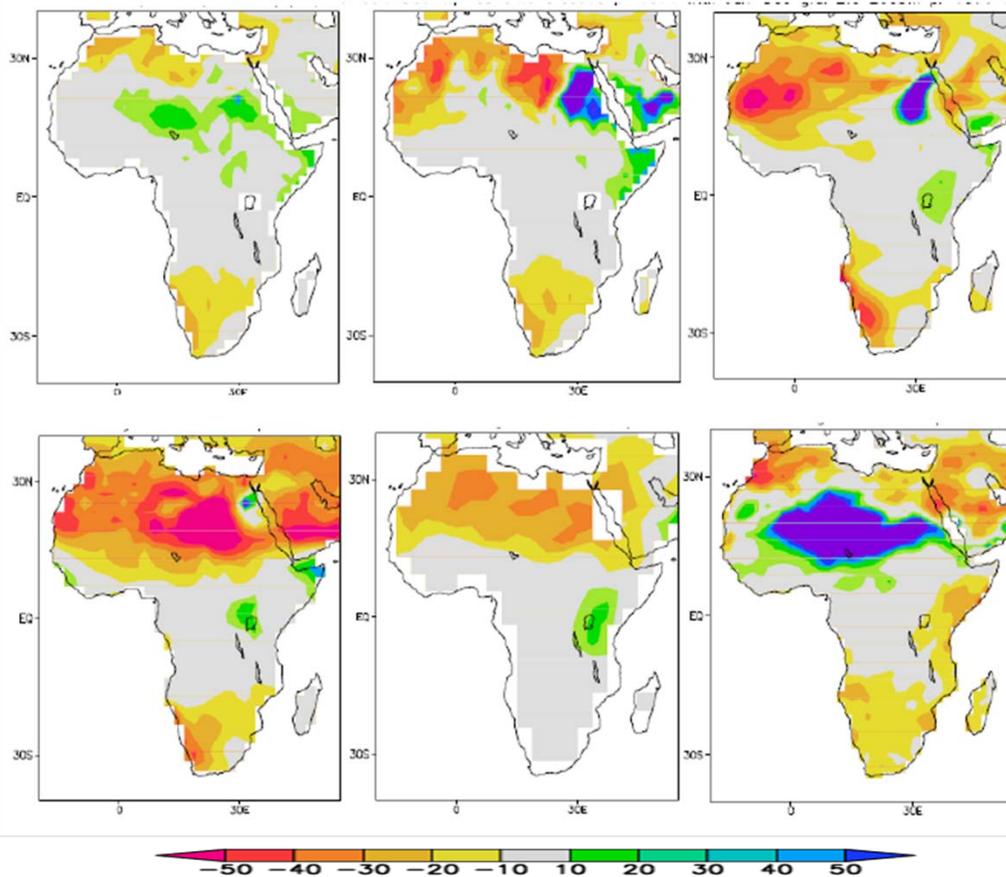
## Development Focus

- Driven by routine planning and decision-making (budget)
- Leadership, coordination and leverage from center
- Targets public, private, households and local government
- Long-term policy continuity: targets, legislation



# Uncertainty

**Percentage change in annual mean precipitation in 2050 compared with 1971-2000 average in selected climate models.**

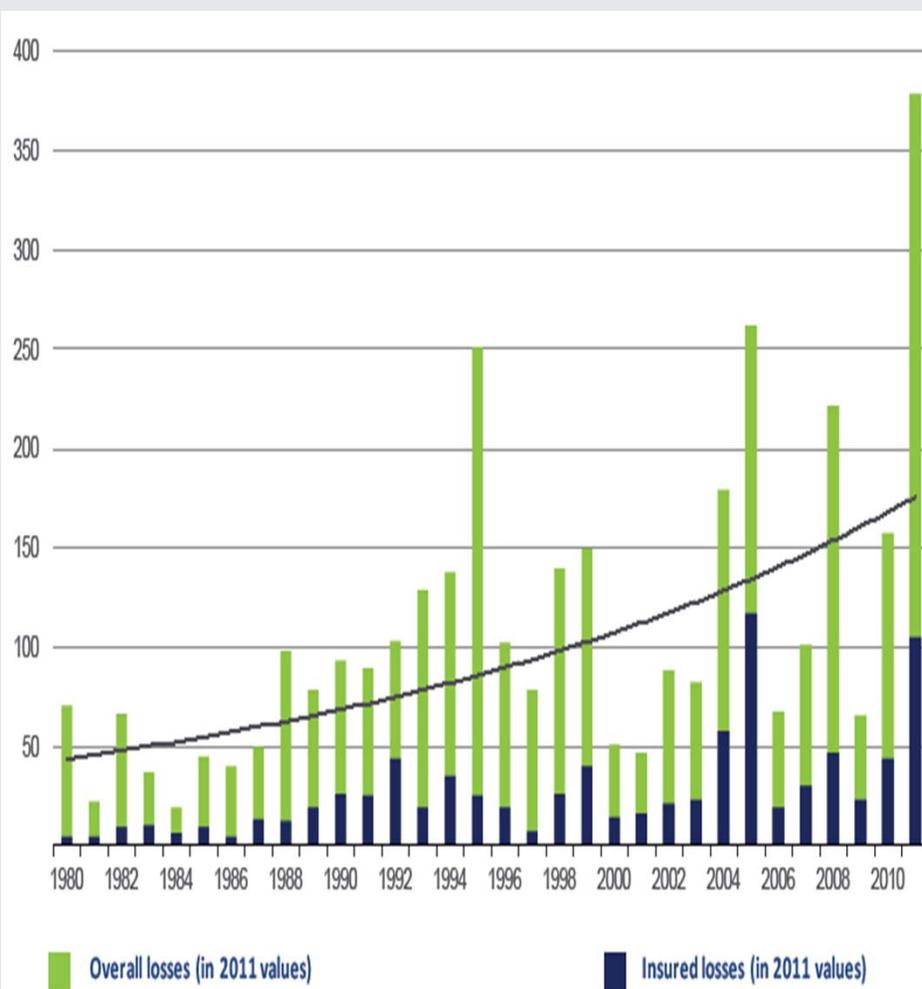


**Climate Change demands a change in approach to decision-making:**

- Acknowledge uncertainty
- Incorporate flexibility and learning into policies, programs and engineering design
- Consider emerging techniques for largest, highest risk investments:
  - Probabilistic Scenarios
  - Robust Decision-Making
  - Real Options

# Risk Management

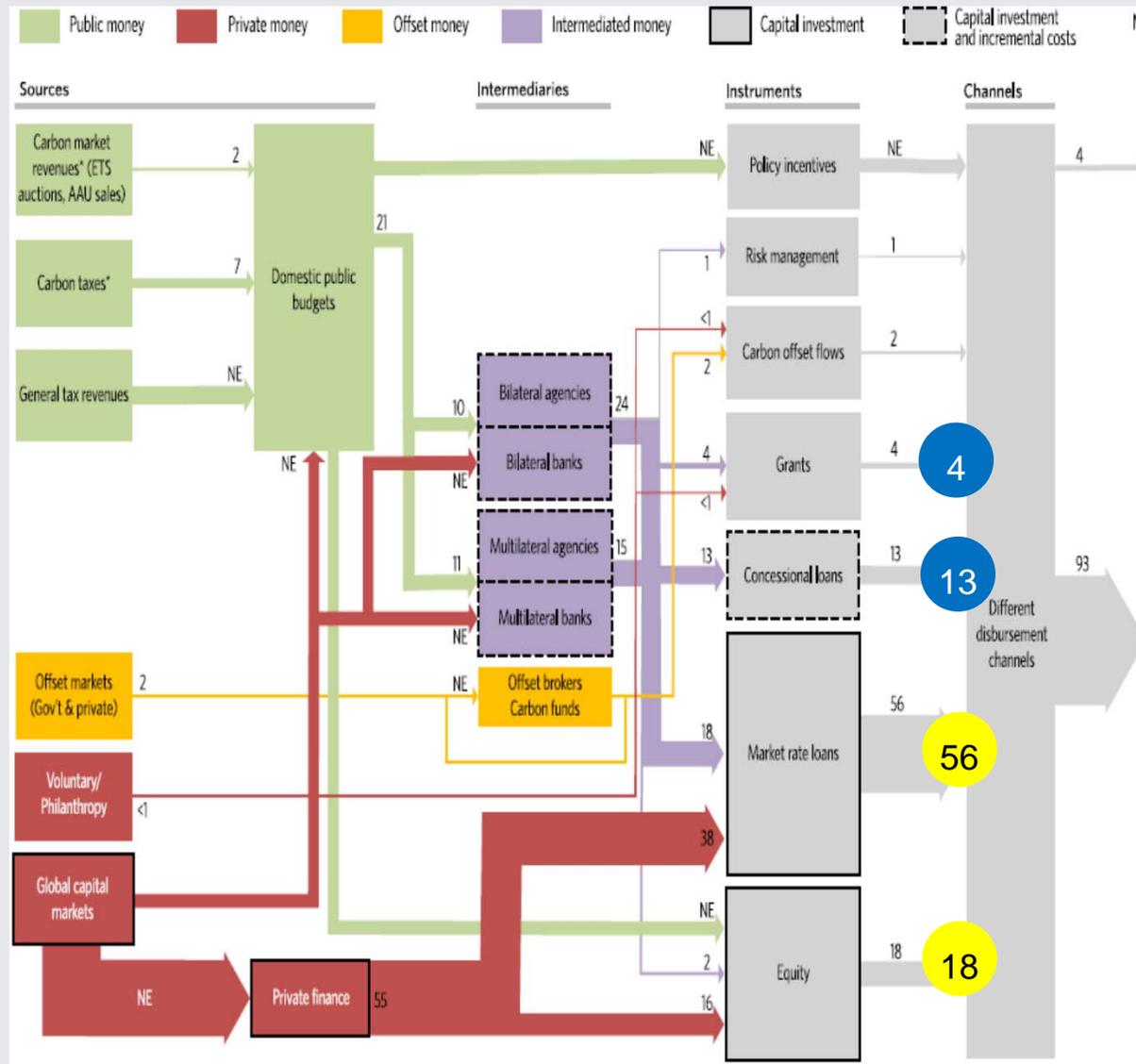
Insured and Uninsured Cost of Disasters  
(US\$ billion, Constant 2011 prices)



Source: G20, 2012

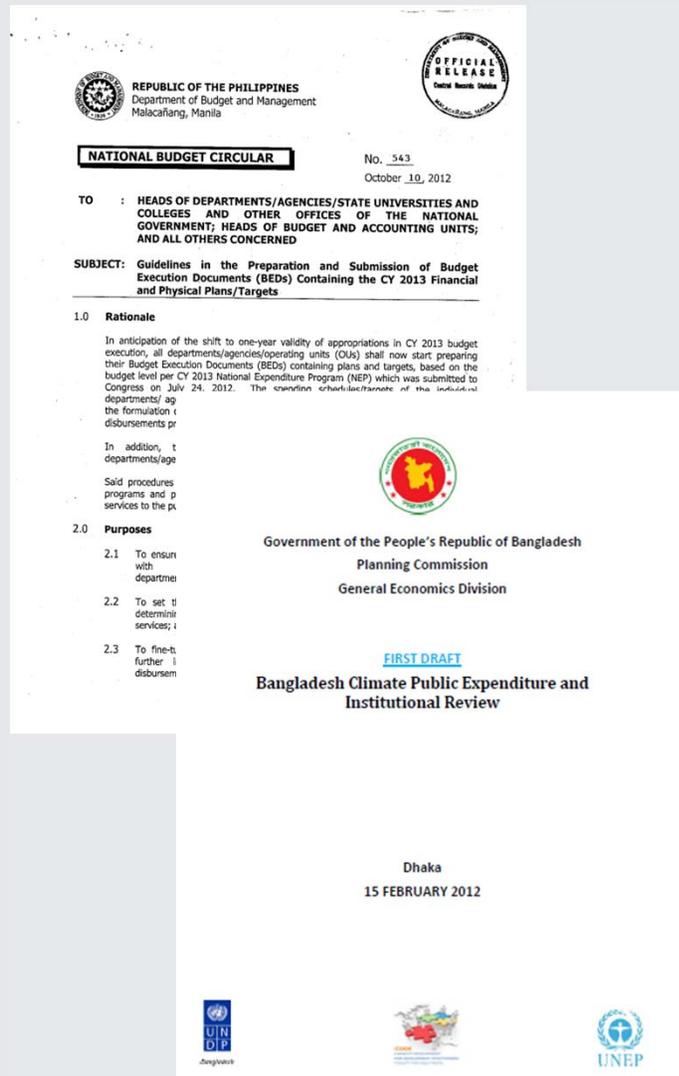
1. Risk Assessment
2. Assign responsibility and define liability to avoid moral hazards: households, private sector, local government, central government
3. Promote risk reduction: information, regulation, invest protection
4. Manage financial risk proactively: layering instruments
5. Plan ahead for response to extreme events

# Mobilizing Finance



- Private sector source and destination of most CC financing
- Public CC funds geared to financing mitigation
- Public CC funds seek to leverage private financing
- Public CC funds earmarked, projectized and follow segregated procedures
- Slow move towards flexible modalities

# Financial Management



- Budget and Public Investment Guidance
- Present CC policies and their expenditure implications
- Acknowledge off-budget and “dirty” expenditures
- Consider expenditure targets, virtual funds
- Climate change funds

# Key Messages for Central Finance Agencies

## Why?

- ✓ Climate change is **your** problem and **you** have to take the lead in government response
- ✓ Climate change can be reconciled with development and poverty reduction objectives

## How?

- ✓ Integrate climate change strategy in routine plans and budgets
- ✓ Acknowledge uncertainty
- ✓ Proactively manage risk of extreme events
- ✓ Promote household, community, private sector and local government adaptation and mitigation actions