

# **B1. Green Buildings**

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### **KEY DISCUSSION POINTS**

- **1. Incentives** (economic or not) help promote green buildings (*e.g. green certification; tax credit; additional floor or land space; lowering barriers for private sector*)
- **2. Regulations, laws, and compliance** also help support green building development (*e.g. ordinance; penalties; withholding building permits*)
- 3. Extensive **dialogue and engagement** with stakeholders is critical (*e.g. with building owners, tenants, and industry*)
- 4. Essential for **public sector to lead** in green building development
- 5. Many tools are available, but they are **context-dependent** (*e.g. Singapore's situation differs from Quezon City, which differs from Ho Chi Minh City*)



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#### CHALLENGES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Information is key, but **getting sound data and managing that data** can be a challenge also need to ensure **effective communication** of these data
- 2. Integrating green building plans into a city's overall development strategies and goals (e.g. preventing conflicting policies; working across multiple agencies)
- 3. There continues to be a **lack of human resource**, esp. technical expertise in many developing countries

#### SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR "NEW HLS"

- **1. Making the connection** between the national and the sub-national (*e.g. national policies and plans need to connect with city-level implementation*)
- **2. Monitoring, measuring, and tracking progress** of current ESC Model Cities and related partnerships *(e.g. Iskandar)*