THE KAMPALA TRAFFIC FLOW IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:

(A TRANSPORT SECTOR PROJECT IDEA IN UGANDA)

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Background

- Uganda is land-locked and relies on road transport as the main mode of transport for both goods and people;
- Rapid population growth (estimated at 4.9%) in Kampala;
- The main modes of transport available in Kampala are **minibuses** and private cars;

Problem Statement



There are approximately 200,000 vehicles in the country, with a potential of additional 10,000 vehicles per year. Over 70% are located in Kampala and ply the city roads daily, causing congestion.

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- The demand for transportation energy is continuously growing. GHG emissions will, therefore, continue to increase.
- In Uganda the transport sector accounts for 75% of GHG emissions.
- The increase in motor vehicles, thus the consumption of petroleum products, coupled with the rapid growth of urban populations will impact negatively on human health in urban areas (particularly Kampala).

Consumption of Petroleum Produce in Uganda



Sales of Petroleum Products



Suggested Solutions

- Mitigation options in Uganda should therefore focus on the transport and energy sectors.
- A viable option to reduce traffic congestion while reducing GHG emissions is the introduction of mass transportation.
- The fuel consumption by bus for person per km is less than that for omnibuses.

Analysis for Viability

Benefit Cost Ratio

Buses = 1.32 Petrol omnibus = 1.11 Diesel omnibus = 1.25

Analysis for GHG Emissions

Average Daily Fuel Consumption

- Petrol omnibus = 34.3 litres
- Diesel omnibus = 26.1 litres
- Big bus = 80 litres

Carbon Content Computation

Fuel Type	Kg/m3 Mj/kg		C Kg/GJ
Petrol	720	44	69
Diesel	850	42.7	71

Conclusions

- On average one omnibus produces 18,536 Kg of carbon annually while one big bus produces 61,847 Kg of carbon a year.
- Five omnibuses will produce 92,680 Kg of carbon in a year, which is equivalent to 339,827 Kg of carbon dioxide;
- One big bus produces an equivalent carbon dioxide of 226,771 Kg.
- Use of bus reduces CO₂ emissions by 113,056 Kg per year per bus, which is equivalent to **30,833 Kg of carbon**.

Conclusions

- Over 10,000 omnibuses operate within the city, 90% of which do town service.
- If 50% of the town service omnibuses are replaced with an efficient bus system then 900 buses will be required.

• The total carbon reduction will amount to 27,750 tons.