

Public Finance Management (PFM) & Social Policy

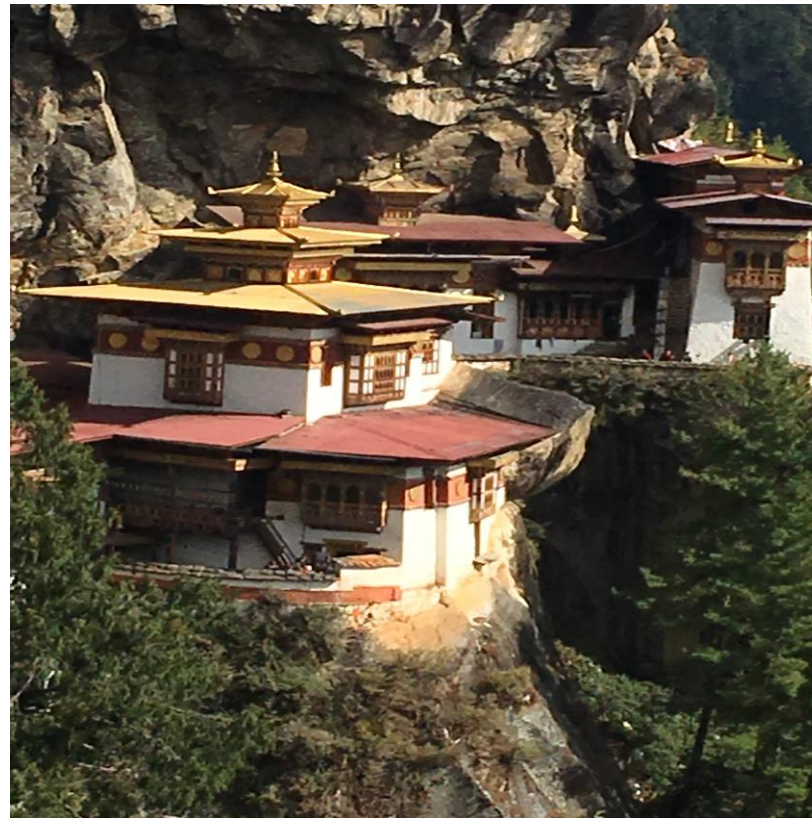
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RBM - DEFINITIONS

DEFINITION

Outcomes: The **changes or effects of the outputs** produced by a program. Outcomes are typically associated with each program. Programs are expected to produce one or more outcomes that are directly linked with the needs/problems of its beneficiary group/s.

Example:

Improved income for farmers

Improved pass rates in education system

Increased trade or economic activities

outcome

Preliminary Outcomes: The changes or effects of the outputs produced by a program that are visible soon after the outputs are produced (*e.g. increase in yield & income*)

Intermediate Outcomes: The changes or effects produced by a program that are a consequence of the preliminary outcomes of a program (*e.g reduction in poverty*)

Tertiary Outcomes: The changes or effects of a program that are consequential to the intermediate outcomes of the program (*e.g improved quality of life*)

DEFINITION

Outputs are generally regarded as the goods and services produced by a program towards achieving one or more outcomes

Outputs should be distinguished in terms of process outputs and program outputs

Process Outputs: The outputs produced by a set of activities or processes (*training completed*)

Program Outputs: The final outputs that were intended to be produced by the program *e.g. increased knowledge and skills gained by the participants*

DEFINITION

Activity: A set of tasks that need to be carried out to produce an output (*e.g. training, counseling, treatment etc*) often classified as processes

Task: A sub-set of an activity. An action that forms part of and makes up an activity (*e.g. curriculum preparation, patient registration*)

Inputs: The resources that go towards carrying out a task or activity (*e.g. financial, personnel*) referred to as factors of production in economic terms



Performance Indicators

The means to show evidence that a program has achieved its intended or planned results. *i.e* Information about a performance aspect that is used for measuring or assessing the performance of a result area

Example:

Quality Index for Quality of Life

Literacy rates

GDP Growth Rate



RBM APPROACH & FOCUS

Programs/ Projects	Traditional Focus	Performance Focus under RBM
Schools Construction	Number of Schools Completed Timeliness of Construction Expenditure against budget	•Increased enrolment •Reduced dropout rate •Improved acad. perf.
Roads Construction	Km of roads constructed Timeliness of Construction Expenditure against budget	•Improved communication •Reduced travel time •Increased economic activities
Farm Extension Services	Number of Farmers advised Number of counseling sessions Expenditure against budget	•Farmers more knowledgeable •Farmers adopt new methods •Farmers productivity/income increase
Vaccination Program	Number of persons vaccinated Area/regions covered Expenditure against budget	•Reduced disease incidence •Reduced mortality rate from disease •Reduced social costs
Training on RBM	Number of officials trained Number RBM workshops held	•Increased knowledge on RBM •Improved dev't planning & results

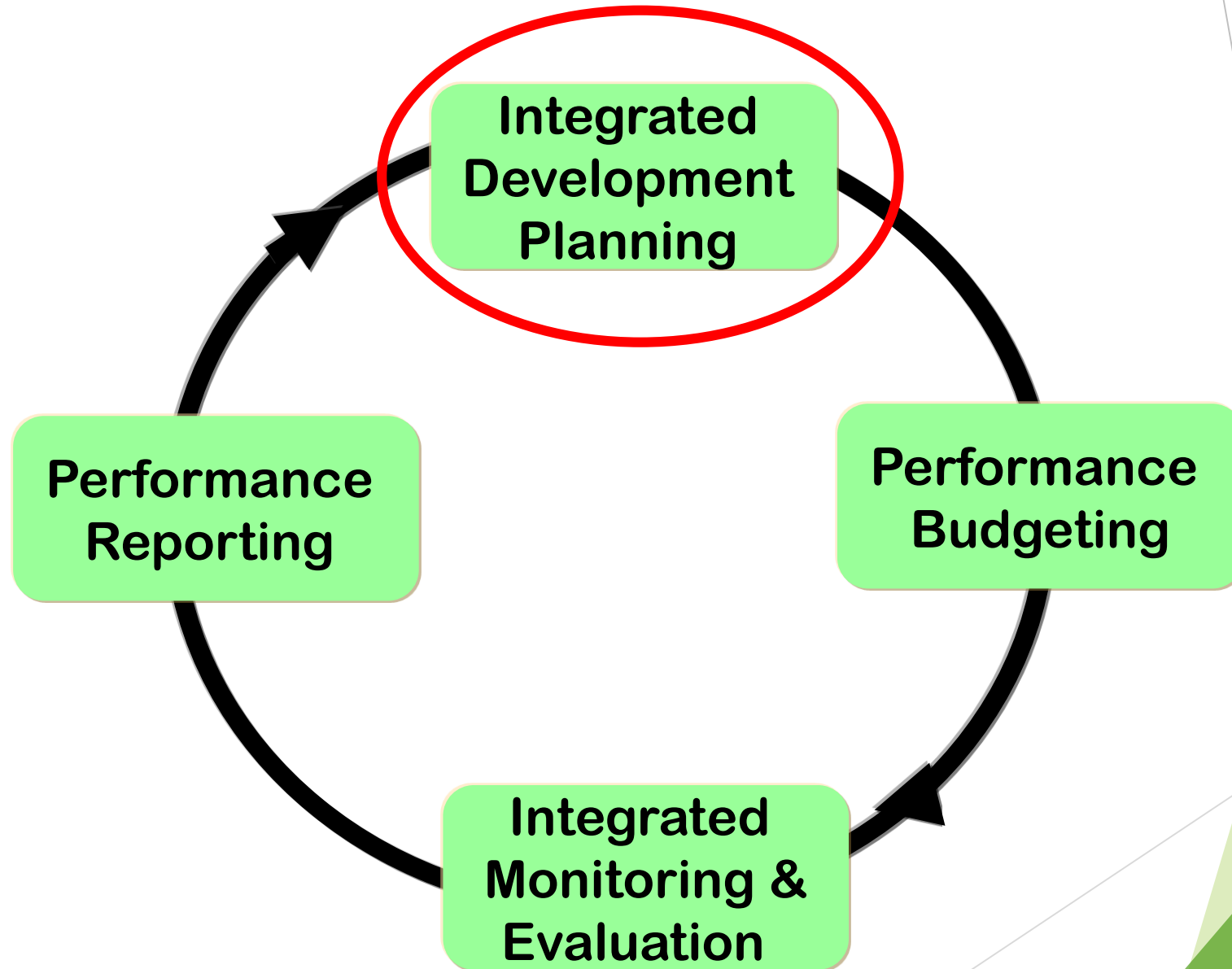
Performance-based Budgeting (PBB)

What is it? What is its purpose? How is it structured?

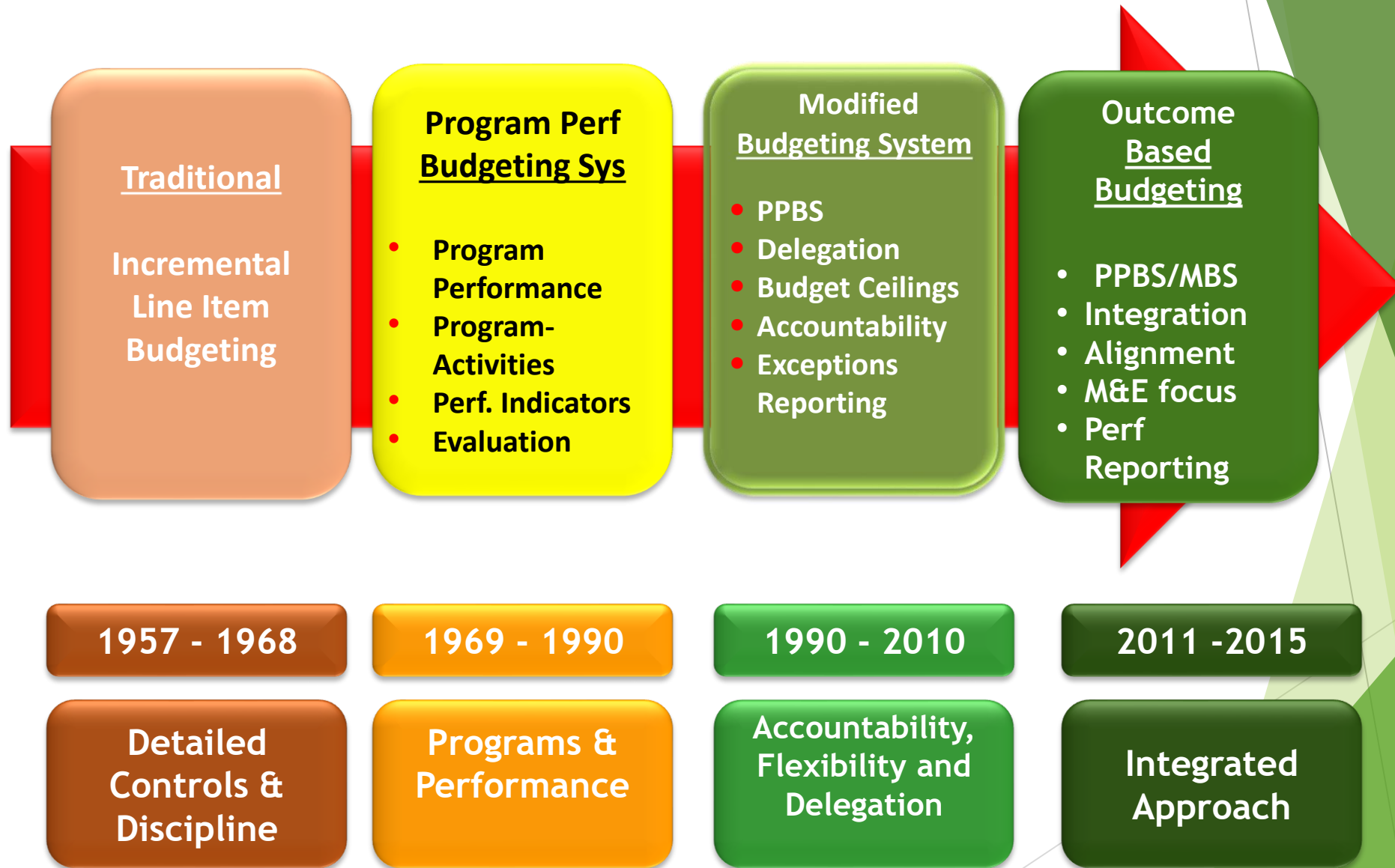
What is “Performance-based Budgeting”?

- ▶ Performance budgeting is the utilization of performance information for the purposes of allocating/re-allocating public resources (e.g. linking an increment/reduction of funding to an increment/reduction of outputs or other results).
- ▶ “Performance budgeting allocates resources based on the achievement of specific ,measurable outcomes”. (Fielding Smith 1999)
- ▶ “Performance budgeting aims to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of public expenditure by linking the funding of public sector organizations to the results they deliver. (Mark Robinson 2009)

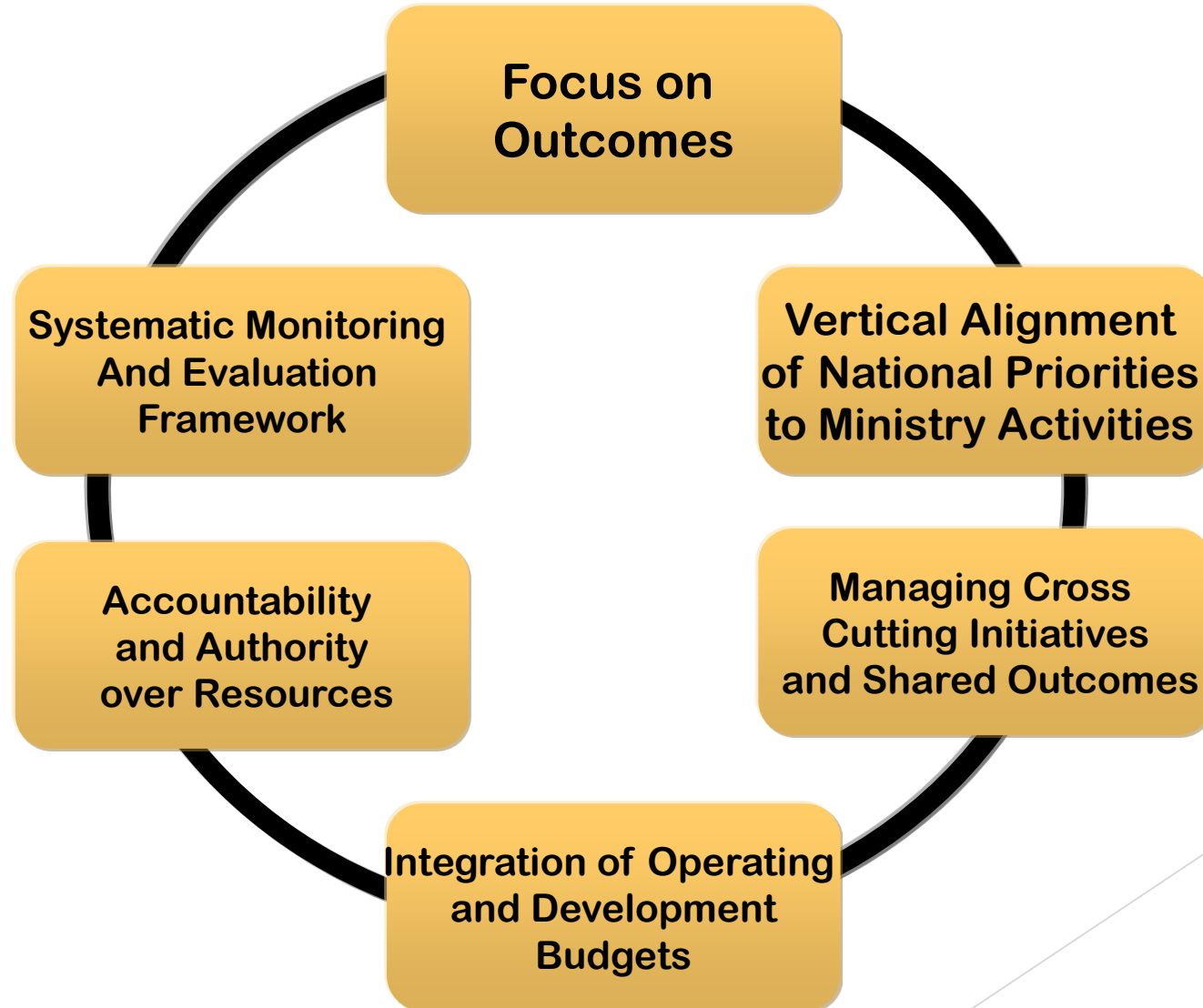
Integrated Strategic Framework



MALAYSIA'S BUDGETING SYSTEM IN PERSPECTIVE

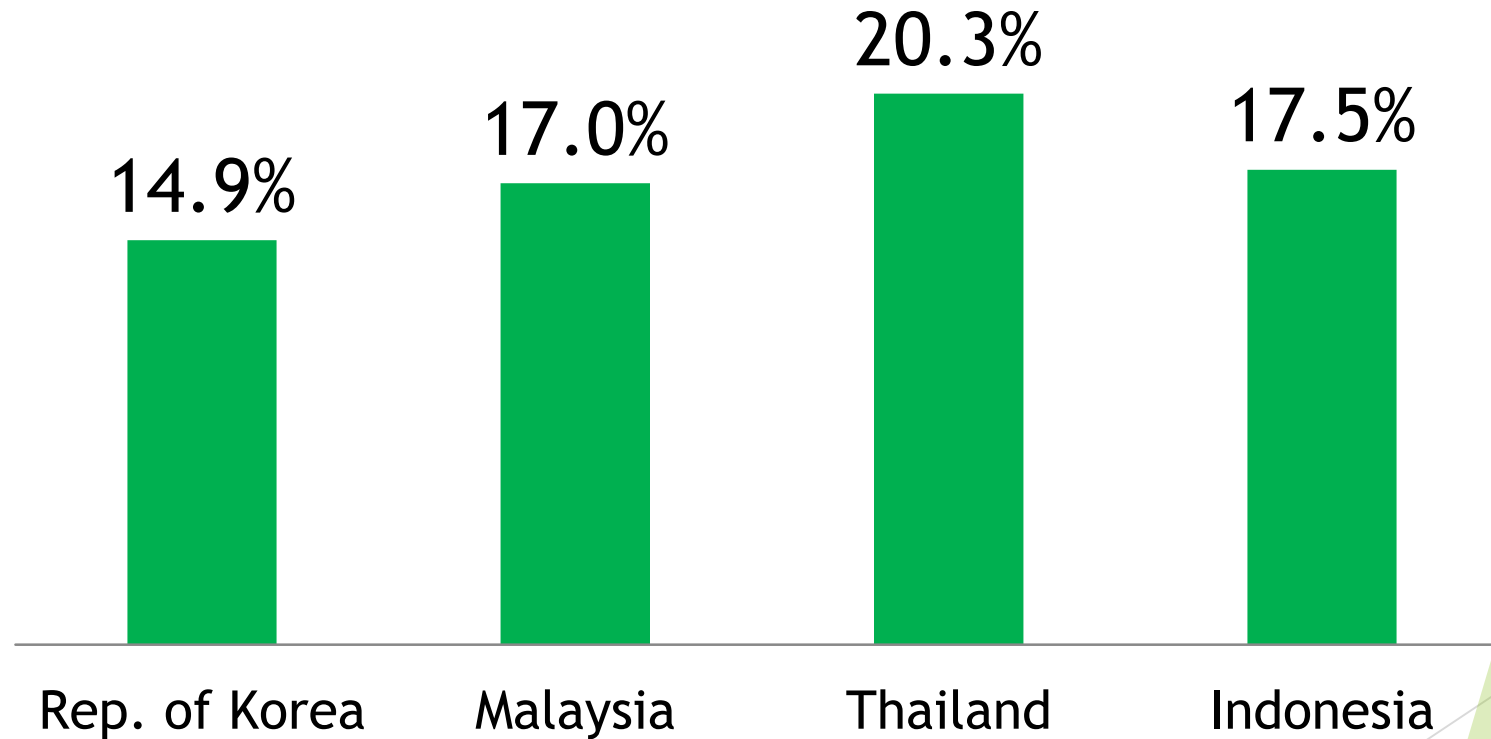


Why Performance-based Budgeting (PBB), or, Outcome-based Budgeting (OBB)?



Levels of expenditure matter BUT...

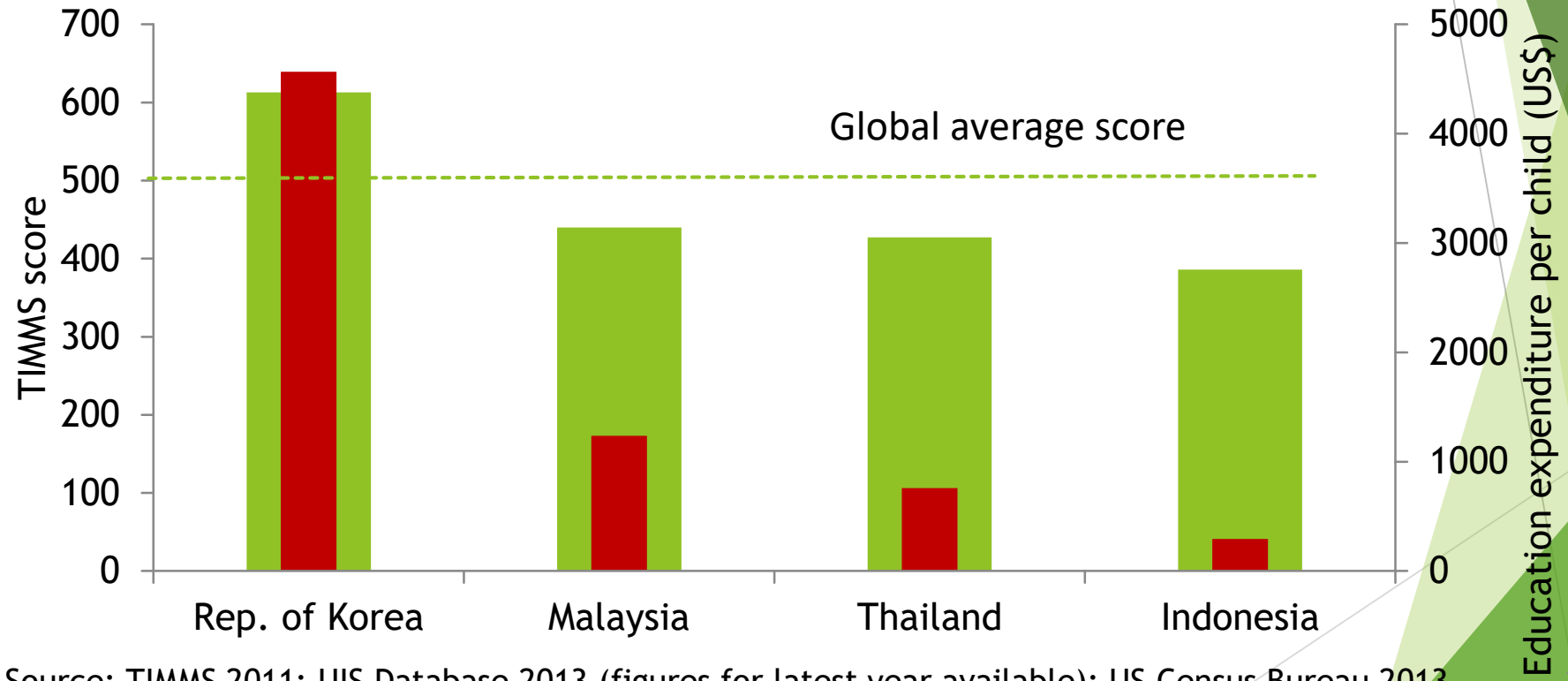
Education budget as % of government expenditure



Source: UIS Database 2013 (figures for latest year available)

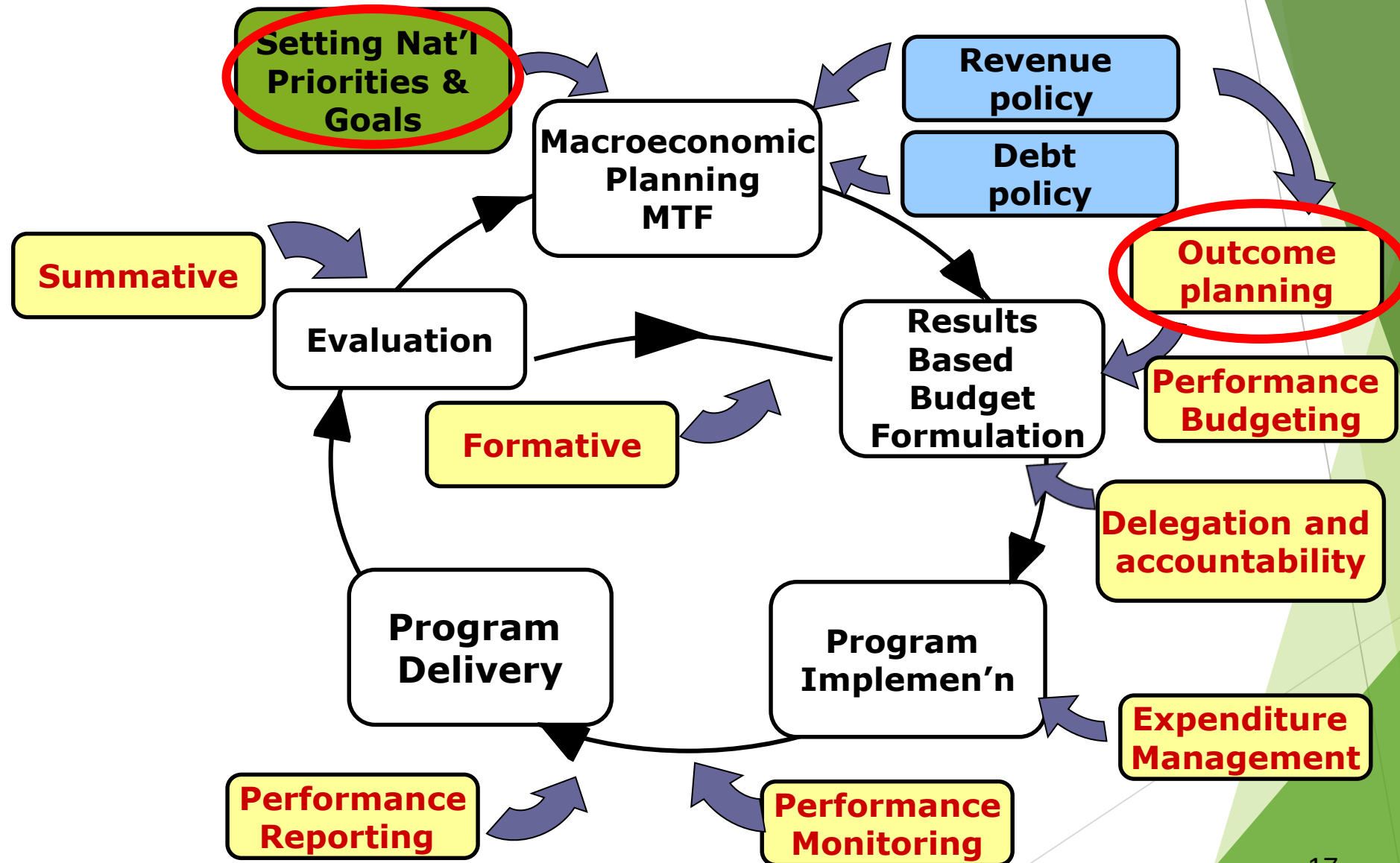
...BUT do not automatically lead to better outcomes

Maths achievement (blue) and
Education expenditures per child (red)

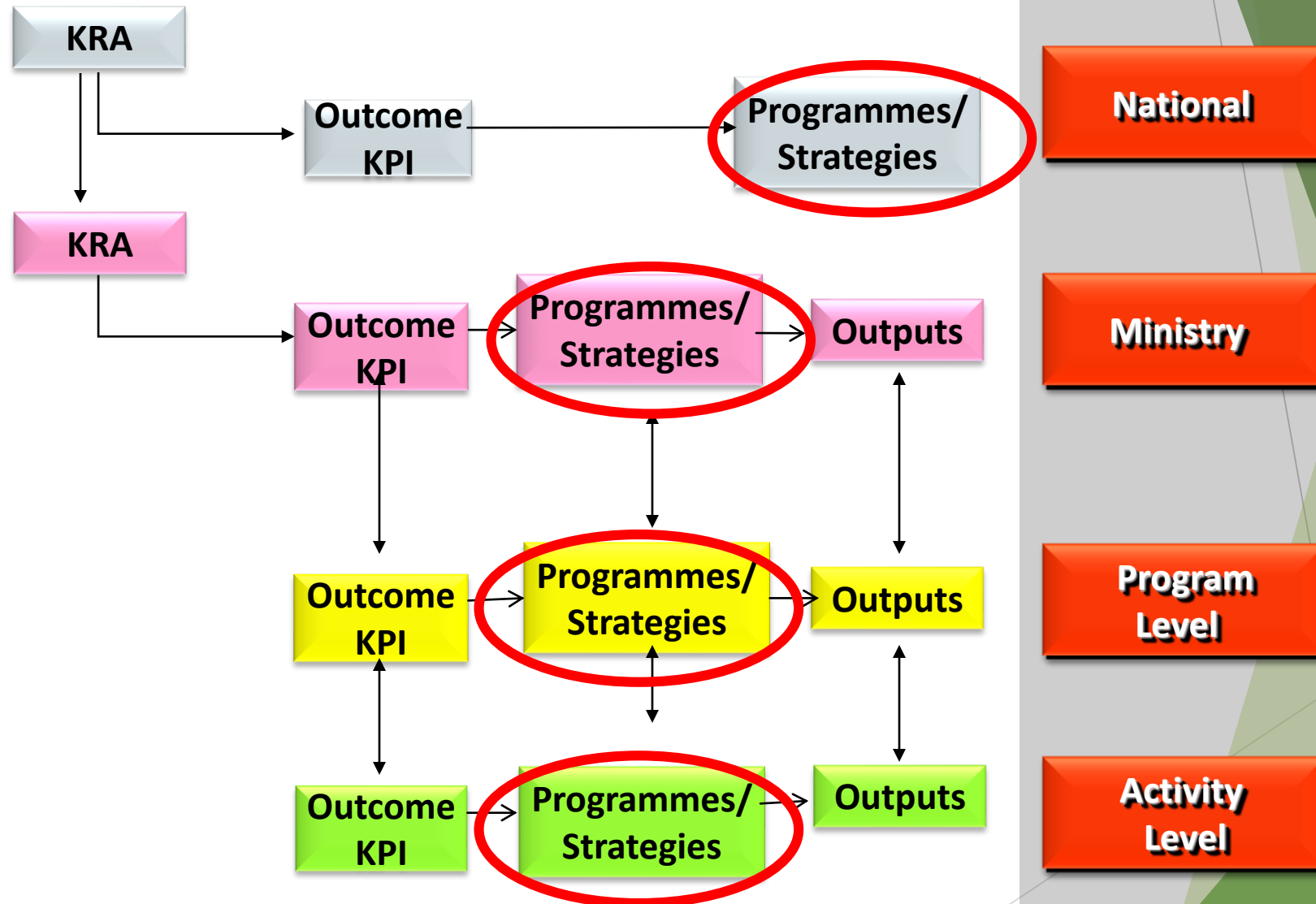


Source: TIMSS 2011; UIS Database 2013 (figures for latest year available); US Census Bureau 2013

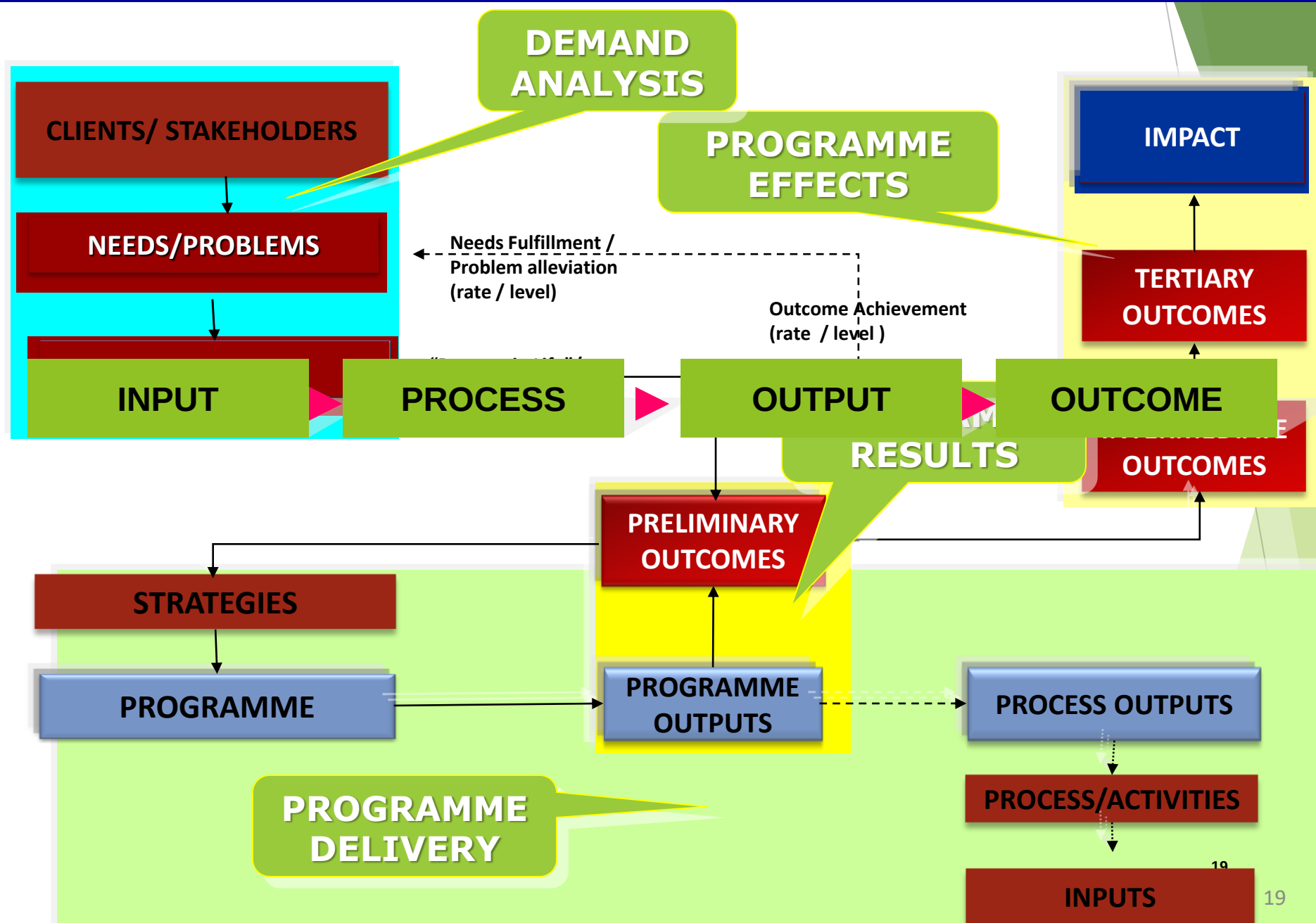
Planning, Budgeting and M&E Cycle



Building RESULTS FRAMEWORK under the Program Activity Structure



Program Logic and Linkages (ProLL) Model



STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PROGRAM LOGIC

Outcomes ← **Needs/Problems** ← **Clients/Stakeholders**

Outcome statement has to be linked to overcoming and resolving these Issues

Children's issues

- survival
- protection
- development
- participation

Clients

fundamental reason for the existence of The Program

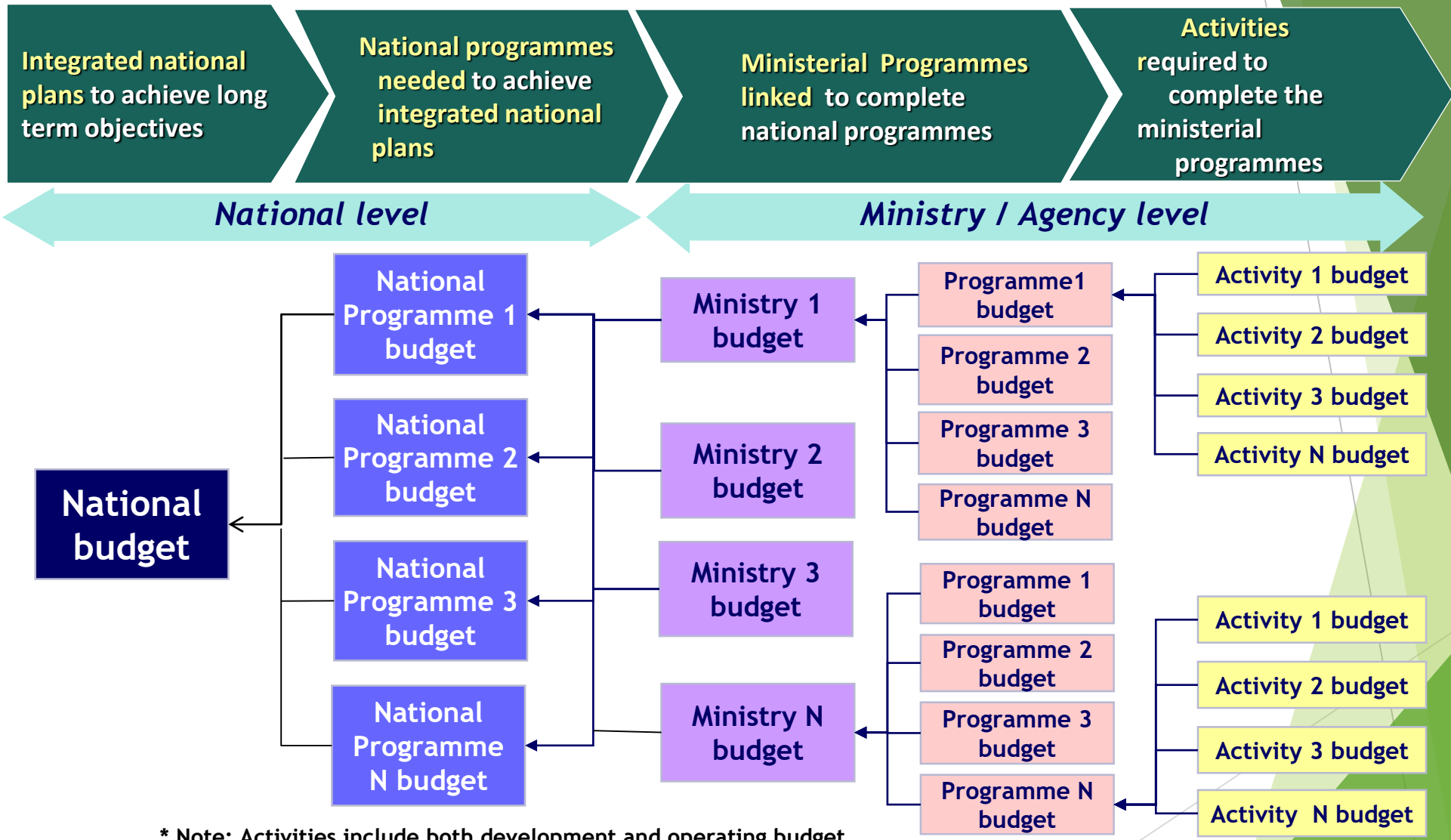
Needs/Problems Analysis

- how extensive is the needs/problem
- what is causing the needs/problems
- what is the effect of the needs/problems
- is it within the mandate of the ministry
- can the outcome address the needs/prob

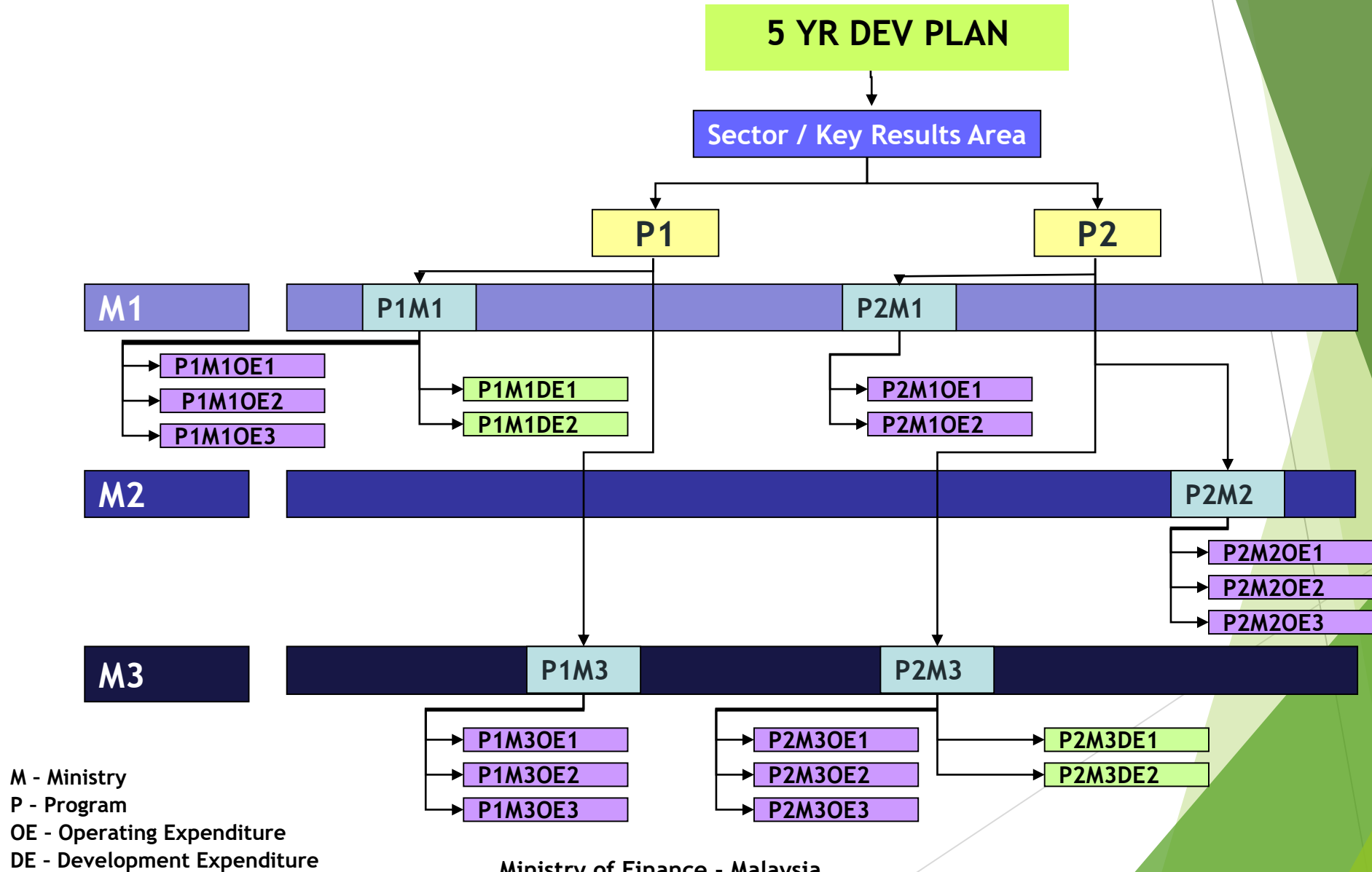
Children as a client group

- are they homogenous
- are their needs similar
- are they facing the same problems
- detailed classification required

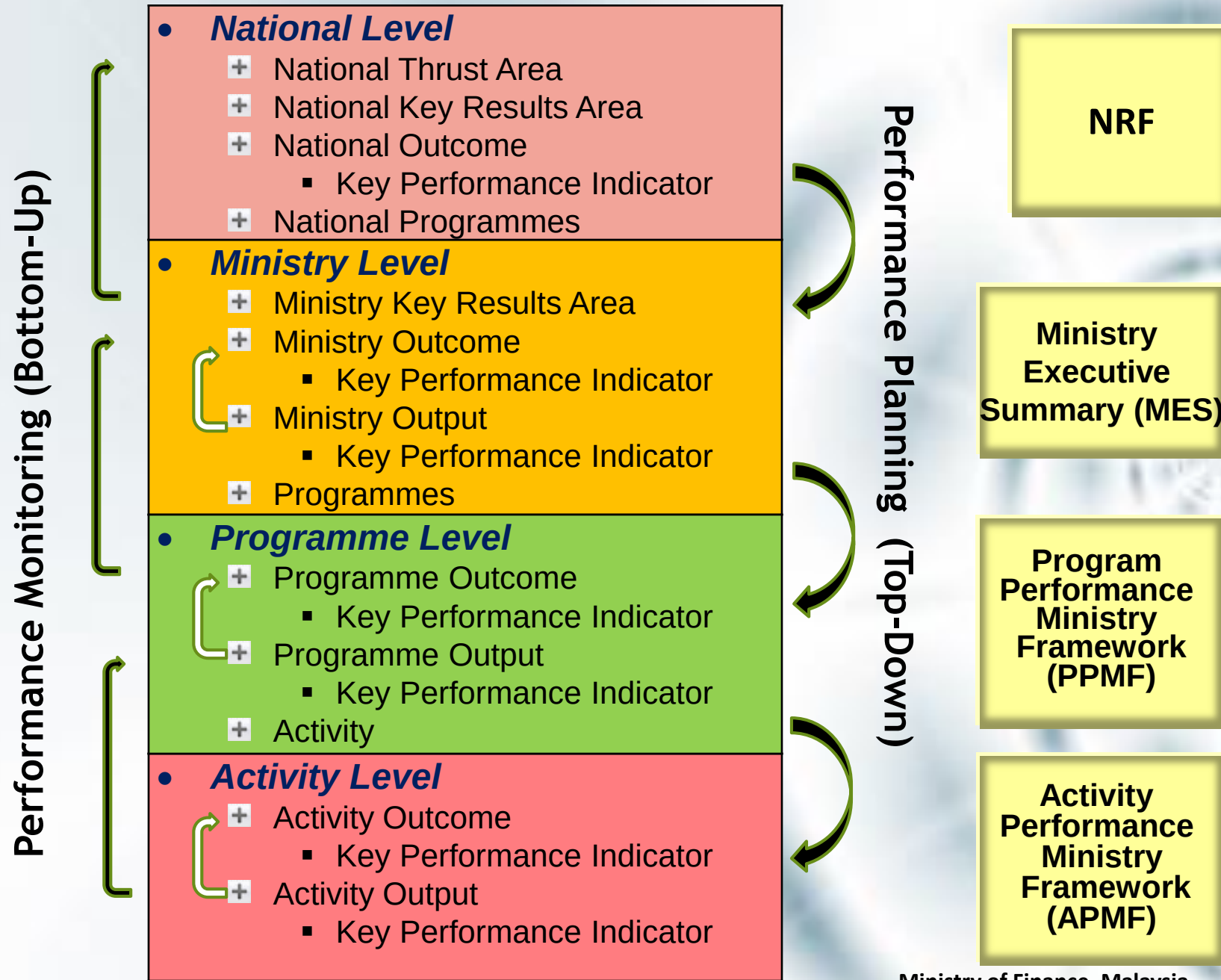
LINKING PLANNING TO BUDGET



Matrix View of an Integrated OBB



OBB STRATEGIC PERFORMANCE PLANNING LINKAGES (Building the Accountability Framework)



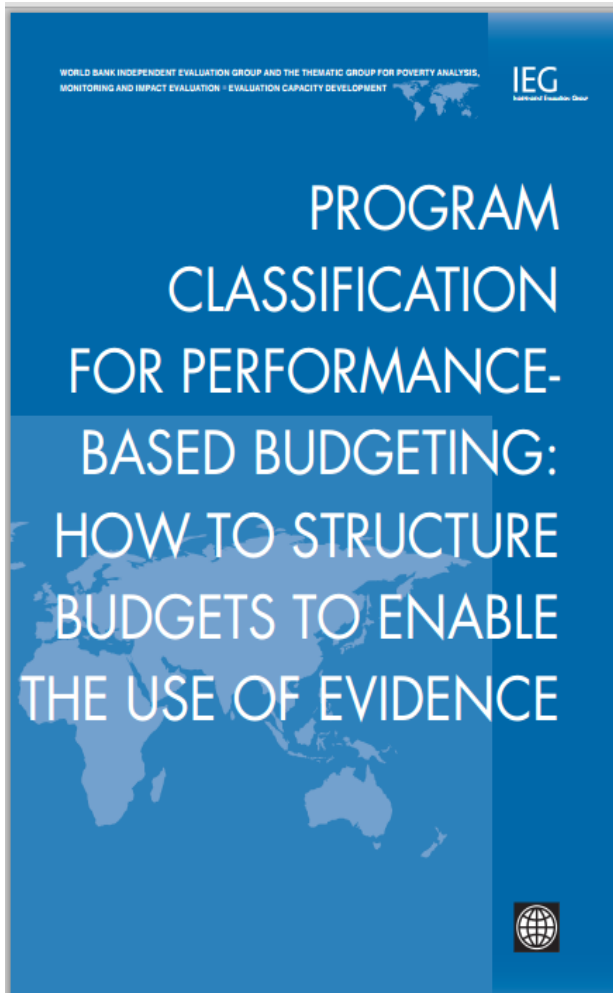


Figure 1. French Program Classification Example (simplified)

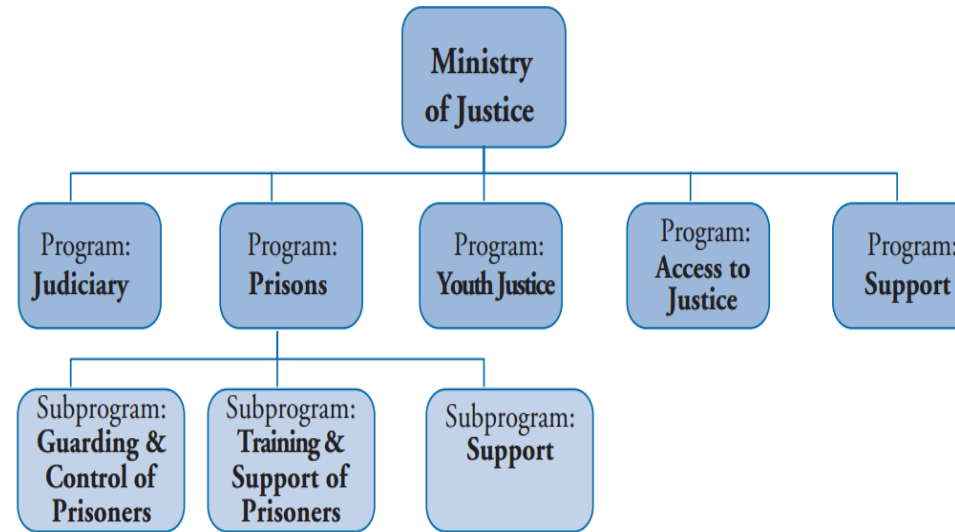
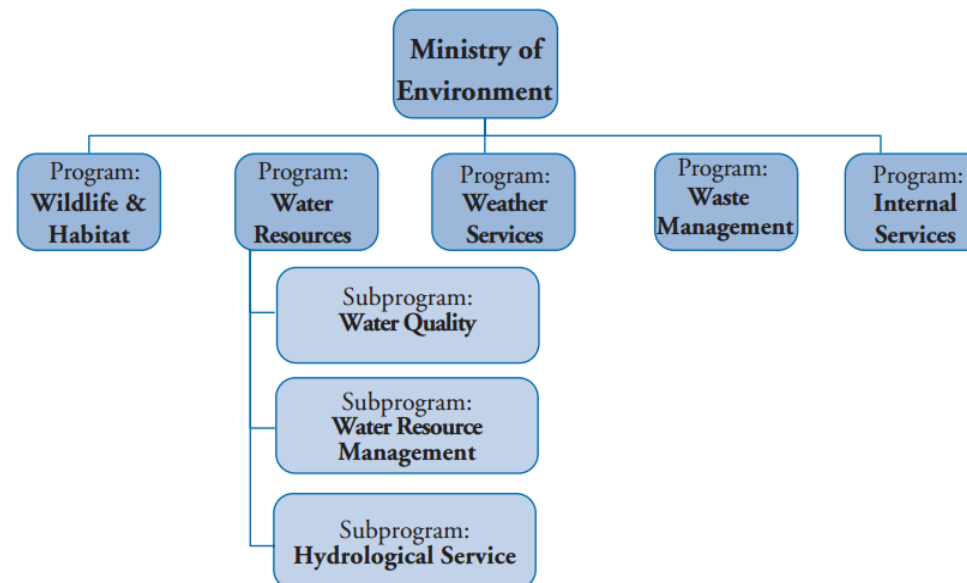
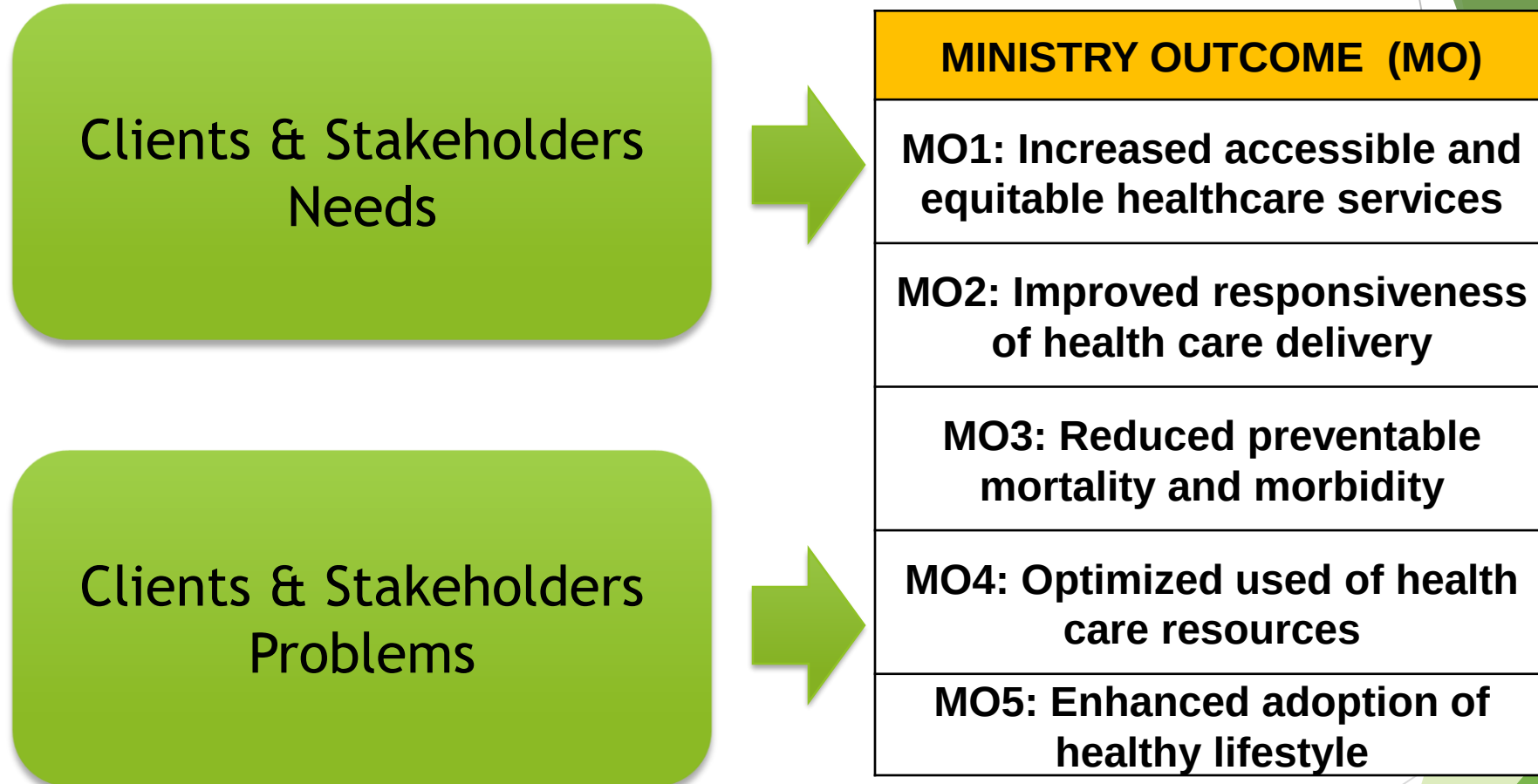


Figure 2. Canadian Program Classification Example (simplified)

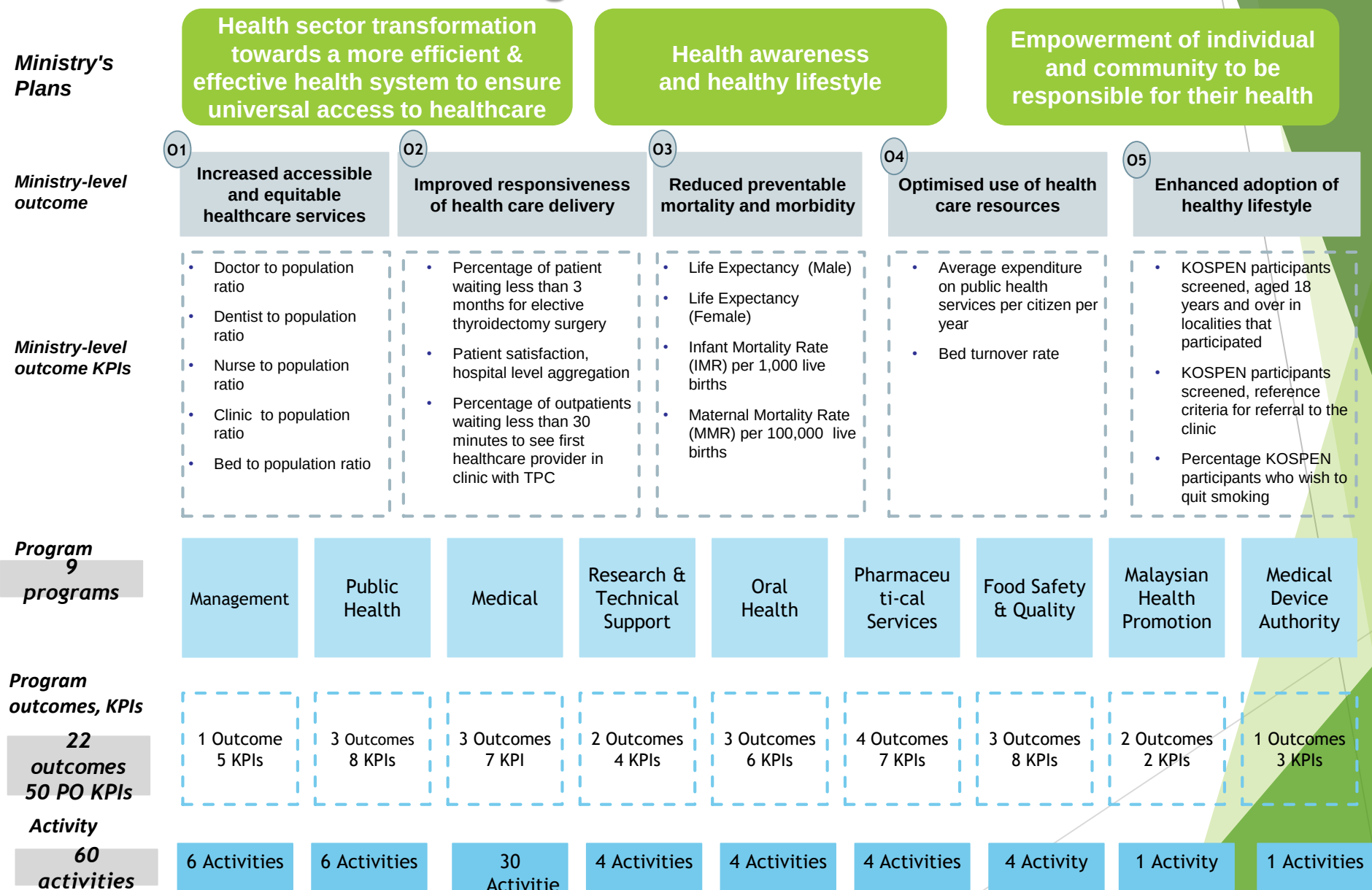


Example: Ministry of Health Outcomes - Malaysia



MINISTRY OF HEALTH – MALAYSIA

Programme Structure



Example: Evolution of the Performance Budgeting in the Philippines

- ☐ Line Item Budgeting
 - ☐ Performance Budgeting
- } - Input based
- ☐ Public Expenditure Management - Output/Outcome
 - Organizational Performance Indicator Framework (OPIF) - 2006
 - Performance-Informed Budgeting (PIB)
 - ✓ Output based - 2014
 - ✓ Outcome based - 2015

Example: Results Framework - Philippines

The new Performance-informed Budgeting (PIB) structure follows the Results Framework or Logical Framework established for each department and agency



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Areas of Focus for linking planning and budgeting

- ▶ Hardwiring planning and budgeting within a medium term planning and budgeting framework which is anchored within a fiscal sustainability framework without back door escape clauses
- ▶ Moving from static to dynamic planning - with appropriate political and technical anchors
- ▶ Focusing on getting most out of existing capital assets and outcomes with regards to public services
- ▶ Developing challenge functions within core agencies and allowing service delivery agencies to deliver services and report results
- ▶ Review and revise institutional structures to support the aforementioned functions

Challenges

- Understanding the Concepts
- Quality of Information in the Results Framework needs improvement
- Management's Role and Commitment
- Capacity Building and Sustainability
- Mind set on Performance Management
- Redefining Role and Functions of Budget Review Officers
- The use of Performance Information

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS

Performance information must be demand driven by stakeholders

Leaders must empower their team and execute strategy

Sector Heads and BROs must focus on program performance and accountability

Sustainable capacity building

Report on performance through effective monitoring and evaluation

Culturalising Performance Through Change Management

CHALLENGES

Understanding the
concepts

Role of management in
strategy building

Quality of information
in the results
framework

Culturalising
performance

Redefining the
roles of budget
review officers -
focus on
performance &
accountability

Sustainable
capacity building
and frequent
movement of
OBB trainers

Identifying the
right IT solution
and translating
business
requirements
into an IT system

Guiding Principles for PBB/OBB

“5 E’s”

Efficiency > *spend less*

Effectiveness > *spend wisely*

Economy > *spend well*

Equity > *spend fairly*

Ethics > *spend properly*

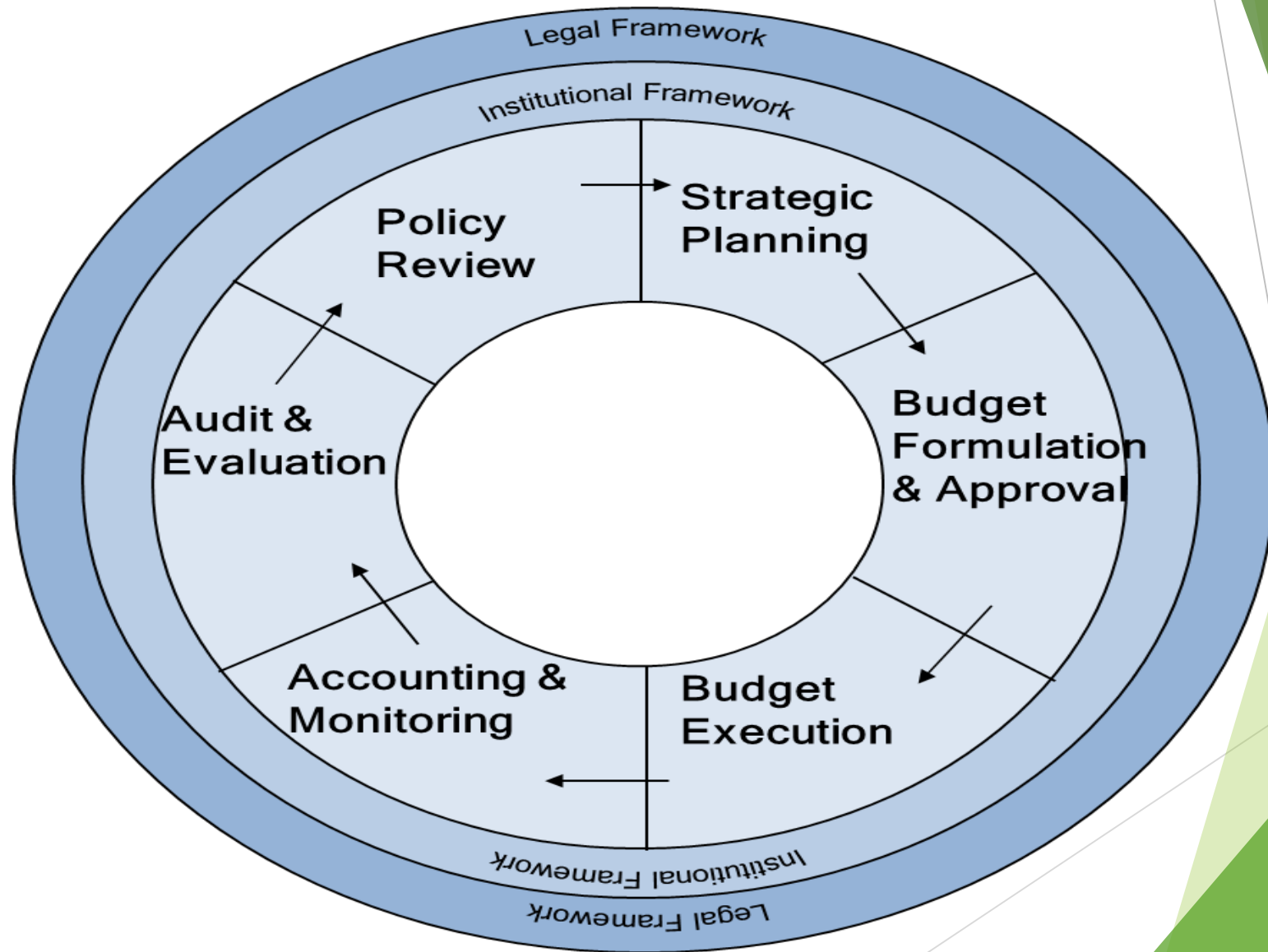
The Budget Cycle

Overview of Budget Cycle Process

Content

- ▶ The institutional framework
- ▶ The legal and regulatory framework
- ▶ The steps of the budget cycle

The Annual Budget Cycle



The Institutional Framework

- ▶ Parliament
- ▶ Cabinet
- ▶ Ministry of finance and ministry of planning
- ▶ Ministries, Department and Agencies (MDAs)
- ▶ Subnational governments
- ▶ Office of the auditor general
- ▶ Civil society

The Legal and Regulatory Framework

- Constitution
- Organic budget law/PFM act and associated regulations
- Decentralization law/ local governments financial law

Strategic Planning

- ▶ National development plan
- ▶ Sectoral strategies
- ▶ Sectoral annual plans

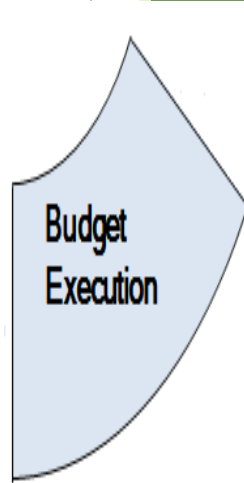
Budget Formulation and Approval

- ▶ Strategic budgeting
 - ▶ MTFF (Medium-Term Fiscal Framework)
 - ▶ MTEF (Medium-Term Expenditure Framework)
- ▶ Budget preparation
 - ▶ Budget circular
 - ▶ Budget negotiations
- ▶ Approval
 - ▶ Annual budget law



Budget Execution

- ▶ Authorization or allocation of appropriations to spending agencies
- ▶ Commitment incurring a future obligation to pay
- ▶ Verification of the acquisition and verification of goods and services
- ▶ Payments are made for these expenditures



Accounting and Monitoring

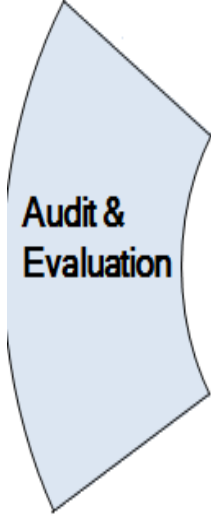
- ▶ **Accounting** expenditure transactions are recorded in accounting books
- ▶ **Reporting** execution and financial reports



Accounting &
Monitoring

Audit and Evaluation

- ▶ Audit of budget cycle
 - ▶ Financial and beyond
- ▶ Evaluations
 - ▶ Are expenditures reaching their beneficiaries (leakages?). Pay attention to unintended consequences
 - ▶ Impact. Output and outcome assessment. Enforce accountability
 - ▶ Benchmarking - are results commensurate with resources? Cross-country and sub-national comparisons



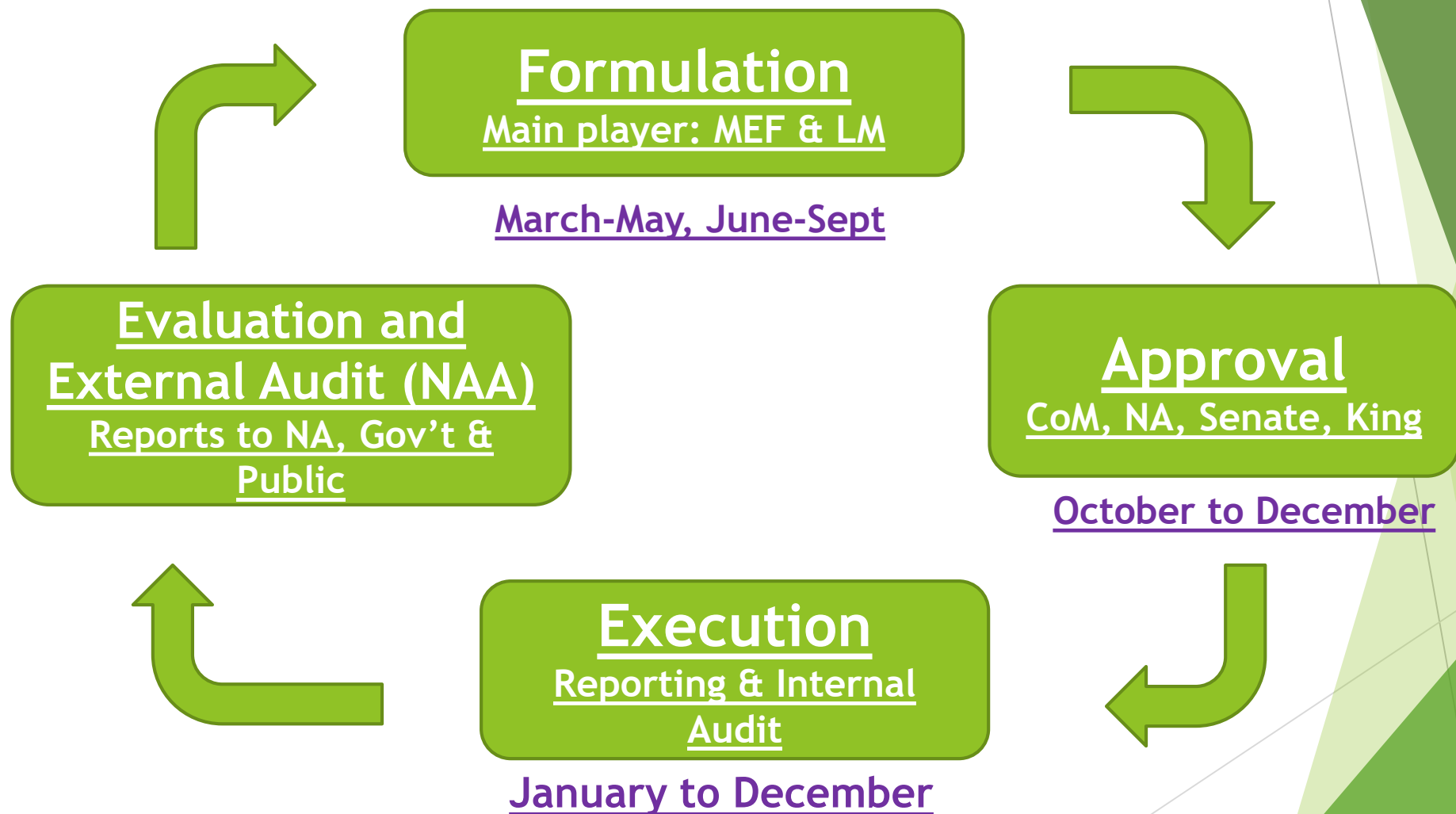
Audit &
Evaluation

Policy Review

- ▶ Revision of results of public spending related to stated goals for the sector
- ▶ Inform update of existing policies and plans



Example: National Budget Process in Cambodia



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PF4C – Approach & Strategy

The typical focus of PF4C work

A. Evidence-based political advocacy

1. Assessing spending (know how much is spent/would be needed to spend).
2. Assessing the efficiency and effectiveness of spending (know how well resources are/should be spent).
3. Assessing the implications of inadequate/inequitable spending for services (coverage/access/quality).

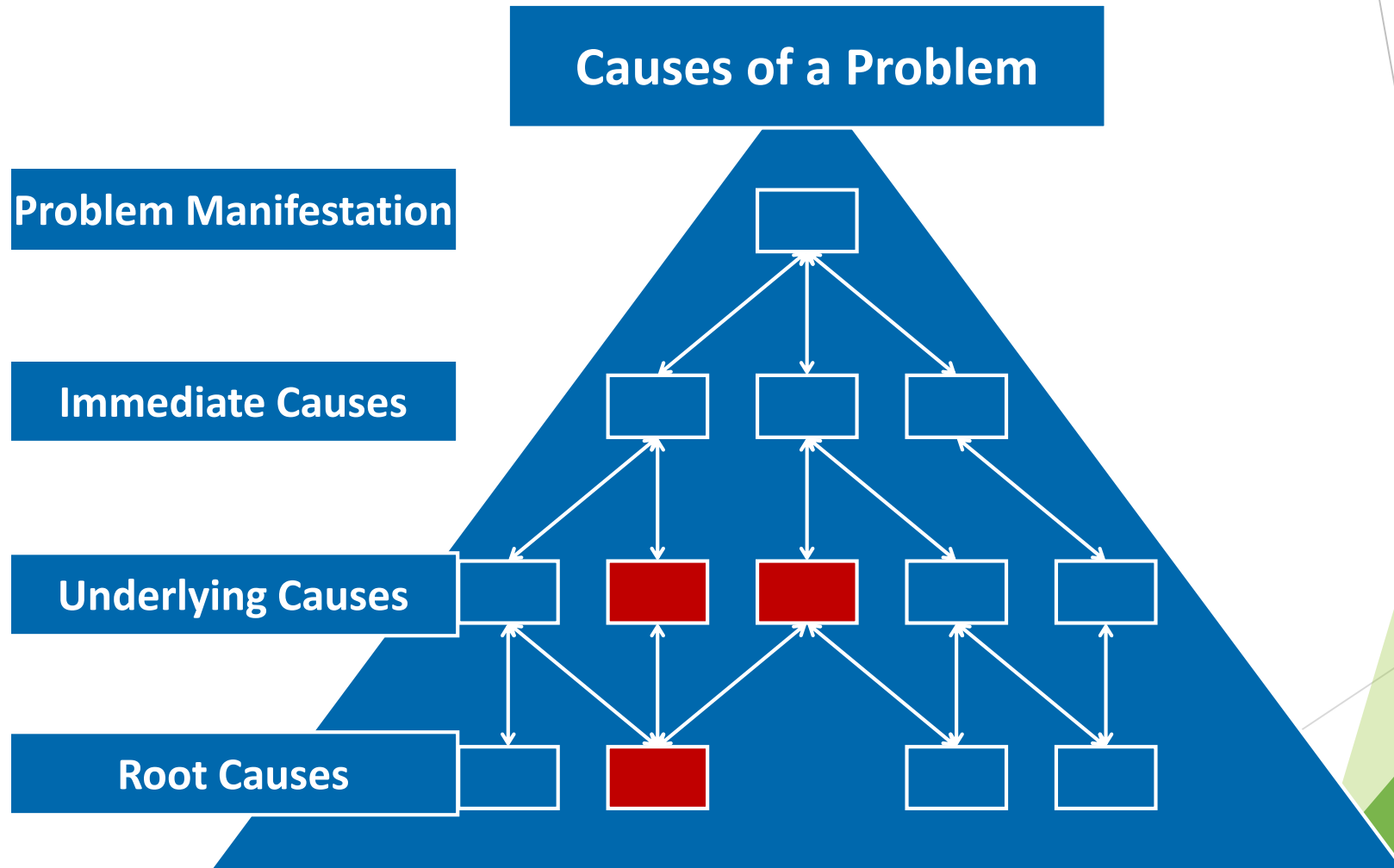
B. Promoting systemic change in planning and budgeting

1. Technical assistance for improved planning, resourcing, implementation, monitoring and/or reporting.
2. Promoting transparency and/or user feedback at central and/or local level.

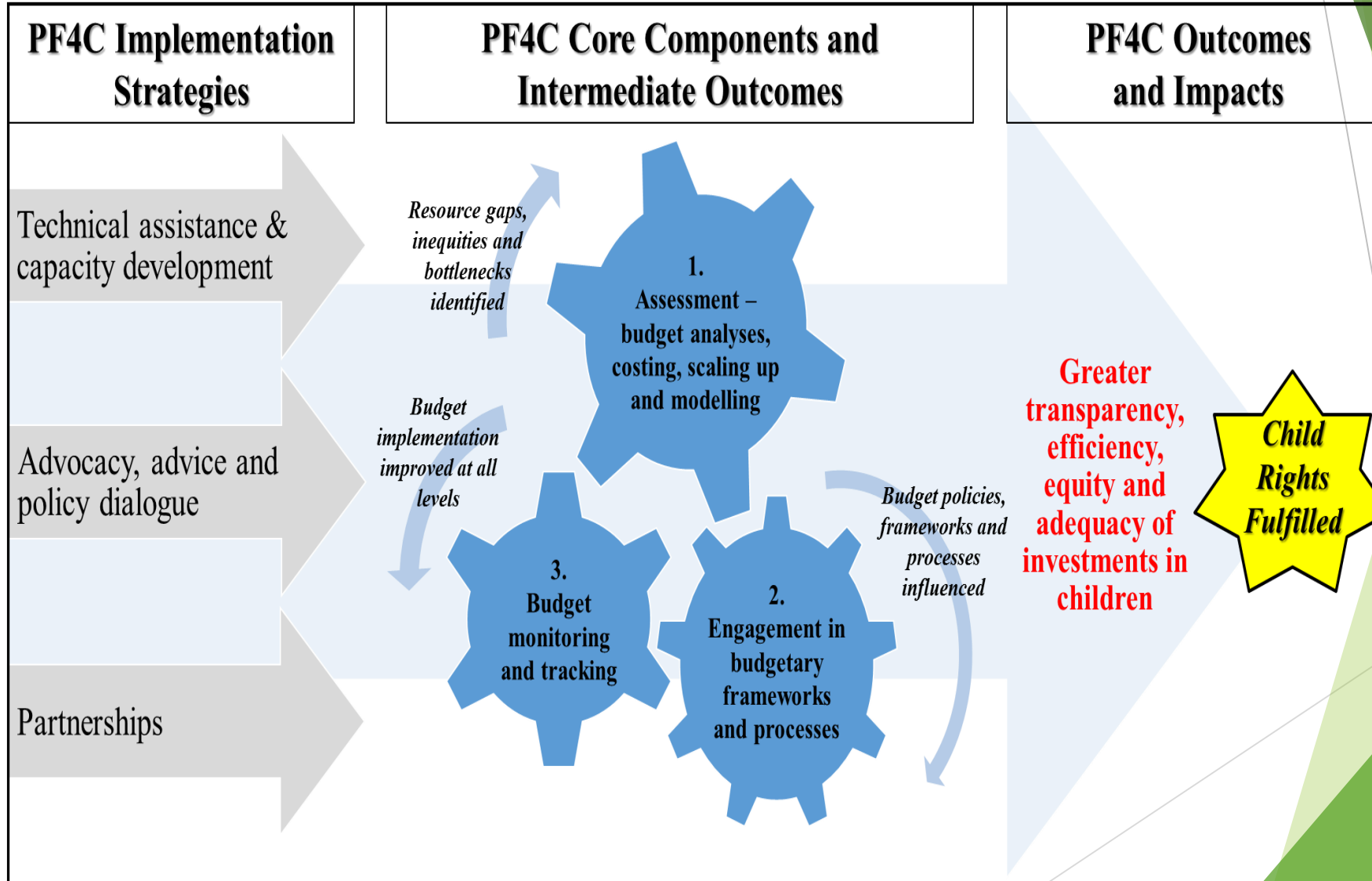
Public Finance Reform & Children

- ▶ Focus on child outcomes with an equity lens
 - ▶ Child under-nutrition (FHS 2010 Malaysia: 4.3%, at state level between 1 and 10%, at district level variance is even greater)
- ▶ Address immediate causality links
 - ▶ UNICEF's causality framework to child malnutrition (a) low food intake, (b) improper family care (c) poor sanitation and weakness in other basic services
- ▶ Identify bottlenecks and see how the root causes can be addressed
 - ▶ Poverty? Societal and cultural practices? Adequacy of laws, policies? Institutions? Public finance? Missing links in the planning-resourcing process?

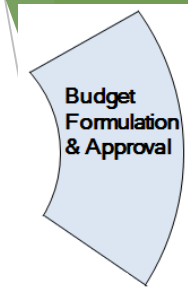
Child Outcomes are multi-sectoral and multi-dimensional - RBM approach



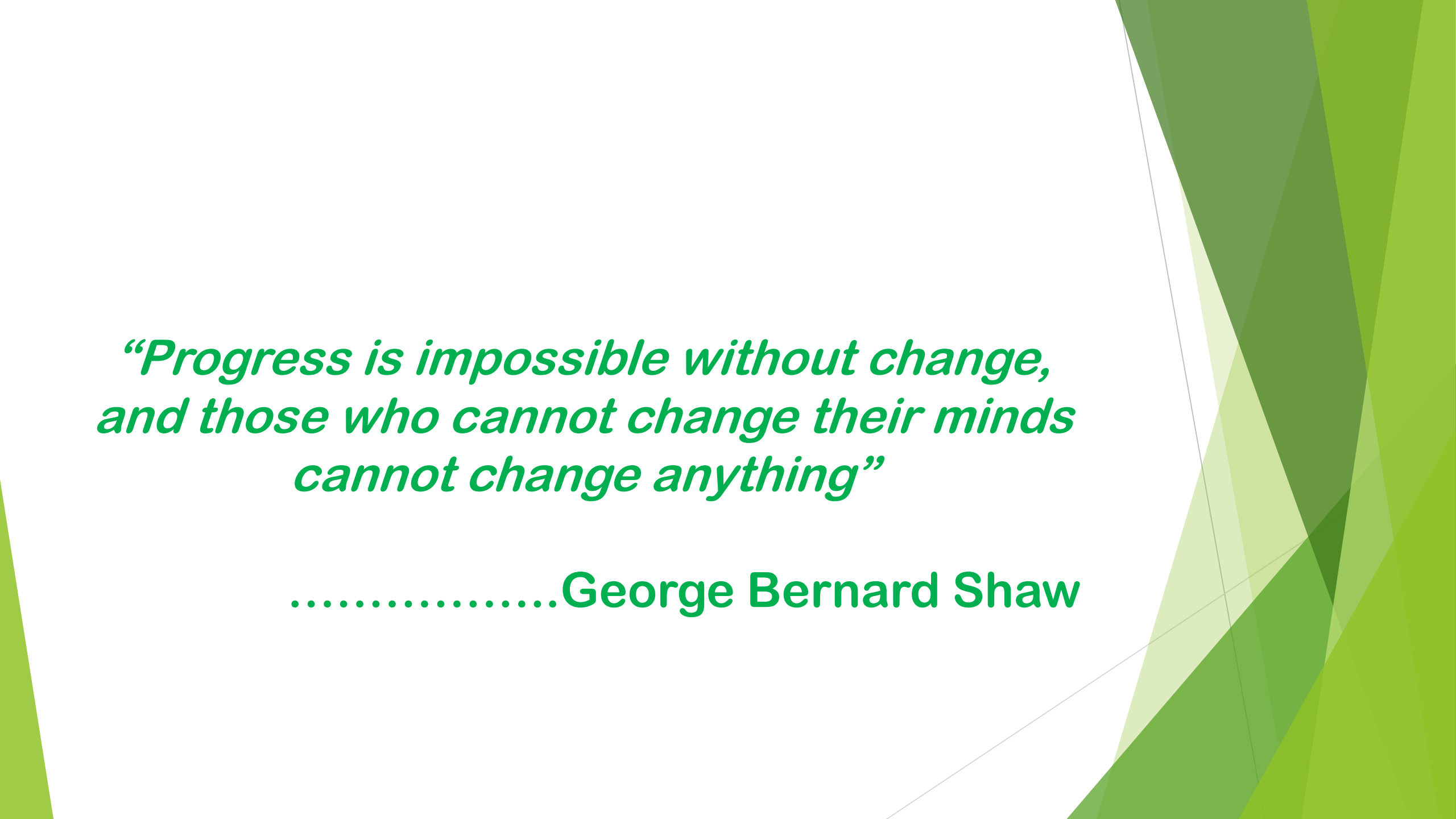
PF4C: Pathways of change



Case: Thailand - Budget Formulation



- ▶ **No Medium-Term Budgetary Framework (MTBF)** in place:
 - ▶ **Top-down MTFF** containing the Resource Envelope over the medium term is struck by NESDB, MoF and others. **No ministerial budget ceilings** prior to the budget request instruction.
 - ▶ **‘Unconstrained’ budgeting at the Ministry level through** Annual Budget Requests, negotiated between Ministries and MoF.
- ▶ Each Ministry prepares **Line-item budget** broken down by **Administrative** (GFS 2014) and their ‘own’ **Economic Classification** (5 main categories) on the **e-Budgeting system**.
 - *Bureau of Budget tends to make cuts across the board (no consideration of equity)*
 - *No incentives for multi-year budgeting (for medium term equity outcomes)*

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*“Progress is impossible without change,
and those who cannot change their minds
cannot change anything”*

.....George Bernard Shaw

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