Power Sector Development and Environmental Emissions in Selected South Asian Countries

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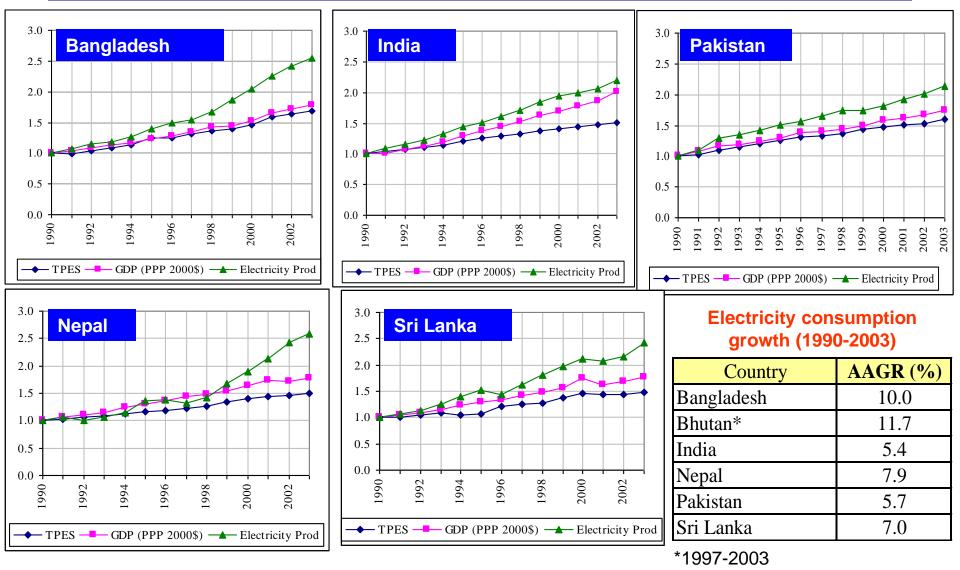


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Energy, Electricity and GDP Growth (Index 1990 = 1.0)



Source: Estimated from Energy Statistics and Balances of NON-OECD Countries (IEA, 2005)



Electricity production shares by energy type in 1990 and 2003, %

Country	Thern	Нус	dro	Others		
	1990	2003	1990	2003	1990	2003
Bangladesh	88.6	94.2	11.4	5.7	-	0.1
Bhutan+	0.04*	0.14	99.96*	99.86	-	-
India	73.1	84.4	24.8	11.9	2.1	3.7
Nepal	0.11	0.19	99.89	99.81	-	-
Pakistan	54.3	64.5	44.9	33.3	0.8	2.2
Sri Lanka	0.2	56.5	99.8	43.5	0.0	0.04
South Asia	70.5	82.7	27.6	14.7	1.9	2.6

+ Estimated from Master Plan Study of Bhutan (JICA, 2005)

* Corresponds to 1997 figure.

Source: Energy Statistics and Balances of NON-OECD Countries (IEA, 2005) and



	Coa	ıl	Oil		Gas		Hydro		Nuclear	
Country	1990	2003	1990	2003	1990	2003	1990	2003	1990	2003
Bangladesh	-	_	4.3	6.7	84.3	87.5	11.4	5.7	-	-
Bhutan+	-	-	0.04*	0.14	-	-	99.96	99.86	-	-
India	65.3	68.3	4.3	4.6	3.4	11.5	24.8	11.9	2.1	2.8
Nepal	-	-	0.1	0.2	-	-	99.9	99.8	-	-
Pakistan	0.1	0.2	20.6	15.7	33.6	48.5	44.9	33.3	0.8	2.2
Sri Lanka	0.0	0.0	0.2	56.5	-	-	99.8	43.5	-	-

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Growth of SO2, NOx and CO₂ Emissions from Power Sector (Index 1990 = 1.0)

SO₂ emission

	1995	2000
Bangladesh	0.83	1.39
India	1.57	1.85
Pakistan	2.44	3.78
Sri Lanka	27.20	35.80

NO_x emission

	1995	2000
Bangladesh	1.35	1.65
India	1.26	1.38
Pakistan	1.34	1.55
Sri Lanka	14.50	19.00

CO₂ emission

	1995	2000	2002
Bangladesh	1.48	1.98	2.55
India	1.57	2.12	2.21
Pakistan	1.50	2.13	2.18
Sri Lanka	4.80	57.20	59.20

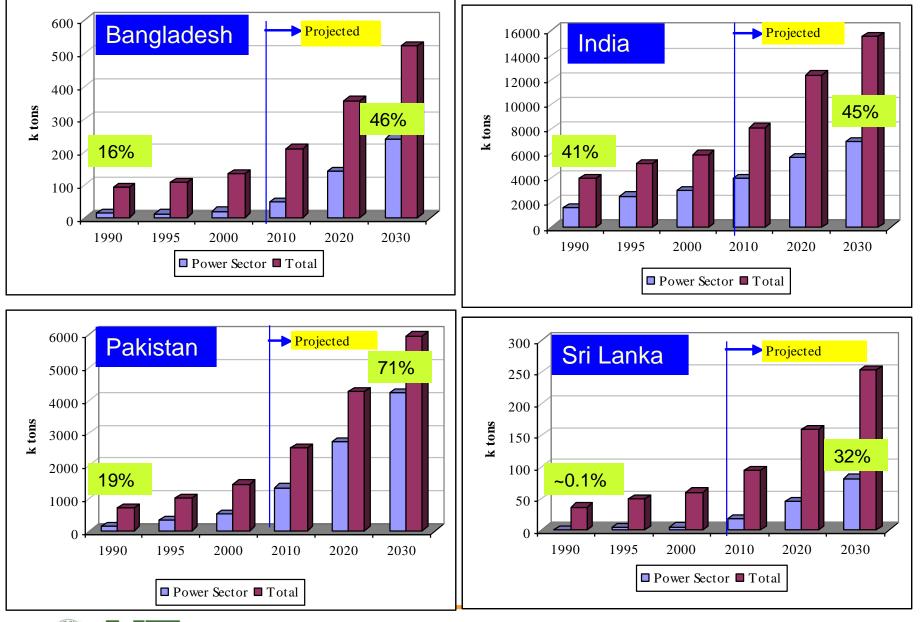
Source: RAINS (2006) http:// www.iiasa.ac.at/rains/global_emiss/global_emiss.html and CO2 Emission Estimated from (IEA, 2005)



Power Sector Emissions Outlook

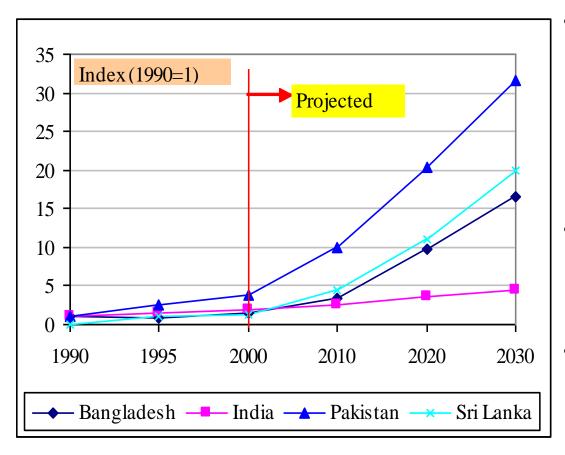


SO₂ Emission Projection by 2030



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Projected Growth Rate of SO₂ Emission from the Power Sector



Source: RAINS (2006)

- High growth rates of power sector SO₂ emissions in
 Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and
 Pakistan; Main reason: low
 coal based generation at
 present and significant future
 additions of coal fired plants
- Relatively lower growth rate of SO₂ emission in India due to already dominant share of coal based power plants.
- In absolute terms, SO2 emission from India many times higher than that from other countries.

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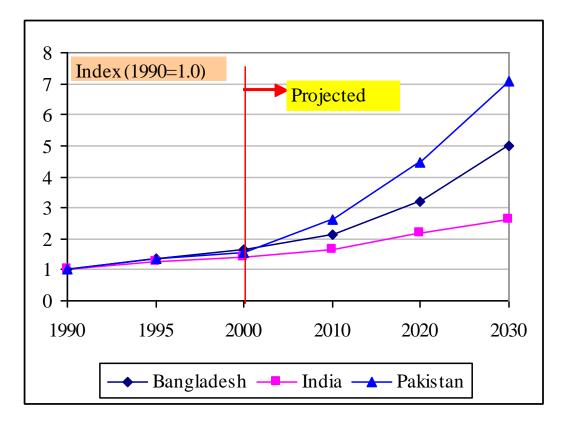


NOx Emission Projection by 2030



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NOx Emission from the Power Sector



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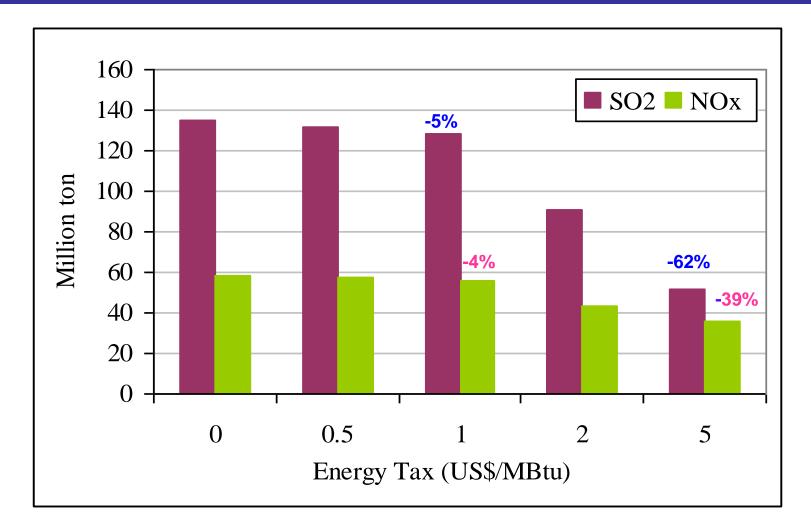
Role of Carbon and Energy Taxes in the Power Sector emissions in India and Sri Lanka







Role of Energy Tax on SO₂ and NOx Emissions from the Power Sector (2006-2025): INDIA

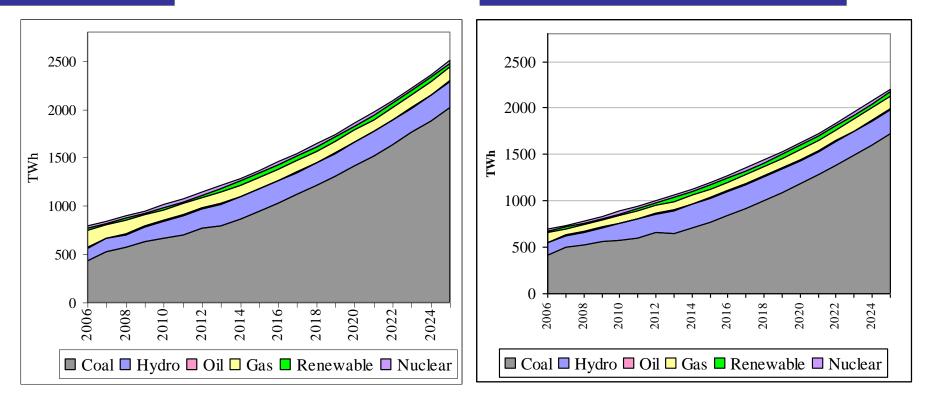




Energy tax and Electricity Generation by Fuel type (2006-2025): INDIA

Base Case

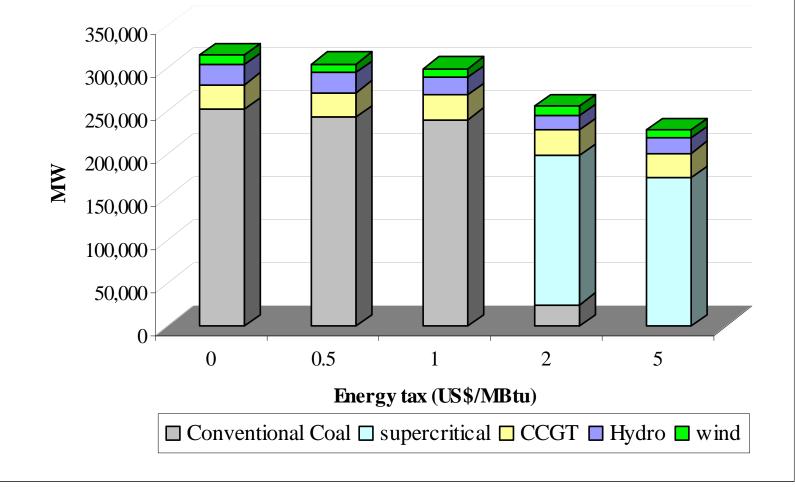
With Energy-tax (5 \$/MBtu)



There would be a 12% reduction in cumulative energy generation during 2006-2025 with energy tax of \$5/MBtu.



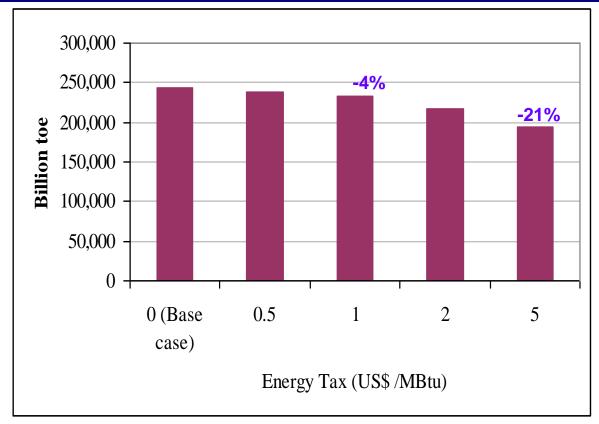
Energy-tax and Power Plant Capacity Additions (2006-2025): INDIA



Energy tax above \$1/MBtu promotes clean and efficient technologies.



Fossil Fuel Consumption in Power Sector with Energy Tax (2006-2025): INDIA

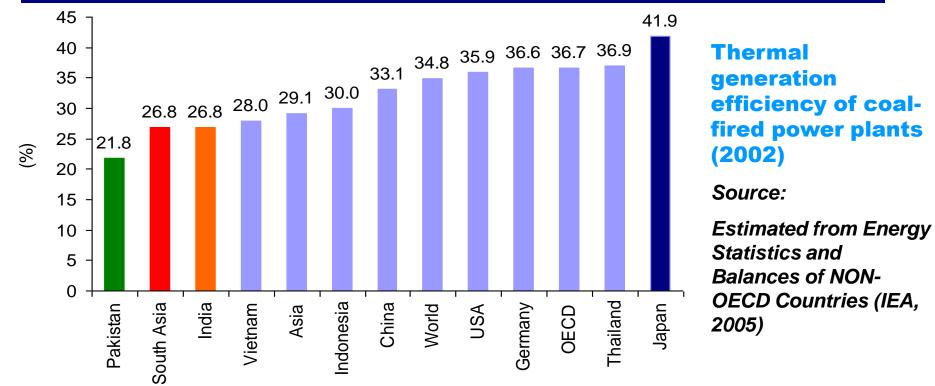


Note: 1.0 MBtu = 0.252 Gcal

Substantial reduction in fossil fuel consumption in the power sector at energy tax above \$1/MBtu.



Scope for Energy Efficiency Improvement in Coal-Fired Generation and Potential Air Pollutant Reductions.



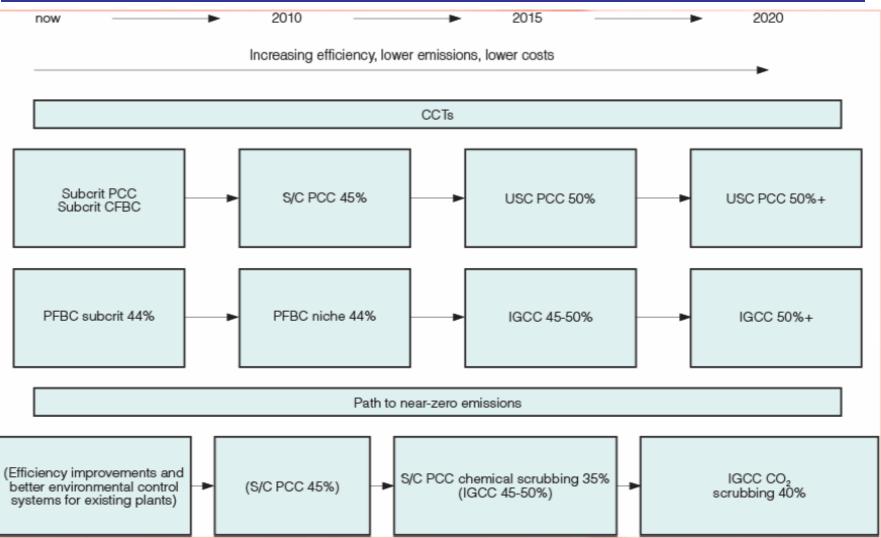
In south Asia:

Potential efficiency improvement of almost 15% (compared to Japan) corresponds to about 33% reduction in coal requirement (i.e.~ 57 Million tons of coal) in 2002.

> This implies reductions of about 635 thousand tons of SO₂ and 168 Million tons of CO₂ emissions in 2002.



Scenario for Efficiency of Clean Coal Power Plant Technologies

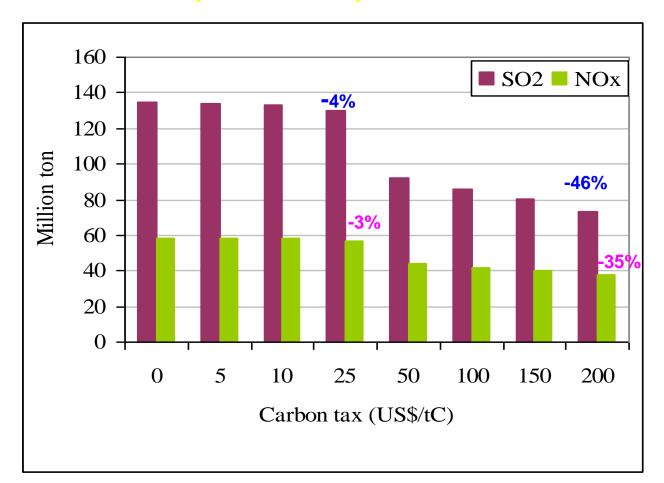


CCT: Clean coal technology; PCC: Pulverized coal combustion ; PFBC: Pulverized fluidized bed combustion; IGCC: Integrated gasification combined cycle; S/C: supercritical; USC: Ultra



Source: www.iea-coal.org.uk

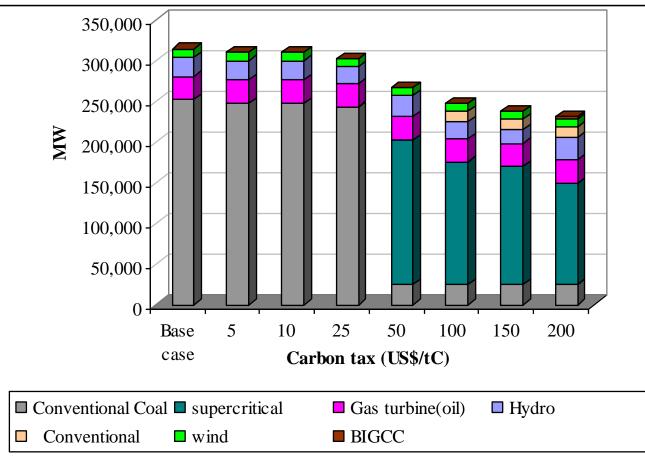
Role of Carbon Tax on Power Sector SO₂ and NO_X Emissions (2006-2025): INDIA



Very little change in emissions at carbon tax below \$25/tC.



Carbon Tax and Power Plant Capacity Additions (2006-2025): INDIA



At carbon tax of \$50/tC and above, conventional coal power plants would be substituted by efficient clean coal technologies.



Carbon tax and Electricity Generation by Fuel type (2006-2025): INDIA

With Carbon-tax (200 \$/tC)

الم TWh 2006+ 2008-2012. 2018-2020-Coal Hydro Oil Gas Renewable Nuclear 🗖 Coal 🗖 Hydro 🗖 Oil 🗖 Gas 🗖 Renewable 🗖 Nuclear

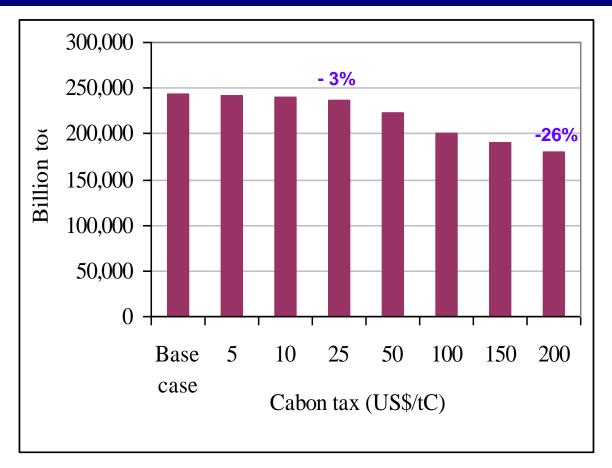
•Coal based electricity generation would be partly substituted by renewables (Wind and Biomass) at higher carbon tax.

•There would be a 26% reduction in total energy generation during 2006-2025 with carbon tax of \$200/tC



Base Case

Fossil fuel consumption in power sector with Carbon tax (2006-2025): INDIA



Reduction in fossil fuel consumption at carbon tax rates below \$25/tC not significant.

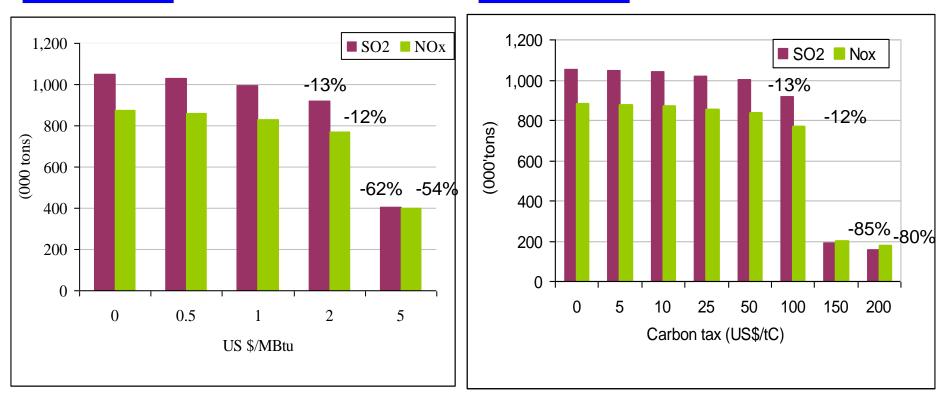


Sri Lanka



Role of Energy and Carbon Taxes in Power Sector SO2 and NOx Emissions (2006-2025): SRI LANKA





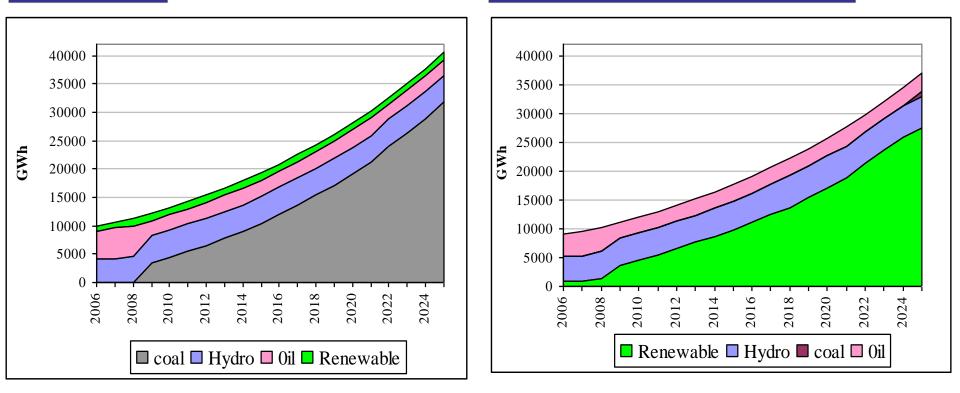
Carbon-tax

Emission reductions at energy tax below \$0.5/MBtu and carbon tax below \$25/tC below not significant



Carbon tax and Generation Mix (2006-2025): SRI LANKA

Base case



At high carbon tax rates, large substitution of coal based electricity generation in Sri Lanka with renewables (biomass and wind).



With Carbon-tax (200 \$/tC)

Conclusion and Final Remarks

- Relatively higher growth of electricity generation in South Asia
- Substantial share of power sector in total SO₂, NOx and CO₂ emissions.
- Share of the power sector in total SO₂ emissions in South Asian countries varies from 0.1% to 41% in 1990; the share to grow in the range of 30% to 71% by 2030.
- Carbon tax below \$25/tC not so effective for emission reductions; higher tax rate needed to have significant emission reductions.
- Significant role of renewable and clean coal technologies in SO₂ emission reduction



Thank You

