



Green Public Procurement: The Case of the Philippines

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Green Procurement Program (GPP) in 2004

- Promote the culture of making environmentally-informed decisions in government, especially in the purchases and use of different products
- Include environmental criteria in public tenders, whenever possible and practicable
- Establish the specifications and requirements for products of services to be considered environmentally advantageous
- Develop incentive programs for suppliers of environmentally sound products and services

Executive Order No. 301, March 29, 2004

Strategies in the 2017 Philippine GPP Roadmap



Governments lead by example
in transforming the market



Circumspect approach



Stepwise approach



Based on well-established
public procurement process



Market readiness



Best deal for the
government

The 2017 Philippine GPP Roadmap

Prioritized Common-Use Supplies and Equipment



Multi-copy Paper



Record Books



Chairs



Toilet Paper



Cleaners



Disinfectant
Sprays



Trash Bags



Detergent Powder



Liquid Hand
Soap



LED Lights/bulbs

Prioritized NON Common-Use Supplies and Equipment



Computer and
Laptop Monitors



Vehicles



Copiers



Air Conditioners



Fridges and
Freezers



Paints and
Varnishes



Food and
Catering Services



Toilets and
Urinals



Training Facilities/
Hotels/Venues



Textiles (Uniforms
and Work Clothes)

2019 Stakeholders Outreach

GPPB-Recognized Trainers
on GPP (est. 2019)

Introduced New Modules
on Specifications Writing
and Project Costing (est.
2019)

Mainstreaming of GPP
trainings (since 2019)



2021 Stakeholders Outreach

Engage with Suppliers through Annual Procurement Summit (since 2017) and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Training for MSMEs (since 2021)



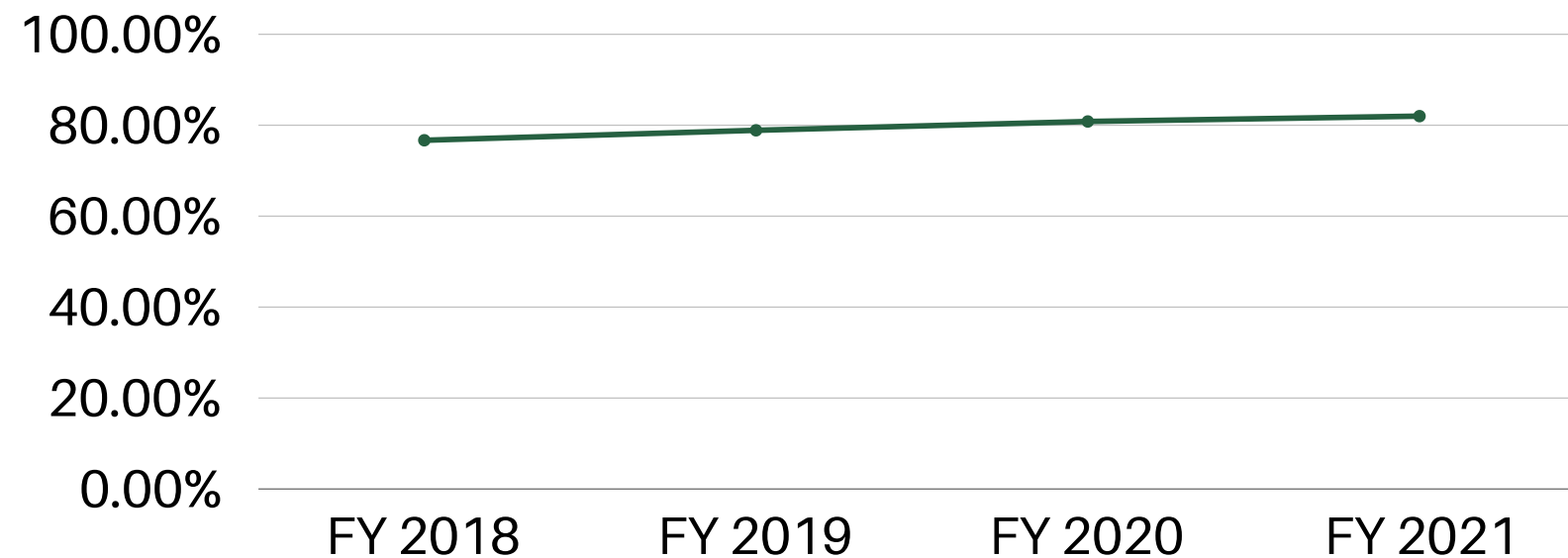
Regular Publication of GPP Performance (since 2021)



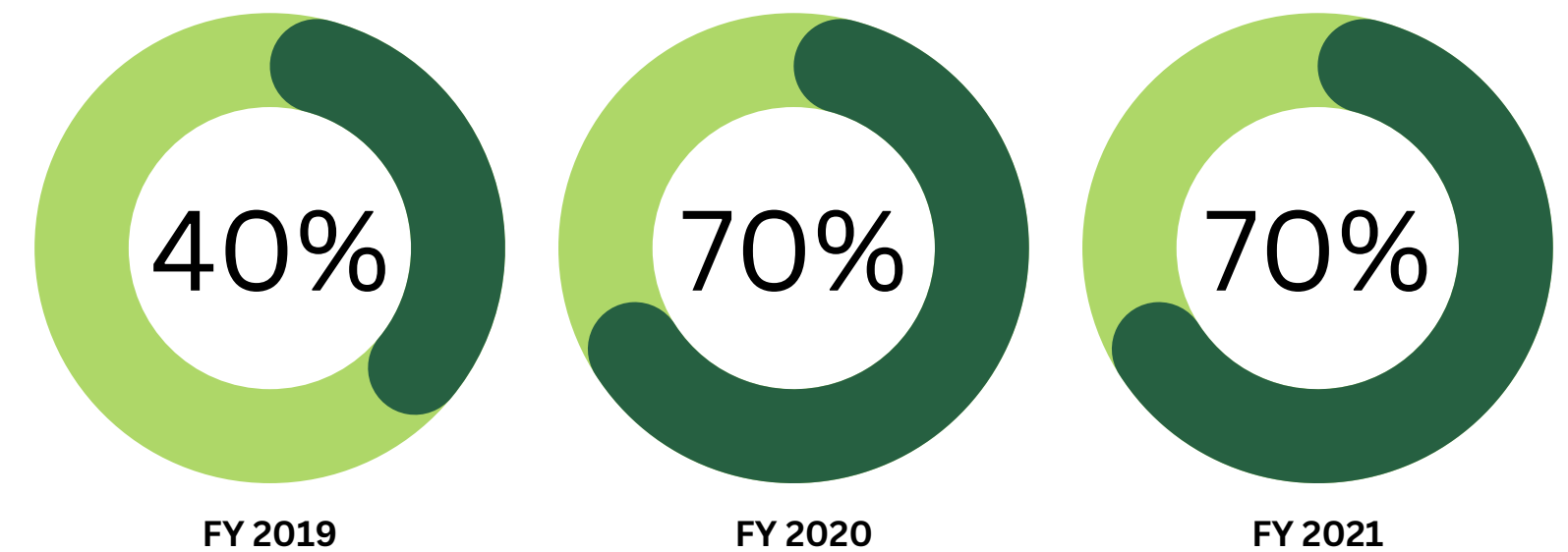
2021 GPP Monitoring Review



FY 2018 - 2021 Green Adoption Status of Non-CSE



Adoption of GPP in the Public Sector



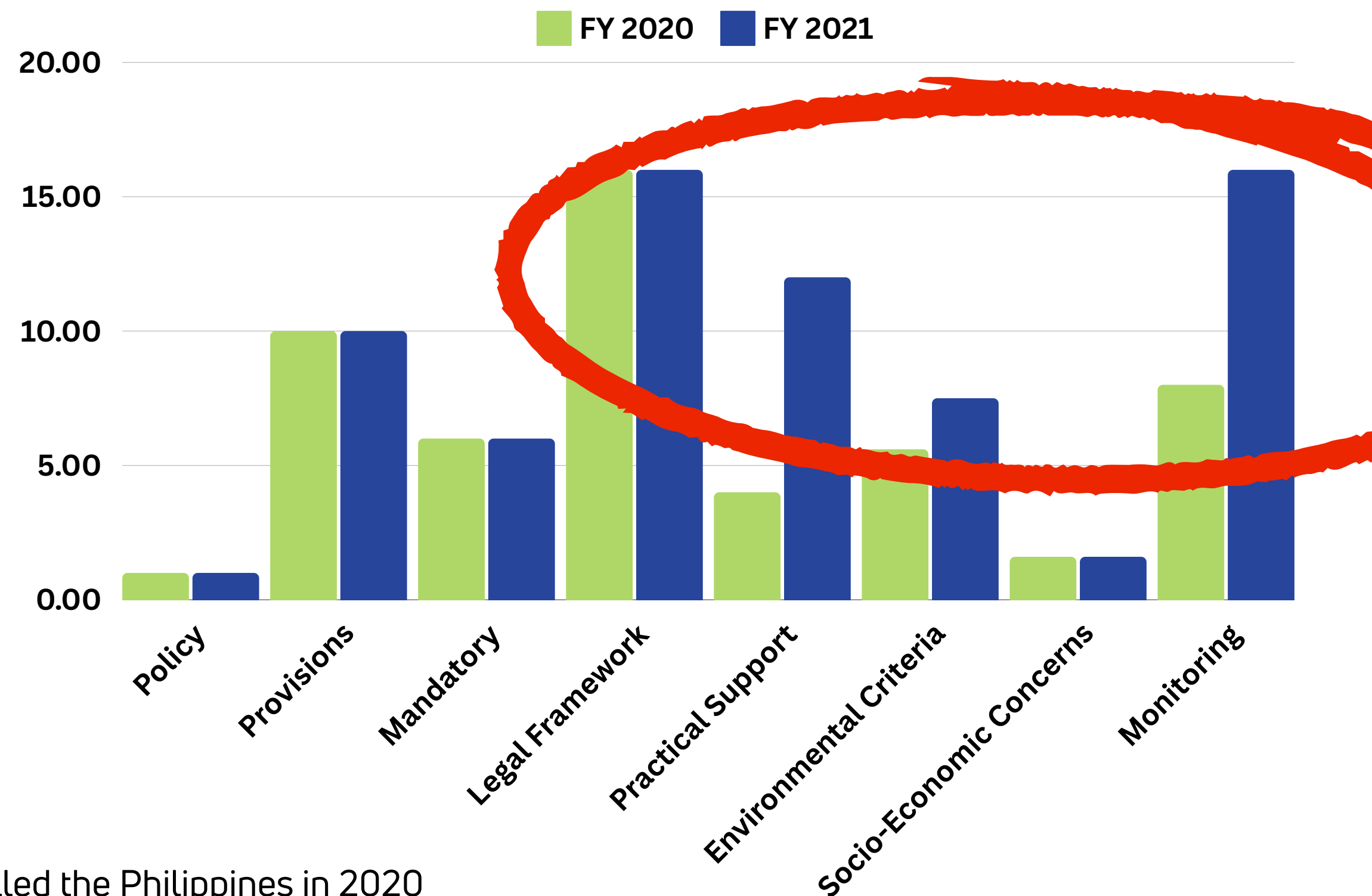
GPPB-TSO Study

- Lack of knowledgeable end-user representatives or units to conduct GPP
- No available green suppliers
- Insufficient funds to procure green items which costs higher
- Fear of failure
- Absence of GPP expert/s
- GPP is not supported or instructed by management

Based on PS GPP Report

- Limited number of green suppliers
- Lengthy verification of green suppliers process
- Expensive testing costs
- Need to capacitate the technical PS personnel in innovation
- Pandemic experiences

UNEP SDG 12.7.1 Assessment



- For the 2021 performance, the Philippines obtained a higher score in the areas on practical support, environmental criteria, and monitoring mechanisms compared to the year 2020.
- The Philippines obtained a higher score in monitoring than the global and regional median.

*Enrolled the Philippines in 2020

Challenges



2023 Pilot Implementation of New Green Products and Services



Efficient Energy-consuming Products and Equipment (Cold Storage Facilities/ solar-powered)



Efficient Energy-consuming Products and Equipment (Air-conditioning Units)



Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions



Motor Vehicles



Construction Materials (Asphalt Overlay for Airport Runway)



Sustainable Textile Uniform



Food and Catering Services; and Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions



ICT Systems/Services, Equipment or Facilities (Data Center)

Way Forward



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Mandatory Implementation by 2025

Way Forward



Green Criteria for Budget Proposals



Green Public Procurement Hub



Standards Operating Procedures



Green Public Procurement Impact Tool Kit



Let's get in touch!



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