

# The EU Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD): the story, a continuing journey and its learnings for India

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## Structure of presentation on EU experiences

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- Possible application to implementing ECBC in India?









### 28 EU Member States: Context, diversity, status

## 500 M population in 28 Member States:

- Not a federal Union
- Diverse sizes from 0.4 M population to 80 M population
- Diverse levels of economic development
- Diverse climates and architectural idioms
- Diverse political/ administrative/ regulatory traditions
- Diverse educational systems
- Diverse approaches to setting building codes
- Diverse systems and cultures of compliance enforcement

#### **BUT ALSO:**

Many common and shared principles









## **European Directives**

- A Directive is issued by the European Commission and approved by European Parliament and Council of Ministers
- It contains mandatory instructions to the Governments of all **Member States**
- State laws by must be adapted or produced in line with the requirements of the Directive and before the specified deadline/s
- A 'principle of subsidiarity' applies, whereby much implementation detail is at the discretion of individual Member States, allowing a diversity of approaches









## EPBD 1 (2002): Key requirements on Energy Performance

The Directive obliges all Member States, by specified dates\*, to:

- 1. Adopt an Energy Performance (EP) calculation methodology that complies with EU guidelines
- 2. Set Minimum Energy Performance Standards for new buildings and 'major renovations'
  - Standards to be reviewed at least every 5 years

Cf. ECBC

- 3. Establish Energy Performance Certification\*\* (energy label) mandatory for all new buildings &/or all buildings offered for sale or rental
- \* <u>Up to 3-year extension was originally allowed</u> on full implementation of some requirements
- \*\* Must be done in an independent manner









# A key support to implementation: The EPBD collaborative forum/ framework

## (= 'Concerted Action')

Launched by EU Commission to promote dialogue and exchange of best practice between Member States







EPBD-CA 2 2007-2010



EPBD-CA 3 2011-2015



EPBD-CA 4 2016-2018







#### **Progressive broadening and deepening**

Legislation, standards, tools

Training, EP certification

Cost optimal, QA, enforcement

NZEB, renovation









# EPBD implementation steps Approaches/ experiences from EU and its Member States

#### **ADOPTION**

#### **COMPLIANCE**

#### **ENFORCEMENT LEVERAGE**

- Governance
- Action Plan/ Roadmap
- Stakeholder consultation
- Cost optimal studies
- Regulatory ImpactAssessment
- Assigning functions, powers, resources
- Admin & data systems
- Legal transposition

Technical standards
Calculation methods
Software
RD&D projects

EP targets

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**EP** certification

Industry readiness

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Legal authority
Responsibility
Registers
Databases
Quality
assurance
Auditing
Enforcing action

Industry action
EP certification
visibility
Skills enhancement
Promotion campaigns
Financial
instruments
Renovation strategies

Institutional & Legal

**Technical** 

**Capacity** 

**`Systems'** 

Enforcement

**Impact** 



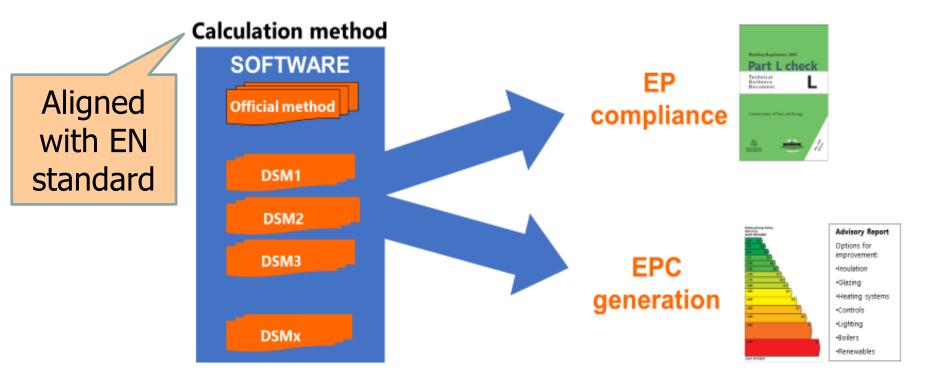






## National calculation methodologies and software

## Dual role of calculation procedure and software



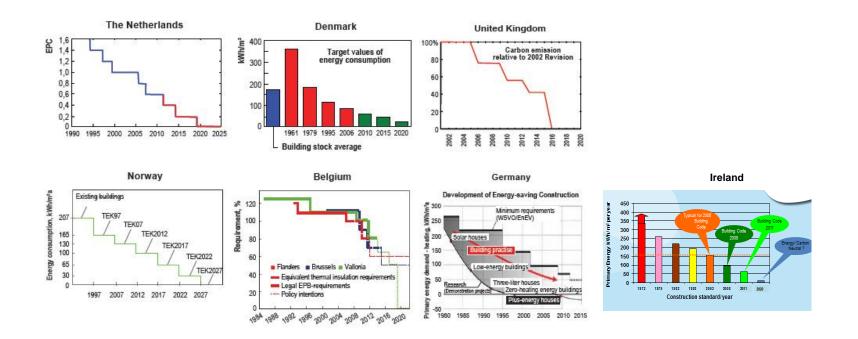








## **EPBD:** accelerating the progression in EP targets



After 31 December 2020 all new buildings occupied are to be 'nearly zero' (NZEB) energy buildings (31 December 2018 for public buildings)





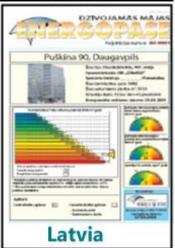




## Design formats for some EP certificates (labels) in Europe

### Many variations ....













Public consultation on design, scales etc.

But, despite differences, we can all "read" similar message in any of the certificates...







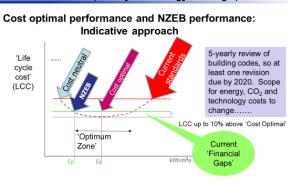


## EPBD 2 ('recast') (2010): New requirements

- Establish and apply a 'cost optimal' methodology\* in 5-year review of EP standards
- Define and achieve a 'Nearly Zero Energy Buildings' (NZEB) standard by 2019-2021 including publishing 'roadmap' to this goal
- Mandatory inclusion of EPCs in adverts of property for sale or rental
- Establish independent monitoring and control systems for EPCs

  Cost optimal studies to review building energy codes en route to NZEB ('nearly zero energy buildings')

\* A form of 'Life Cycle Analysis









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## Defining 'Nearly Zero Energy Buildings' (NZEB)

## **Performance Criterion ('Primary Energy'):**

- □ New buildings: less than 50 kWh/m² for most buildings (possibly 150-200 kWh/m² for intense activity buildings such as hospitals)
- □ Renovations to existing buildings: less than 150 kWh/m² for most buildings (possibly 250-300 kWh/m² for intense activity buildings such as hospitals)
- □ Potentially 'energy positive' (from export of renewable energy surplus.....)

'Significant' Renewable Energy contribution

## **Comfort** criteria - Maintain acceptable levels of:

- □ Internal environmental temperature
- Humidity
- ☐ Air quality and movement
- Lighting levels and quality
- □ Noise

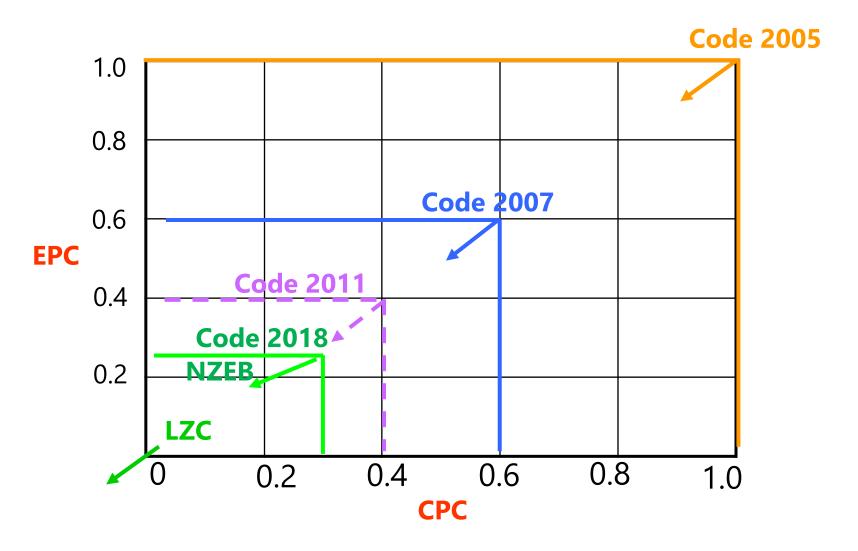








# Simplified example of 'roadmap process' to 'NZEB'











## RD&D projects: helping to build capacity & confidence

Low energy building demonstration projects in Europe: 30 examples from 19 Member States









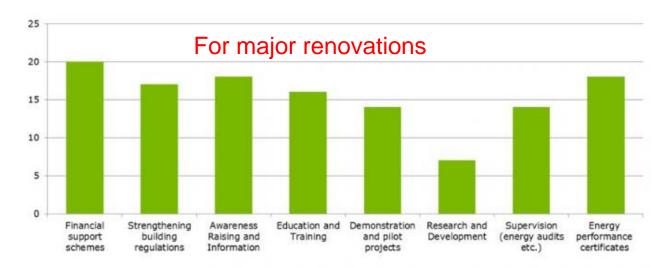


## Main policies & measures in support of improved EP standards

No. of Member States



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# **Visibility of EP Certificates**





Influencing buyer choice & valuation: Emerging research from a number of EU countries indicates that a better energy rating on the EP certificate translates into a higher building price or rental rate

Linking to rules on 'Green Public Procurement' (another EU Directive)









#### Roles of key-players in a well-functioning market of EE buildings



Construction company offers...



Quality

New construction materials and techniques



The industry:
Role,
readiness,
opportunity

EP (ECBC) targets are a 'LEVEL PLAYING FIELD' for developers/ builders Construction is a sector where REGULATION drives INNOVATION

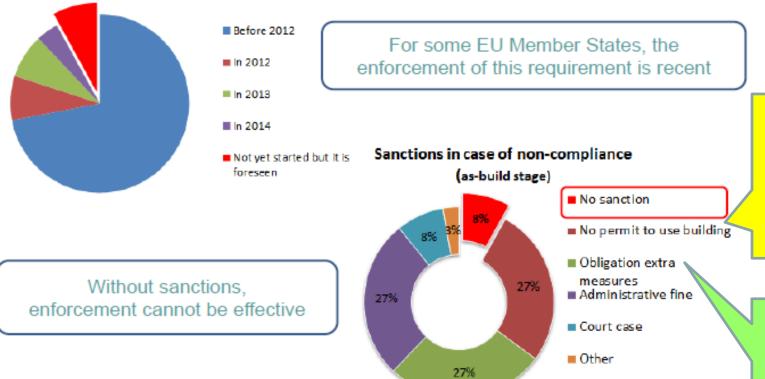






## **Enforcement and sanctions profiling for EU Member States**

When did your country/ region start to enforce the requirements for new buildings?



Most powerful sanction: denial of permit

Obliges corrective action to comply









## Examples of technologies driven by building energy codes

- Higher performance insulation materials
- Vapour barriers, draught sealing
- High performance glazing
- Solar shading and control products
- Passive ventilation products, mechanical ventilation heat recovery, hybrid ventilation systems
- Smarter heating controls
- DHW insulated storage, heat exchangers
- Condensing boilers
- More efficient chillers
- More efficient motors, variable speed drives
- Solar water heating
- Biomass boilers
- Heat pumps
- Group heating for apartments, heat metering, heat exchangers
- Energy efficient lighting: LED lamps, luminaires, controls
- Comprehensive building systems/ offsite construction









#### **EPBD achievements: IMPACTS**

- 1. Energy, cost and emissions savings, plus more energy security
- Step change in code standards of energy performance in many countries – <u>but not all</u>
- 3. EP established as an **integral** requirement in building design, specification, procurement and marketing processes
- 4. Helping to drive **renewable** energy deployment
- Widespread market visibility and awareness of EP of buildings (EPC)
- 6. Evidence of impact on **property values**
- 7. Impetus to innovation (better quality & cost) by designers, developers
- 8. Upskilling of other service providers within the building industry
- A clear policy commitment and path to 'nearly zero' energy buildings







#### **EPBD 3: PROPOSALS**

EC announcement of 'Clean energy for all Europeans' package (2016) – adopted in 2018:

- 1. EPBD contents extended/ modernised
- Stronger requirements on databases to enable QA and enforcement
- 3. Encouraging exploitation of ICT for automation & control
- 4. New obligations on electro-mobility facilities in buildings
- 5. New 'smartness indicator' on readiness for new dynamic technologies & grid interaction
- 6. Emphasis on long term renovation strategies, with milestones leading to 2030 & 2050 (incl. alleviating 'energy poverty')
- 7. 'Smart finance for smart buildings' initiatives









### **EPBD** implementation: SUCCESS FACTORS

- 1) Leadership, commitment & coordination in governance
- 2) Clear action plan/ roadmap
- 3) Consultation and consensus on both legislative & operational details
- 4) Coordinated structures, clear responsibilities (compliance chain)
- 5) Clear and realistic (but sufficiently ambitious) targets, timetables
- **6)** Allied policy activities (e.g. demonstration projects) capacity, confidence
- Technical criteria based on robust evidence –research, market trials, international
- 8) Coordinated **training** programme ensuring sufficient numbers upskilled
- **9)** Tools good quality support documentation & software tools which are validated & compatible with the official administrative systems software
- 10)Investment in on-line databases & ICT **smart administrative systems** enable monitoring, verification, enforcement & future initiatives and strategies
- 11) Well designed monitoring, validation, QA & enforcement systems
- 12)Sustained **communication** campaigns through multiple channels with the industry & general public (including political representatives)
- 13)Active collaboration & **sharing of best practice** experiences









#### SUMMARY

- EPBD in its third phase of evolution
- A key policy instrument driving market change:
  - □ Accelerating EP standards
  - Making EP visible
  - Stimulating innovation
  - □ Paving the path to 2030+ targets
- But variable ambition and enforcement levels across Member States
- Beginning to extend its impact into the renovation sector
- EPBD 3 has new proposals, extending to:
  - Emphasis on renovation strategies
  - Emphasis on finance
  - □ Electromobility
  - □ 'Smart buildings'
- A continuing work in progress......



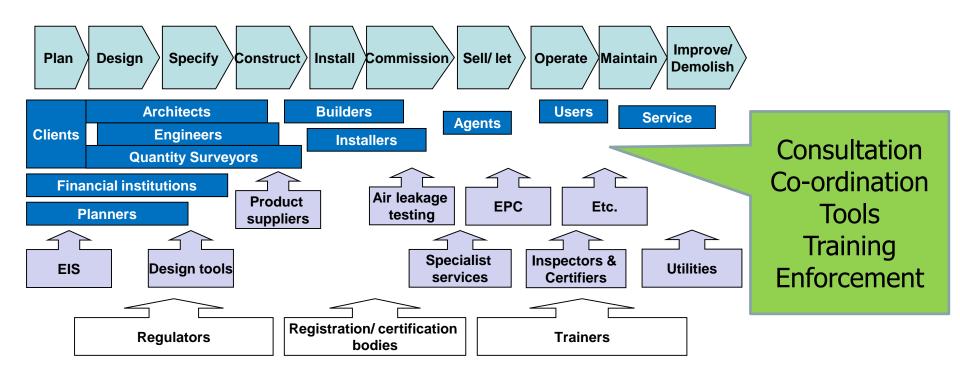






# Lessons for India?: Stakeholders in a complex arena

#### The 'supply chain' = the 'skills chain' = the 'quality chain'



An industry arena of diverse, fragmented, sometimes disconnected sets of skills Multiple market players & influencers









## Lessons for India?: The ingredients for success

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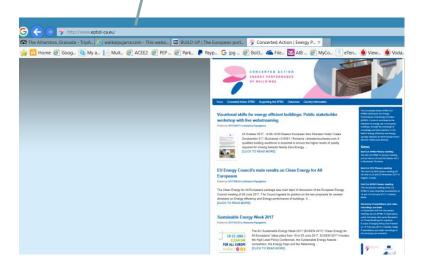
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