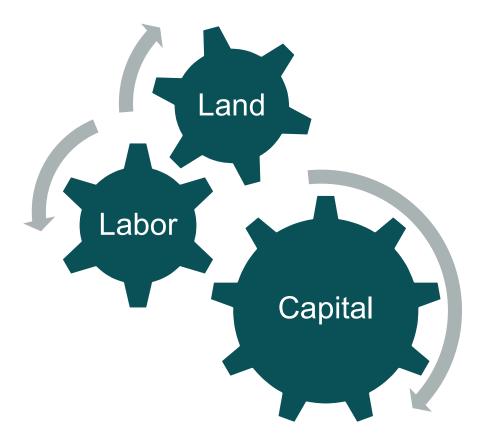
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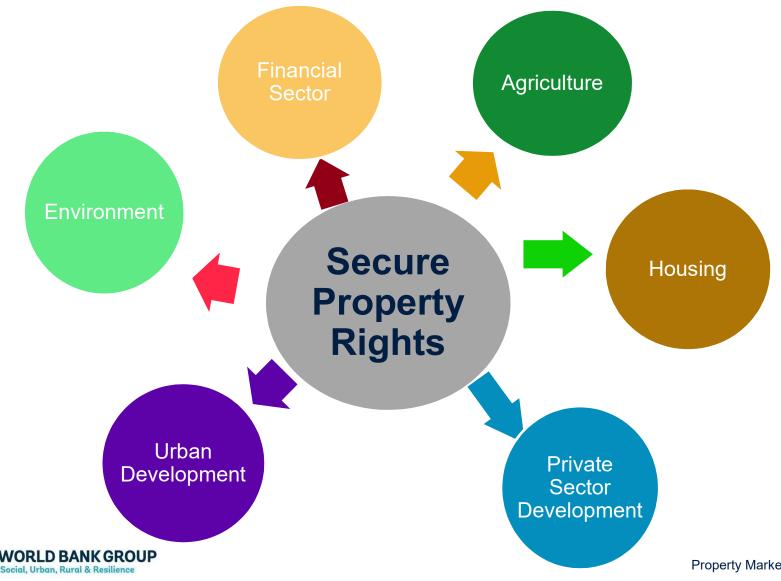
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#### Factors of Production Engine for Economic Growth





#### **Importance of Property Rights for the Economy**



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#### Factors for Agriculture Growth Example from Egypt

- Transforming the agriculture sector: What will it take to boost private investment?
  - Improve investor certainty reduce policy 'surprises' for the private sector
  - **Expanding land-titling** unleash the power of collateralized lending in agriculture
  - Targeted value-chain strengthening and spatial solutions to Drive value-addition and exploit economies of scale
  - Food Quality and Safety System build market reputation & margins
  - Access to agricultural finance Improve to facilitate domestic investments in the sector



# Potential Private Sector Lending Using Land Titles as a Collateral in Agriculture

- Total value of old agriculture land = USD 120 Billion
- Total value of new agriculture land = USD 20 Billion
- Potential for private lending using land

as collateral: USD140 Billion \* 60% = USD 84 Billion





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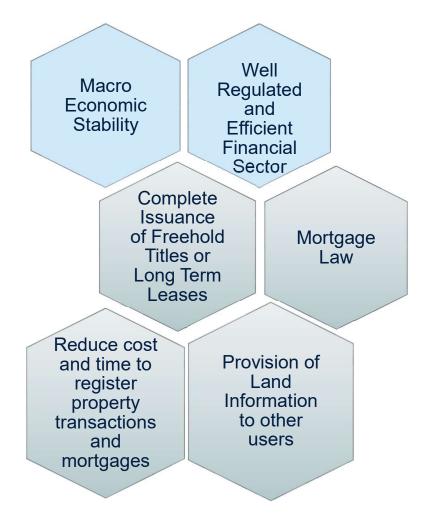


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#### How to Unlock this Huge Potential





## **Complete Issuance of Titles**

**Issue:** Most of land do not have clear land title

#### **Recommendations:**

- Issuance of Titles for all agriculture land
- Issuance of land titles for all land including urban, agriculture, private public, ..etc.. All in one system.





### **Mortgage Law**

**Issue:** Without foreclosure with reasonable transaction costs, private banks will not lend to the agriculture sector

#### Recommendation

- Amend foreclosure law to allow foreclosure of agriculture land
- Simplify foreclosure procedures by introducing administrative foreclosure to reduce transaction cost





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#### **Reduce Cost and Time to Register Transaction**

Issue: many land transactions and inheritance are not registered and registering a mortgage has high transaction cost

#### **Recommendations:**

- Cost to register property transaction is already low (0.6% of property value)
- Complete the automation of property registration
- Streamline procedures to reduce time to complete property registration (in many countries one day)
- Improve public awareness of importance of registering transactions and inheritance



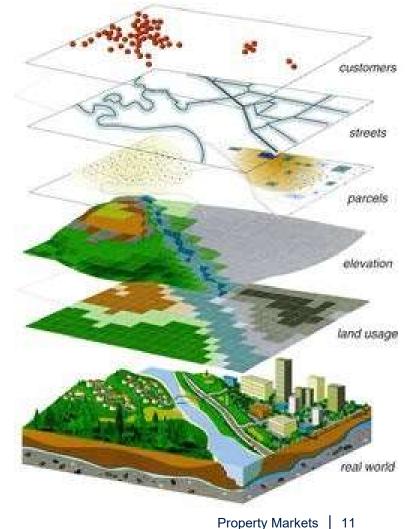


# **Provide digital land information and link it to e-government functions**

**Issue:** Banks do not have on line access to property information including existing mortgages

#### **Recommendation:**

- Implement Geospatial Information Management in accordance to international practices
- Integrate land information (cadastre and legal rights) into e-government functions.. Provide access to information (within privacy laws) to government agencies, local governments and banks





#### **Benefits for Other Sectors**

- Housing... mortgages
- Private Sector Development (SMEs)
- Environment protection
- Equitable property tax system
- Facilitate the development of Infrastructure







#### **Possible Next Steps**

- Undertake detailed analysis of the land sector
- Assist government to prepare a Road Map of Reform that includes policy, legal, institutional and investment needs
- Assist government to implement key elements of the Road Map, including possible provision of investment needs (Project)



#### What Could be Covered in the Road Map (or Action Plan)

• Establishment of clear goals and objectives such as:

"Registering of all properties by XXXX, reduce time to register transaction to less than XXX days; automate the land/property registration system and provision of land information to all government agencies private sector"

- Should cover policy, legal/regulatory changes, institutional restructuring, as well as investment needs for each of the objective areas
- Should be divided into short, medium and long term



# What is Your Country Action Plan??

## Will see it on Friday



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