



Building Public Trust Through Effective Governance and Leadership

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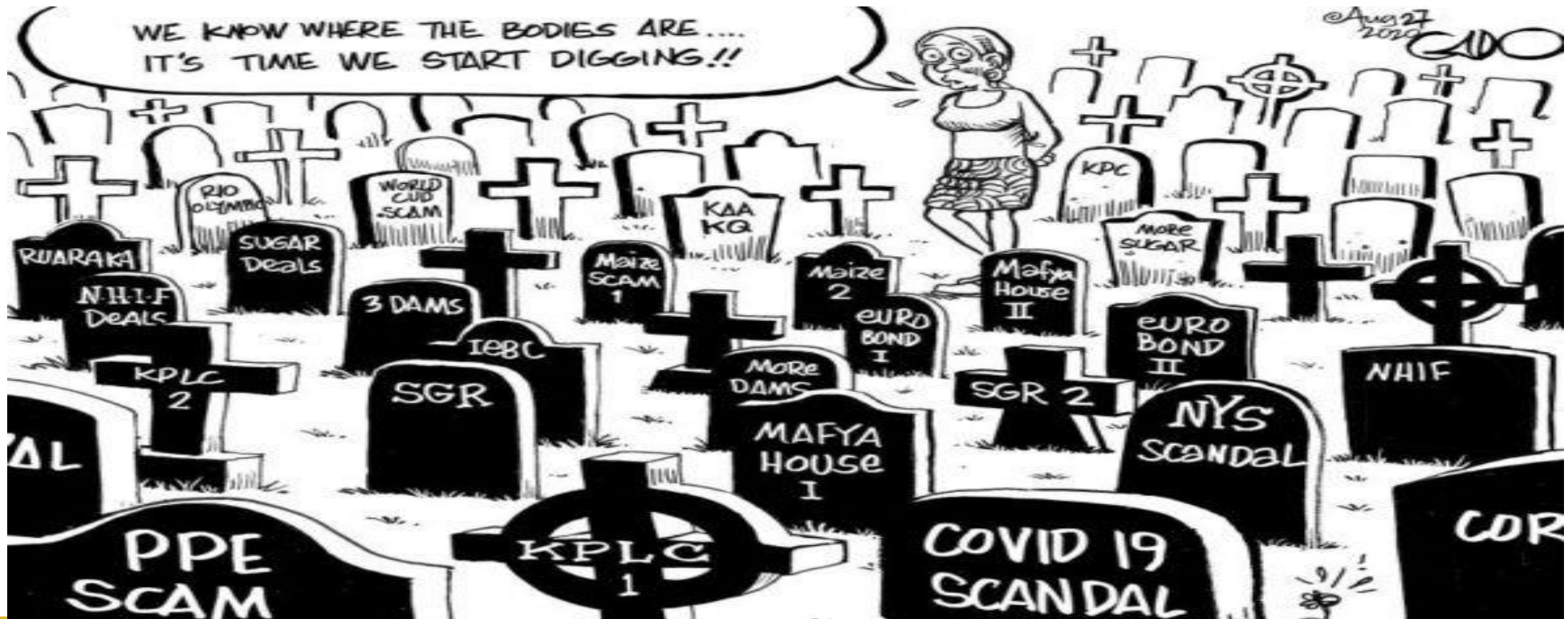
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CURRENT SITUATION OF PUBLIC TRUST IN OUR INSTITUTIONS (2-i)



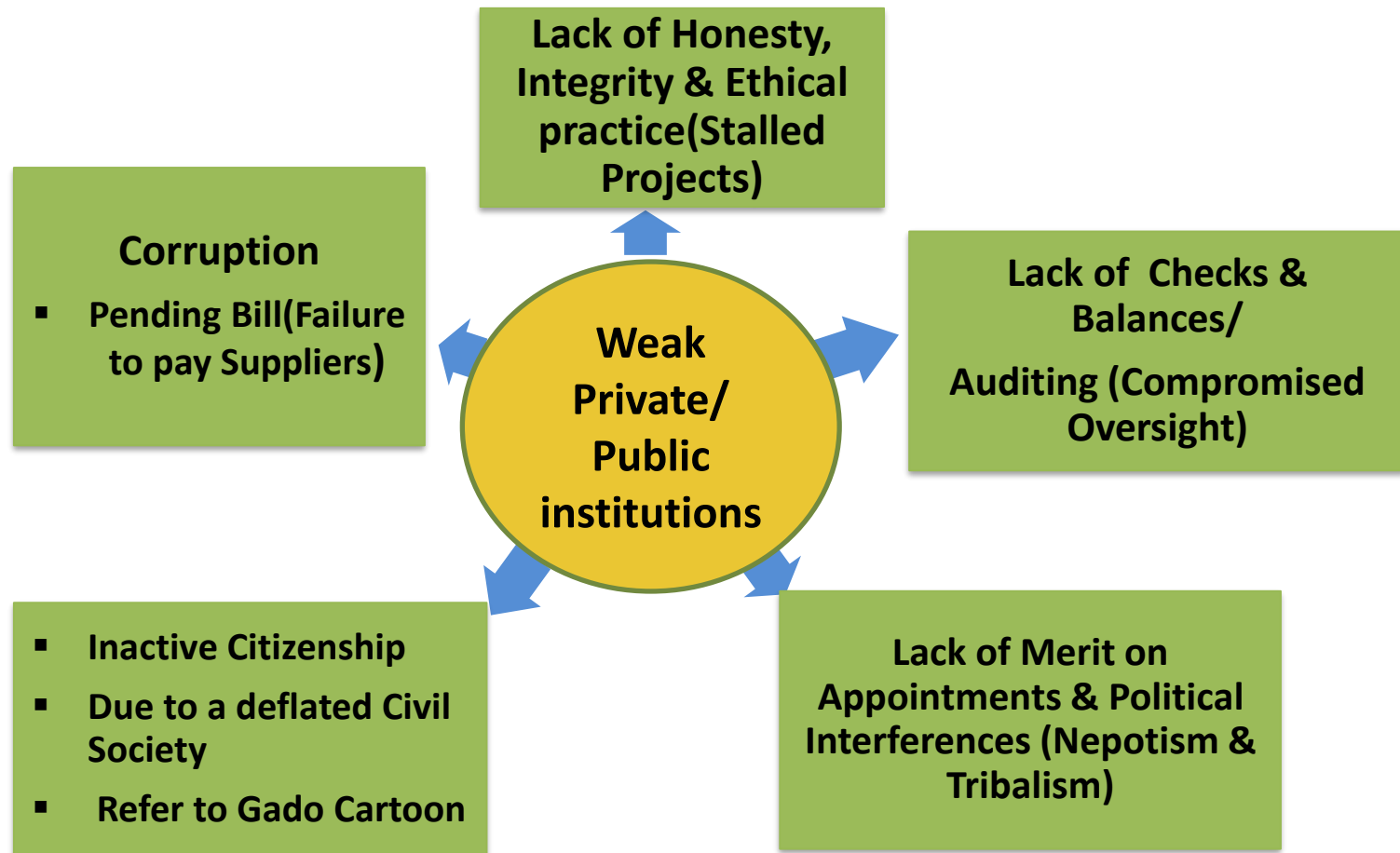
CURRENT SITUATION OF PUBLIC TRUST IN OUR INSTITUTIONS-CONT.(2-ii)

Kenyans are enlighten people and they more often than not know the problem but they sweep it under the carpet and “accept and move on”. This was better demonstrated by Gado in this cartoon.



WHAT HAS ERODED PUBLIC TRUST IN OUR INSTITUTIONS (Why are we where we are?)

Cont.-3(a)



WHAT HAS ERODED PUBLIC TRUST IN OUR INSTITUTIONS (Why are we where we are?)

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Further examples of what has eroded the Public Trust over the years are the following;

- ❖ **Key reports such as “ Report of the Presidential Taskforce on Parastatals Reforms “ unimplemented**
- ❖ **Lack of the follow through on the Auditor General reports on Misspending, Misappropriation and Corruption Reports.**
- ❖ **Our “Independent” Justice system has been weakened by;**
 - Lack of sufficient budgetary allocations.
 - Political interference leading to turf wars between the EACC and DCI which has slowed down criminal prosecutions.
 - In addition there delayed appointments of certain judges due to the stand off between the JSC and the Executive.
- ❖ **Parliament, Senate and the County Assemblies** can also be challenged on how rigorous they have provided oversight to the Executive and Public Entities.

EFFECTS ON ECONOMY-(SOCIAL ECONOMIC EFFECTS)-4(a)



- ❖ Stalled projects emanating from corruption leading to massive losses and inefficiency.
- ❖ Runner away debt from excess borrowing leading to ;
 - increased inflation.
 - high interest rates.
 - High and punitive taxation.
 - Lower than planned GDP rate.
- ❖ Lower Standards of living.
- ❖ Restless and frustrated youth.
- ❖ Increased crimes.
- ❖ Insufficient Free basic education across all levels.

EFFECTS ON ECONOMY-(SOCIAL ECONOMIC EFFECTS)-4(b)



- ❖ **Unemployment emanating from a poorly performing economy .**
- ❖ **Repeat jobs from poor workmanship leading to wastage of scarce resources.**
- ❖ **Diverting public investment resources that would have primarily been used for economic and social growth. This leads to low productivity and lack of competitiveness.**
- ❖ **Slowed housing projects.**
- ❖ **Expensive transport network.**
- ❖ **Difficult and expensive COVID-19 responses and slowdown in the provision of other health services.**

WHAT MUST WE DO TO RESTORE PUBLIC TRUST?-Cont.-5(a)



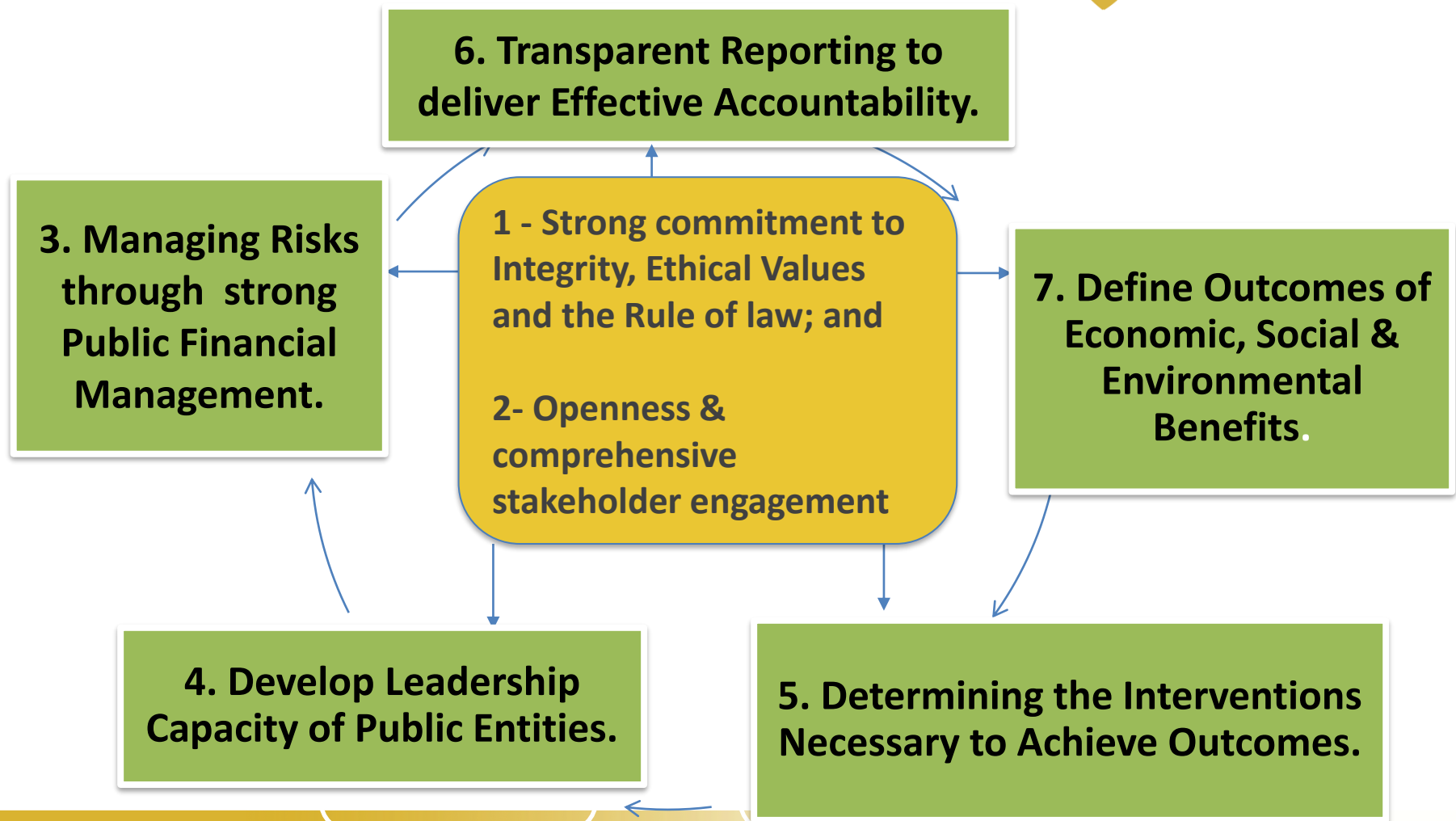
- 1. Eliminate Corruption through enforcement of laws against entrenched impunity and culture of corruption in the society and institutions.**
- 2. Eliminate Nepotistic and unjustified appointments of friends, relatives and cronies to public office through enforcement of merit and professionalism as the key determinant in the appointment to offices of responsibility.**
- 3. Enforce Integrity;**
 - Robust enforcement of the Code of Corporate Governance in the private sector and the legal guidelines in public.
 - Sensitization on national values and enforcement of Chapter 6 of the Constitution of Kenya on Leadership and Integrity.

WHAT MUST WE DO TO RESTORE PUBLIC TRUST?-5(b)



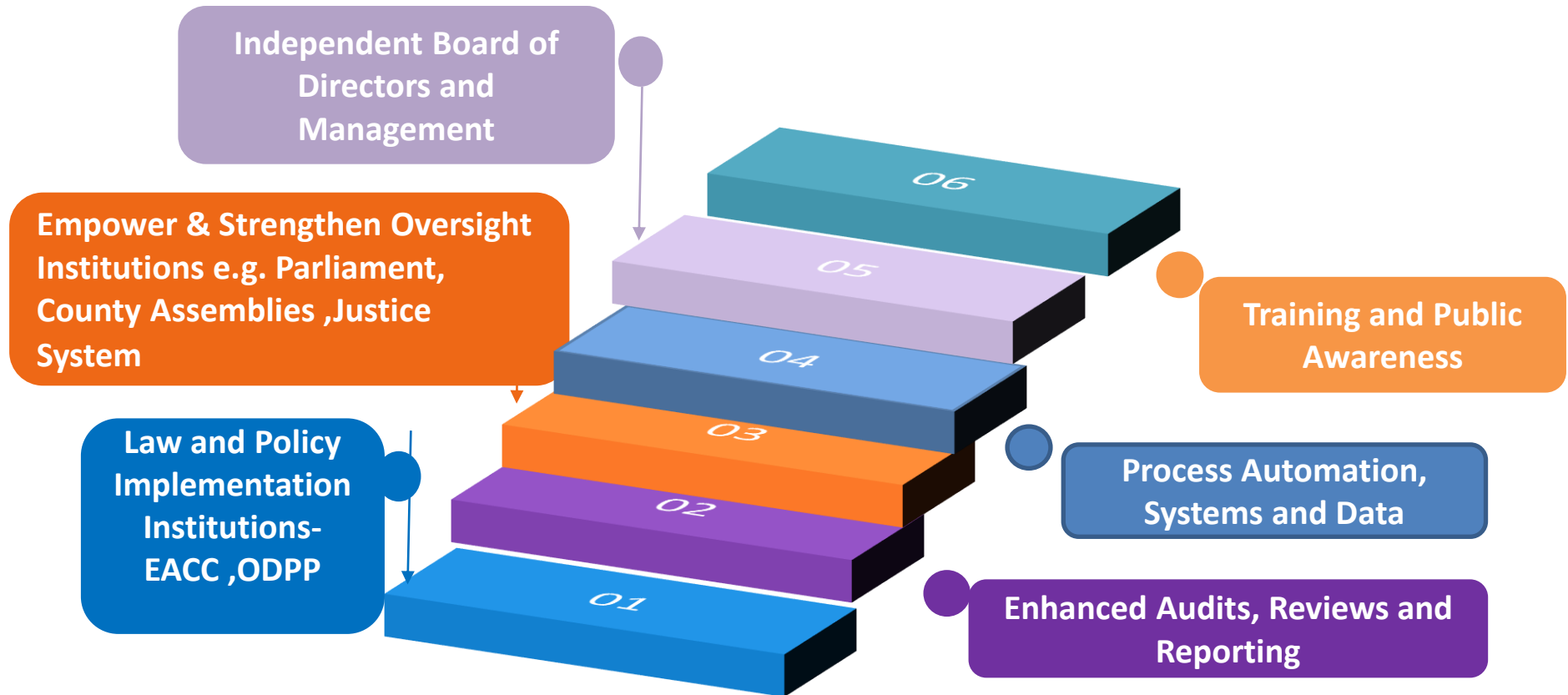
4. Establish proper organizational structures that ensure efficiency and a culture of good governance in all our institutions.
5. Strengthen and empower necessary institutions to fight corruption- EACC, ODPP and the Judiciary.
6. Professional bodies to strictly enforce the disciplinary processes to ensure that members who aid and abet in bad government practices are brought to book.
7. Encourage active citizenship especially amongst professionals.

WHAT MUST WE DO TO RESTORE PUBLIC TRUST-(ACTING IN PUBLIC INTEREST)- Cont.5(c)



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WHAT MUST WE DO TO RESTORE PUBLIC TRUST- (ACTING IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST AT ALL TIMES)-5(d)



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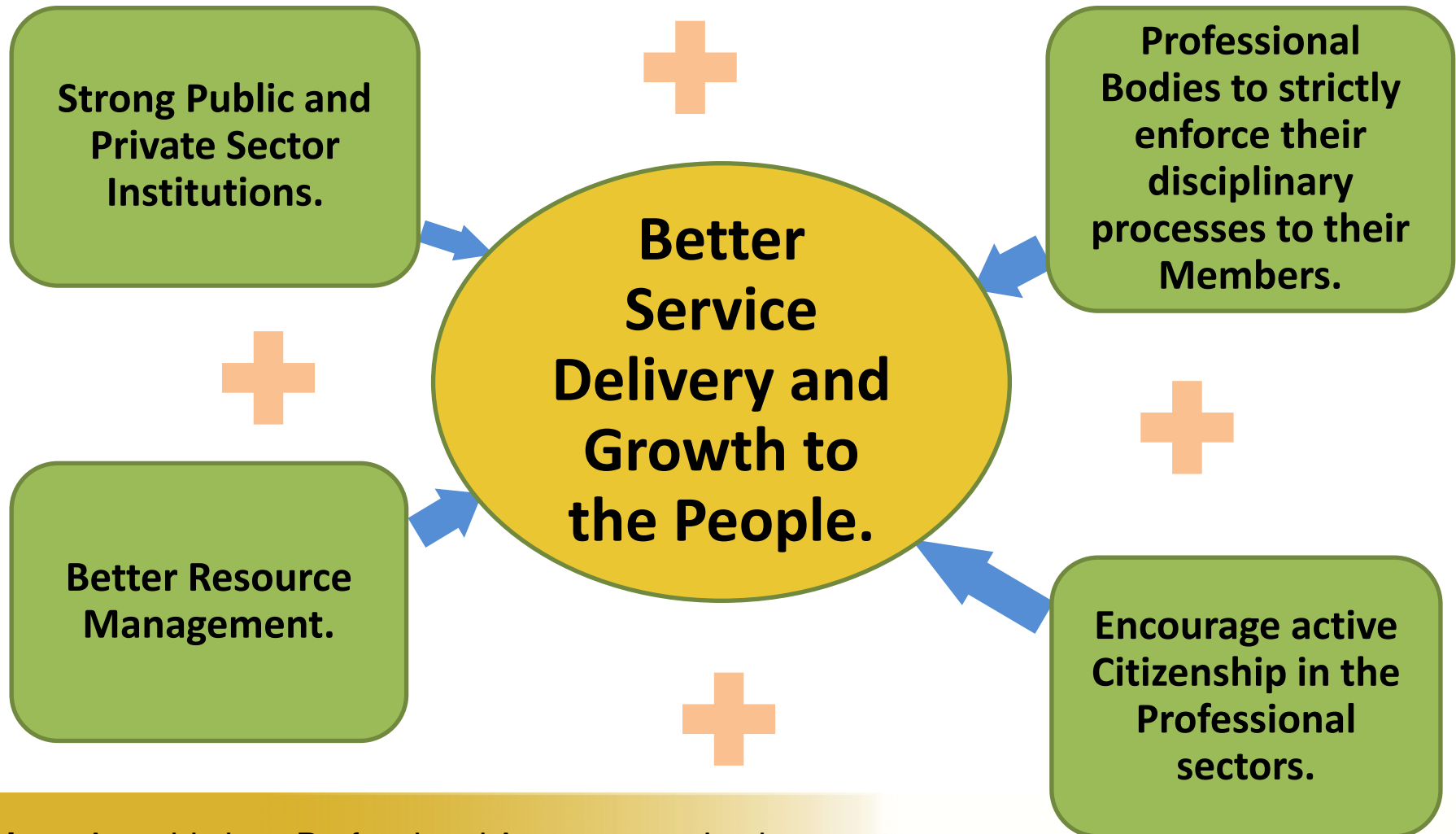
- ❖ **There are basically 5 pillars that must be considered when talking of Good Corporate Governance.**
 - **Accountability**-Leadership that must be ready to account.
 - **Efficiency and effectiveness**-Hence leadership for results.
 - **Probity and Integrity**- Hence leadership that is honest, faithful and diligent.
 - **Responsibility**-Hence leadership that is capable, responsible, representative and conscious of its obligations.
 - **Transparent and Open leadership** with accurate and timely disclosure of information relating to all economic and other activities of the corporation.

WE HAVE PIVOTED IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION IN CERTAIN AREAS-7



- ❖ Adherence to Article 10 of our Constitution is clear “ National values and principles of Governance” which binds all State Organs and All Persons.
- ❖ Adherence to Article 12 of the Constitution that deals with the Principles of Public Finance. Indeed we have aimed to improve it with regards to Revenue allocation; Budgeting process. Efforts of curtailing the expanded Public debts are ongoing.
- ❖ Certain initiatives that have been contemplated in the BBI such as the intention to conclude corruption cases within 1 year as well as introduction of the office of judiciary ombudsman.

VISION OF OUR FUTURE -8



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