



# Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation

## Environmental Conservation Department



## Lancang-Mekong Roundtable Dialogue on the SEA

### Myanmar SEA Policy and Experience Sharing



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# Organizational Structure

Director General

Deputy Director General

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- Admin. Division
- Climate Change Division
- Human Resource Division
- International Relationship Division
- Financial Division
- Planning, Statistic and GIS Division
- Policy Division

- EIA Division
- Natural Resources Conservation Division
- Pollution Control Division
- Environmental Quality and Standard Division

# Environmental Policy & Legislation

- Environmental Policy (1994)
- Environmental Conservation Law (2012)
- Environmental Conservation Rules (2014)
- Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure (2015)
- Environmental Quality (Emission) Guidelines(2015)

# **SEA Requirement in EIA Procedure**

- MONREC may ask relevant authorities to conduct SEA for policy strategy development plan and program prepared by government organizations of state, regional and township administration, self-administered zone and division or private sector ( Sec 10, Article 123 , EIA Procedure, 2015)

# **Voluntary SEA in Myanmar**

- SEA of Strategic Urban Development Plan of the Greater Yangon (YCDC, JICA)
- SEA of National Logistic Master Plan (MOTC, JICA)
- SEA of Myanmar Hydropower Sector (MONREC, MOEE, IFC)
- SEA of Ayeyarwady Delta Strategy (MOALI, NCEA)
- SEA of Upstream Offshore Oil and Gas Sector of Myanmar (MOMREC, MOEE)

# **IFC's Hydropower SEA & ECD role**

- Two representatives from ECD in IFC HP SEA process
- Serve as one of lead agency in the process (Steering committee)
- Coordinating roles between ministerial and departmental level agencies
- Advice on HPP SEA process

# **SEA Capacity building in ECD**

- Participated in SIDA financed ITP-SEA Program (3 representatives from ECD)
- Hosted SEA introduction training program in collaboration with NCEA, 2018
- High Level SEA awareness raising seminar with NCEA , 2018
- Hosted 3 days SEA TOT (ECD, SIDA , NCEA , 2019)



# Challenges

- No SEA legislation in Myanmar
- No SEA Guideline
- Limited capacity to review and advice on SEA
- Weak coordination and cooperating with owner of SEA
- Weak awareness on SEA by the concerned Ministries

# Way forward

- Strategic Environmental Assessment Guidelines
- SEA awareness raising
- SEA capacity building
- Collaboration with relevant line Ministries in voluntary SEA
- Advising SEA implementation

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND ATTENTION**

