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Environmental Laws of Myanmar and International regulations with relevance for EIAs with Myanmar

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Environmental Law

- Pollution
- Sustainability or Resources
- General Principles and Philosophies

International Environmental Regulations

Air and Climate Change

UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD), Paris, 1994 (Accession, 1997)

UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), New York, 1992 (Ratification, 1992)

Kyoto Protocol to the Convention on Climate Change, Kyoto, 1997 (Accession, 2003)

Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer, Vienna, 1985 (Ratification, 2003)

Montreal Protocol on Substances That Deplete the Ozone Layer, Montreal, 1987+
amendments (Ratification 1993, 2012 for recent amendments)

ASEAN Agreement on Transboundary Haze Pollution, Kuala Lumpur, 2002 (Ratification, 2003)

Pollution Control

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), Stockholm, 2001 (Accession 2004)

Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal, Basel, 1989 (Accession 2015)

International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL), London, 1973 amendment in 1978 (Accession 4/8/1988)

ASEAN Agreement on Transboundary Haze Pollution, Kuala Lumpur, 2002 (Ratification 2003)

Outer Space

Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer, 1993 (Accession, 1993)

Montreal Protocol on Substances That Depletes Ozone Layer, 1993 (Accession, 1993)

Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, 1992 (Accession, 1992)

Copenhagen Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances That Deplete the Ozone Layer, 2009 (Accession, 2009)

Convention on the International Civil Aviation Environmental Protection

Cultural Heritage

The Convention for the Protection of the World Culture and Natural Heritage, Paris, 1972 (Acceptance, 1994)

Declaration on ASEAN Heritage Parks (Signatory, 2003)

Biodiversity and Natural Resources

Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), Rio de Janeiro, 1995 (Ratification, 1995)

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the CBD, Cartagena, 2000 (Ratification, 2008)

Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) to the CBD, Nagoya, 2010 (Accession, 2004)

Convention on the International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), Washington, D.C., 1973+ amendment (1979 Bonn, Germany) (Accession, 1997)

Agreement on Establishment of ASEAN Regional Centre for Biodiversity (Ratification, 2009)

ASEAN Agreement on the Conservation of Nature and Nature Resources, Kuala Lumpur, 1985 (Signatory, 1997)

Ramsar Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially Water Flow Habit, 1971+ amendments 1982 and 1987 (Ratification, 2005)

Agreement on the Networks of Aquaculture Centers in Asia and the Pacific Region, 1990

International Tropical Timber Agreement (ITTA), 1996 (Signatory, 1997)

Convention on the Law of the Sea, 1996 (Ratification, 1996)



Myanmar Environmental Conservation Law

- Environmental Conservation Law, No. 9/2012
- Environmental Conservation Rules, Notification No. 50/2014
- Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure, Notification No. 616 / 2015



Considerations of Laws and Regulations in EIAs

➤ Issued laws

Administrative, Agriculture and Irrigation,

Culture, City Development, Finance and Revenue, Forestry,

Health, Industrial, Livestock and Fisheries, Mining, Transportation e.t.c.

➤ Regional or ethnical regulations