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<u>LCLUC and Social</u> <u>And Economic</u> <u>Implications of</u> <u>Industrial Zones In</u> <u>Yangon, MYANMAR</u>

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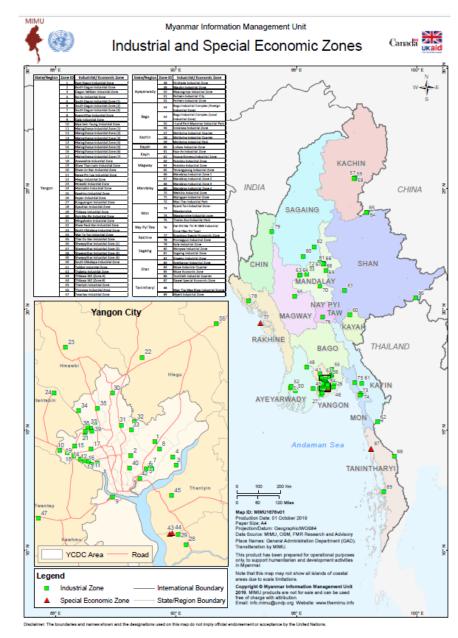
MYANMAR & YANGON

- Yangon = Myanmar's Commercial Capital
- Myanmar = The 2nd largest country in Southeast Asia

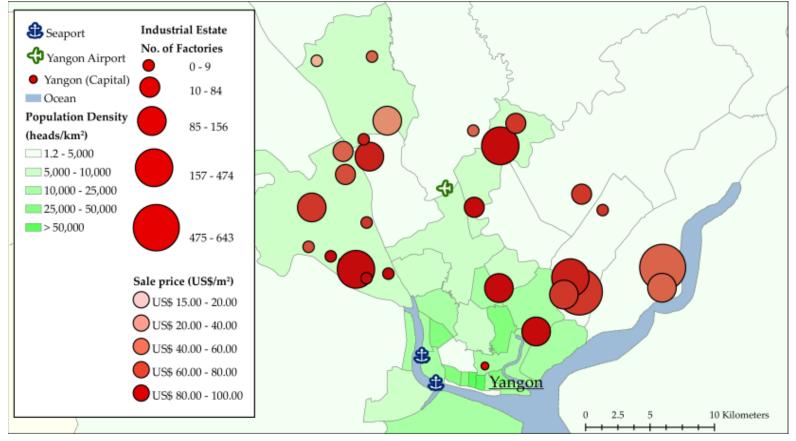


Capital: Naypyitaw Major cities: Yangon (Pop-7 m) and Mandalay (Pop-1 m) 676,578 km² Area: (About 2 times larger than Vietnam $331,210 \text{ km}^2$) Main Export: Natural gas, beans, pulses, teak, minerals, gems and jewelries **GDP - per capita (PPP):** \$1,170 (2022) est.) **Population:** 54 millions

Industrial Zones (IZs) in Myanmar and in Yangon

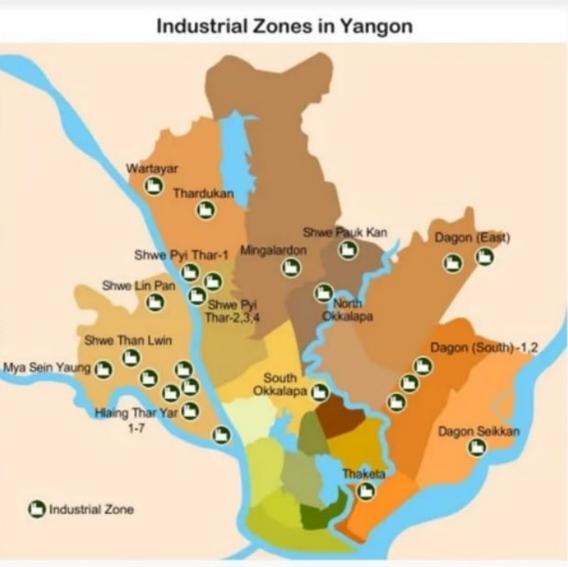


- Introduced IZs and SEZs in early 1990
- About 50% of Industrial Zones located in and around YANGON due to the transportation networks, roads, and ports infrastructure
- Yangon City Area = 598.75 sq-km
- 29 Industrial Zones = 65.42 sq-km = 10.92% of Yangon City Area



Source: Yangon Industrial Zones: Challenges and Recommendations; 2017, Tractus Research and Analysis

- East Dagon Industrial Zone
- North Dagon Industrial Zone
- Dagon Seikkan Industrial Zone
- Kyi Su Industrial Zone
- South Dagon Industrial Zone 1, 2, 3
- Kyansitthar Industrial Zone
- Dala Industrial Zone
- Mya Sein Yaung Industrial Zone
- Hlaingtharya Industrial Zone 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
- Anawrahta Industrial Zone
- Shwe Than Lwin Industrial Zone
- · Shwe Lin Ban Industrial Zone
- Ngwe Pin Lae Industrial Zone
- Hlegu Industrial Zone
- Hmawbi Industrial Zone
- · Htantabin Industrial Zone
- Kawhmu Industrial Zone
- Kayan Industrial Zone
- Kungyangon Industrial Zone
- Kyauktan Industrial Zone
- Thilawa Industrial Zone
- Pyin Ma Pin Industrial Zone
- Mingaladon Industrial Zone
- Shwe Pauk Kan Industrial Zone
- North Okkalapa Industrial Zone
- War Ta Yar Industrial Zone



Thar Du Kan Industrial

Thanlyin Industrial Zone

Thongwa Industrial Zone

Twantay Industrial Zone

Zone

Shwepyithar Industrial Zone 1,

South Okkalapa Industrial Zone

Taikkyi Industrial Zone

Thaketa Industrial Zone

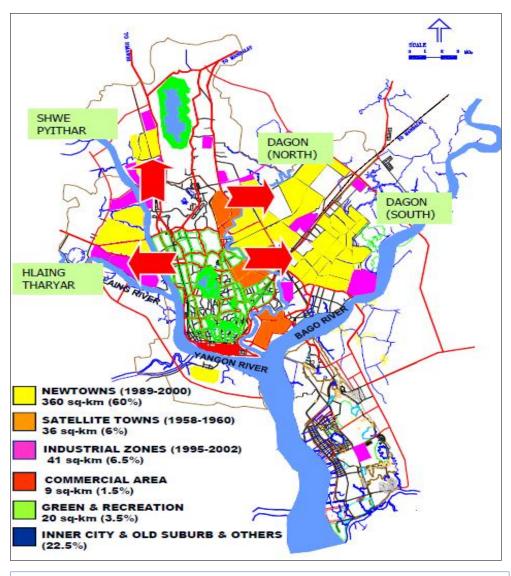
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		Area		
No	Zone	Acres	sq-km	Township
		(Doc.)	(Map)	
1	Dagon Seikkan	1209	6.33	
2	East Dagon	666	8.55	
3	North Oakkalapa	110	0.48	North Oakkalap
	South Oakalapa	35	0.18	South Oakalap
	Shwe Lin Pan	1	5.49	
	Hlaingtharyar (1)		1.79	Hlaingtharyar
	Hlaingtharyar (2)		2.28	Hlaingtharyar
	Hlaingtharyar (3)	1401	1.46	Hlaingtharyar
9	Hlaingtharyar (4)	1401	1.52	Hlaingtharyar
10	Hlaingtharyar (6)		0.31	Hlaingtharyar
	Hlaingtharyar (7)		0.51	Hlaingtharyar
	Hlaingtharyar (5)	223	0.97	Hlaingtharyar
		175	2.55	Dagon new
13	South Dagon (1)	475	2.55	(south side)
1.4	$C_{\rm eff}$ (1) $D_{\rm eff}$ (2)	215	1.1	Dagon new
14	South Dagon (2)	215	1.1	(south side)
1.5	Carth Danam (2)	52	0.42	Dagon new
15	South Dagon (3)	53	0.42	(south side)
16	Shwe Than Lwin		1.91	Hlaingtharyar
17	Mingalardon	7447	0.91	Mingalardon
	Anawrahta		5.57	
19	Thadukan		2.16	
20	Shwe Pyi Thar (1)	336	2	Shwe Pyi Thar
	Shwe Pyi Thar (2)	205	1	Shwe Pyi Thar
	Shwe Pyi Thar (3)	395	1.67	Shwe Pyi Thar
	Shwe Pyi Thar (4)	388	1.82	Shwe Pyi Thar
	Myaung Takar	683	3.92	Mhawbi
	Yangon	903	5.71	Mingalardon
	Wataya	468	1.74	Shwe Pyi Thai
	Thilawa		1.87	
	Thaketa	200	0.41	Thaketa
	Shwepaukkan	95	0.79	North Oakkalap
		15506	65.42	inter et al.

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Industrial Zones in Yangon



Source: The Project for the Strategic Urban Development Plan of the Greater Yangon, Final Report I



Source: GIS Database project of Industrial Zones in Yangon, 2019





GIS project of Industrial Zones in Yangon (2019-2020)



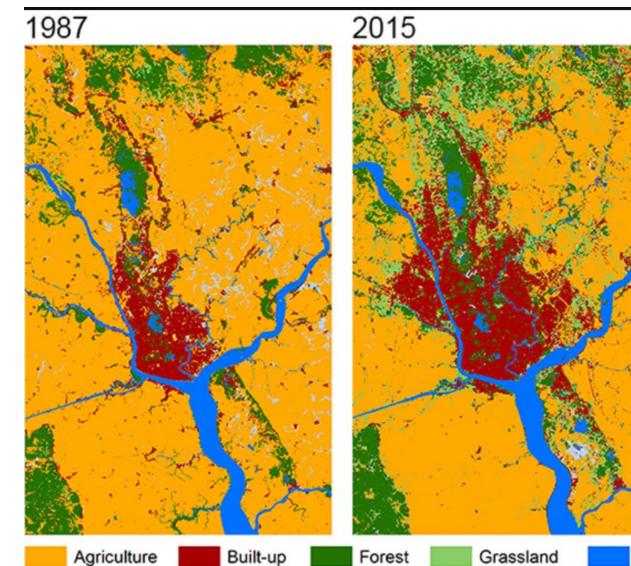
- GIS database covering the Yangon City-region and detailing the 28 Industrial Zones
- Digitizing existing paper based data, compiling digital spatial data and establishment of a Yangon Region Industrial Zone GIS database.



Hlaing Tar Yar Industrial Zone 3_Drain Type

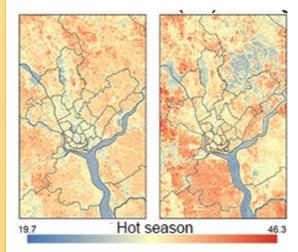


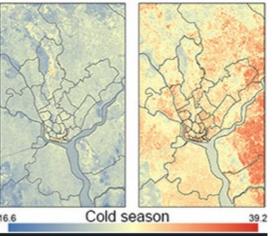
Urban Expansion and Urban Transformation of YANGON (1985 – 2015)



- Rapid urbanization and accelerated development, putting pressure on the environment
- Agricultural lands changed to built-up areas
- LST changed all over the land types

Land Surface Temperature (LST) Change

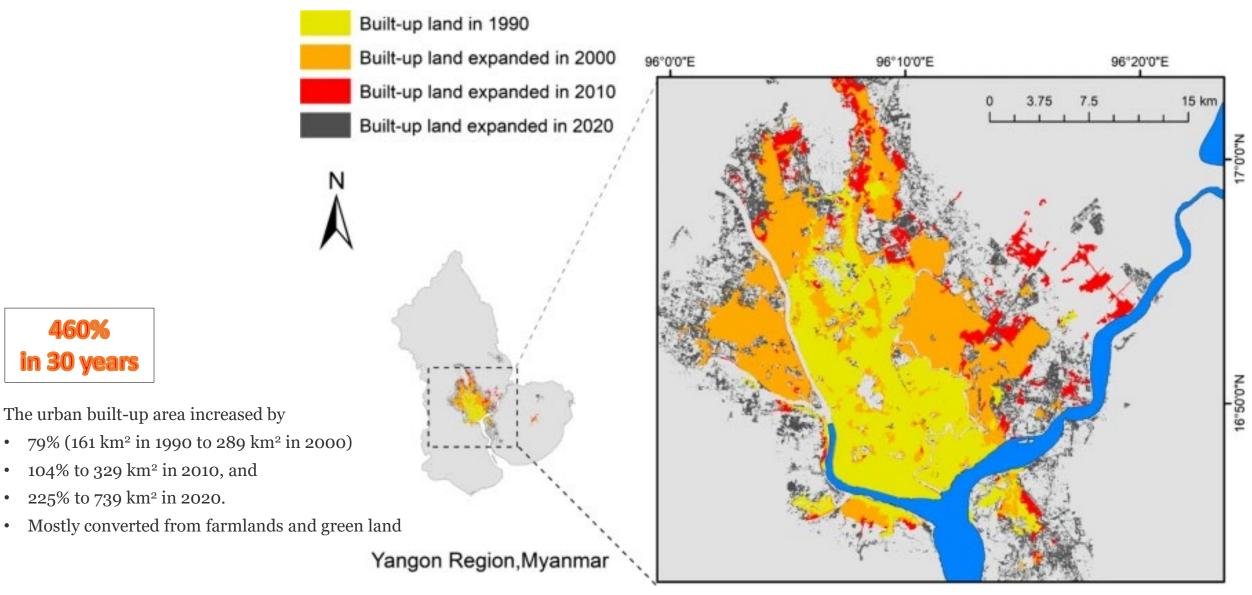




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Water

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Air Pollution in Myanmar

- Acute environmental health issues are on the rise, caused by rapid **urbanization** and **industrialization**.
- 2017, over 45,000 deaths in Myanmar were attributed to air pollution.
- A higher mortality risk factor than in other countries in the region, at almost twice the average for Southeast Asia
- Yangon and Mandalay have the highest PM concentration, PM10, among the cities in Southeast Asia

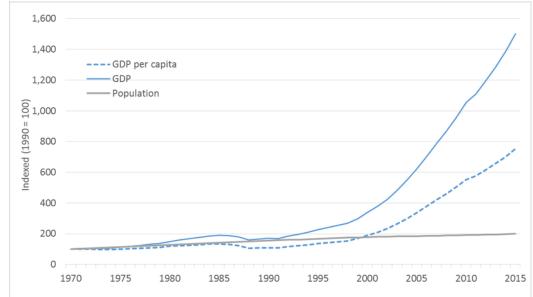
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Positive Economic Impacts

- Attracted FDI especially in labor-intensive manufacturing industries
- Contributed to the economic development and composition of economy







Positive Economic Impacts

- Created the employments
- Make improvements in technological upgrading of the industries and competitiveness in the targeted industries
 - garment factories, steel fabrication factories
 - chemical industries such as emulsion and food production manufacturing

Land Confiscations

- Development of industrial zones came at the expense of farmers.
- A parliamentary report in early 2013 recorded 63 complaints about 109,634 acres taken from farmers in several townships in Yangon for urban area expansion and the establishment of industrial zone projects.



Ref: Yangon Industrial Zones:Challenges and Recommendations, 2017, Tactas Asia



Inadequate infrastructure and of environmental issues

- Fair road conditions, but poor drainage systems
- Power issues (Electricity Black-outs)
- Almost no rail service



Inadequate infrastructure and of environmental issues

- Poor waste management issues
- Few clean water supply and waste-water treatment systems
- Needs further assessment of the water pollution and air pollution









Informal settlements/ Slums

- Internal migration and squatters
 - Rural poor moving to the city and work at the industrial zones, but lack of affordable housing push them to be squatters

Conclusion

Urban Expansion and Urban Transformation of YANGON (1990 – 2020)= 4.6 times in 30 years

Industrial Zones occupy 10.92% of Yangon City Area Industrial zones attracted and brought in the **FDI** especially in the labor-intensive industries Industrial zones contributed to the change in GDP composition, and economic development **Industrial zones created employment** Industrial zones could improve technological upgrading Still needs to address land confiscation issues, and many areas to improve to go for a cleaner and greener

Cảm ơn Thank you

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