

# Myanmar - Norway Bilateral Environmental Programme Phase II (2019 - 2023)



The Environmental Programme's impact is improved environmental management in Myanmar.

The objectives are:

- improve water resources management,
- improve management of biodiversity, wetlands and protected areas,
- strengthen hazardous waste management.

*The programme is a joint collaboration between Myanmar authorities (WMD FD, NWCD FD, ECD) and Norwegian institutions (NIVA, NEA, SINTEF).*



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## **Integrated Water Resource Management institutional building and training (IWRM II)**

Knowledge based decision-making through focus on providing data on environmental status of waters. Coordinated, transparent decision-making with input from civil society.

### **Project objectives**

- Ecological water quality status assessment
- National Water Quality Laboratory
- Database and data user interface tools
- The Myanmar National Water Framework Directive is implemented in selected sub-basins
- Site-specific monitoring plans and risk assessments developed in mining areas

### **Project partners**

Watershed Management Department, Forest Department, MONREC and The Norwegian Institute for Water Reserach (NIVA). Integrated Water Utilization Management Department is an affiliated partner.



## **Conservation of biodiversity, management of wetlands and protected areas**

Conduct training and capacity building, improve management of wetlands and protected areas. Increase the knowledge and protection of wildlife and endangered species.

### **Project objectives**

- Strengthen knowledge on nature management; wetlands, protected areas, wildlife and endangered species
- Implement the National Wetland Policy
- Develop and implement management plans for protected areas
- Compile Red List for species
- Implement restoration plans

### **Project partners**

Nature and Wildlife Conservation Division, Forest Department, MONREC and the Norwegian Environment Agency.



## **Strengthened technical capabilities of hazardous and industrial waste management**

Strengthen the role and capacity of Environmental Conservation Department (ECD) and other relevant institutions on technical capabilities of hazardous and industrial waste management.

### **Project objectives**

- Prioritise issues from the Hazardous Waste Master Plan
- Improve quantification on Hazardous Waste generation in Myanmar
- Initiate co-processing in Myanmar's cement industry
- Build technical capability on handling and treatment of Hazardous Waste
- Strengthen awareness and capacity on Environmental Sound Management of Hazardous Waste

### **Project partners**

Environmental Conservation Department, MONREC and SINTEF.



## Myanmar Norway Environmental Programme (2019-2023)

### Cross cutting issues

The programme's perspectives and approaches address a number of cross cutting issues, including:

- United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Gender equality and ethnic sensitivity
- Human rights
- Climate and environment
- Anti-corruption efforts
- Capacity building through support and participation by Myanmar authorities and involvement of civil society.



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**NIVA**

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