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TENURE AND GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE
Burma Land Tenure Project

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NATIONAL LAND USE POLICY (NLUP)

- Complicated land legal framework
- Drafting in 2014 with support from USAID, SDC and EU
- Unprecedented, inclusive public consultation process
- Endorsed in January 2016
- Based on international good practice
- Political transition stalled progress towards a National Land Law
- National Land Use Council announced December 2017

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Support the development and implementation of a National Land Use Policy and related laws that clarify and encourage sustainable use of land and natural resources

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- Strengthen the land tenure, resource, and property rights of rural individuals, households and communities, with particular attention to women, ethnic minorities, smallholder farmers and other vulnerable groups; and

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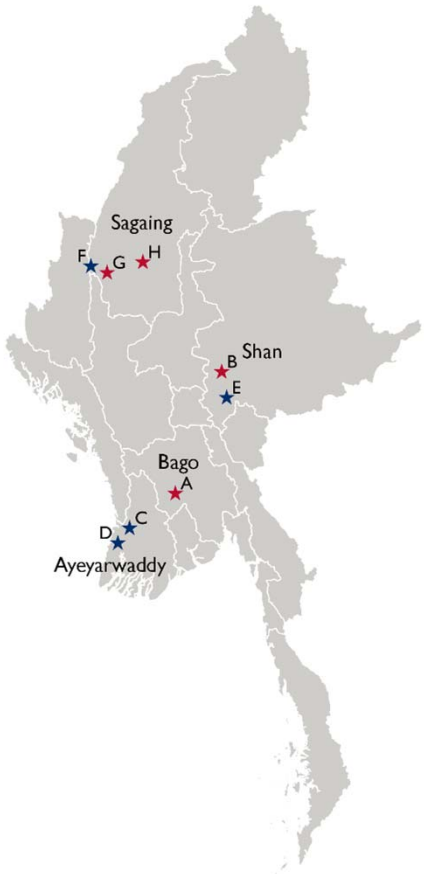
- Increase consultation among government, civil society and business on issues of broad public concern related to land tenure and land use

TESTING THE NLUP IN PRACTICE

- Testing the NLUP in practice
- Community resource documentation
- Participatory methods to map customary land and resource tenure
- Documented village resource boundaries and land uses using participatory mapping
- Demonstrate value of "bottom up" participatory approaches

	Pilot Site	Location
A	Public Network	Yway Gone Village Tract, Minhla Township, Bago
B	Farmer Labor Union	Let Maung Kway VT, Nyaung Shwe Tsp, Shan
C	Badeidhamoe	Mayan Cho VT, Thabaung Tsp, Ayeyarwaddy
D	Pyoe Khin Thit Foundation	Shaw Pyar VT, Pathein Tsp, Ayeyarwaddy
E	Myanmar Institute for Integrated Development	Yebu VT, Nyaung Shwe Tsp, Shan
F	Upper Chindwin Youth Network	Nga Hpar and Khon Doe Myo Thar VTs, Kalay District, Sagaing
G	Upper Chindwin Youth Network	Kyaw Ywar and Kone Maw VT, Mingin Tsp, Sagaing
H	Sagaing Region Farmer's Union	Zee Bauk and Pakar VT, Tant se Tsp, Sagaing



CONSTRUCTIVE, INCLUSIVE ENGAGEMENT

- Pilot activities included land legal awareness training for 663 local authorities
- Mapping process facilitates dialogue between communities and authorities
- Raises community awareness of pathways to tenure security under current legal framework

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Harmonization of the land legal framework and inter-ministerial coordination
- Demand for accurate, up-to-date information about the land legal framework and land rights
- Support public participation and participatory land use planning

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