Supporting Climate Resilience through Reduction of Short Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP) and Organic Waste Management in Battambang Municipality

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The contribution of waste management to climate resilience
Emerging approach to mitigation (Reduction of GHG+SLCP)
Battambang’s Participatory Waste Management Initiative
Role of Waste Management in improving Climate Resilience

Pre-sock phase

Post-sock phase

Waste Management System

SHOCK

Regular waste management Operations

Complete Collection

Waste Treatment

Final Disposal ...etc

Enhancing System Capacity

Institutional
Organizational
Individual

Institution Technology Finance

Measures to improve resilience

(1) Reducing of disaster waste generation
(2) Reducing damage to WM infrastructure
(3) Recovering normal WM service
(4) Managing disaster debris
Role of Waste Management in improving Climate Resilience

- All the activities in waste management emit GHGs and SLCPs

Waste collection and transportation
- Intermediate treatment
- Treatment/final disposal

- BC
- CO₂
- N₂O
- CH₄

- Fossil fuel
- Electricity/Fossil fuel

- CO₂
- N₂O
- CH₄
- BC

- Incineration
- Open burning

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What are Short-Lived Climate Pollutant (SLCP)?

- SLCPs are substances with high GWP and relatively short lifetime in the atmosphere and a warming influence on near-term climate.

- They are powerful climate forces and dangerous air pollutants and are detrimental to human health, agriculture and ecosystems.
What are Short-Lived Climate Pollutant (SLCP)?

Black Carbon
- Small black particles in atmosphere – result of **incomplete combustion of bio-mass**
- Typical result of **burning waste** which is very common in developing countries

Carbon Dioxide (1x)
Methane (25x)
Nitrogen Oxide (298x)
Black Carbon (300-1000x)
What are the Impacts of SLCPs?

SLCPs have negative impacts on:

- Public health
- Food security
- Global warming
- Ice and snow melting
- Weather patterns

SLCPs threaten economic security of large populations throughout the world.
SLCP Climate Benefits Avoided global warming

Rapid implementation of SLCP mitigation measures, together with measures to reduce CO₂ emissions, would greatly improve the chances of keeping the Earth’s temperature increase to less than 2°C relative to pre-industrial levels.

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<th>AVOIDED GLOBAL WARMING</th>
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<td>BC + CH₄</td>
<td>0.5°C</td>
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<td>HFCs</td>
<td>0.1°C</td>
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<td>SLCPs</td>
<td>0.6°C</td>
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Source: Shindell (2017)
It is estimated that around **10-20%** of global greenhouse gas emissions could be reduced by waste management sector.
Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC)

The Climate and Clean Air Coalition is a voluntary partnership of governments, intergovernmental organizations, businesses, scientific institutions and civil society organizations committed to improving air quality and protecting the climate through actions to reduce short-lived climate pollutants (SLCPs).

Objective: Leverage high-level engagement and catalyse rapid and concrete action to address SLCPs as a global and collective challenge to protect the environment and public health, promote food and energy security, and address air pollution and near term climate change.

Strategy: Voluntary and non-binding, action-oriented, partner-driven, multi-stakeholders, collaborative, building on sound science, catalytic, targeting high level decision makers, building on and bringing together existing efforts, complementary to CO2.

Source: CCAC
Battambang City
Participatory Waste Management Initiative
### Waste Composition

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<th>Waste Types</th>
<th>Unsegregated waste at FDS</th>
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<td>Organic Waste</td>
<td>72.8</td>
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<td>Garden waste</td>
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<td>Wood</td>
<td>0.4</td>
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<td>Plastics</td>
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<td>Glass</td>
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<td>Metals - Iron</td>
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<td>Hazardous waste</td>
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<td>Others (diapers, stylo forms, nyrons)</td>
<td>6.8</td>
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<td>Other : 13</td>
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Battambang City – Participatory Waste Management Initiative

Project Purpose

- Reduction of GHG by promoting 3R (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle)
  - Promoting segregation and utilization of organic waste
- Improvement of Composting process
- Reduction of SLCP by addressing open burning and littering
  - Improving

Implementation Challenges

- Resources: Budget and personnel constraints
- Awareness: lack of cooperation by residents
- Operation: Limited waste collection services subsequent lack of willingness to pay
- Trust among stakeholders
Participatory Strategy Development

Lack of communication and trust

COMPED (composting NGO)

- Mayor of Battambang Municipality
- Governor of Battambang Province
- Project Team
- Phitsanulok City
- CINTRI (final disposal site manager)
- Waste Management Unit

Vision
Goals
Actions
**Diversion of Organic Waste**

- **Source segregation**
- **Awareness raising**

**Enhanced diversion**

- **COMPED (composting felicity)**
- **CINTRI (final disposal site manager)**

**Market**

- **Lack of financial resources**
  - (collection and transport)

**Government**

- **Reduction of disposal fee**
- **Monitoring and Technical Support**

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Combatting landfill fire (Landfill management)

- Lack of understanding on health impact and merit of fire management
- Awareness raising
- Operational assistance and financial contribution for landfill fire extinguishing operations
Combatting littering / open burning through strengthening collection services (city areas)

Residents (waste generator = service beneficiary)

CINTRI (collection company)

Leap Lim (collection company)

Low service coverage
Inadequate service quality
Low WtP
Week financial / operational
Loss of mutual trust

Service Agreement

A new contract based on national subsidy
Key Developments Timeline

National governments and development partners

Key Activities under Participatory Waste Management Initiative

- Prohibiting open burning (2015 - now)
- Source separation, collection and composting of organic waste (2012 - now)
- Separation of recyclable waste (2012 - now)
- Landfill fire management (2015 - now)
- Prohibiting open burning (2015 - now)
- Stakeholder agreement on collection service (2016 - now)
- Cleaning Campaign (Every year on National and International Environmental Day in the month of June)
Forging an alliance for core waste treatment capacity is critical step for functioning WM system

Bringing citizens in the front of initiative is indispensable.

Still, means of implementation required to materialize changes.
Participatory Approach – inviting stakeholders to strategy development/project designing from early stage is critical in nurturing a sense of ownership among local stakeholders involved, and in inducing their commitment to implementation of the planned activities. In Battambang’s case, this resulted in voluntary financial and human resources commitment by the service implementers as well as generators beyond reliance to external support.

Strong commitment and support of top-management and senior representatives of key stakeholders is crucial to sustain the introduced policies, strategies and activities in both during and after the project implementation.

On-site visit and participatory training program in distant environment have a high potential in improving personal relationship amongst the key stakeholders. In Battambang’s case, this was an indispensable first step to initiate constructive dialogue and trust building towards goal setting based on shared vision for improving the state of city’s waste management.

Technical supports and guidance from international facilitators through a regular monitoring and evaluation program has high impact on building confidence and competence of local stakeholders for project implementation.
Summary

- Waste sector can contribute to city’s resilience through mitigation and adaptation measures, and enhancing system capacity at both front is required.

- Simultaneous reduction GHG and SLCPs is an emerging approach for mitigation strategy towards achievement of Paris Agreement.

- Waste system varies in terms of waste characteristics, amount, process flows and technology employed, and the mitigation strategy needs to be tailored to such factors.

- Participatory waste management initiative in Battambang Municipality (Cambodia)

- High-level political commitment, negotiation among key stakeholders mediated by external facilitators, contributed in overcoming implementation challenges.

- The success was the result of multiple interventions by national / municipal governments and development partners which collaboratively provided mix of MoI.
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## Japan’s Mitigation Measures in Waste Sector

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<td>Reduce and Re-use</td>
<td>Reduce GHG from <strong>incineration</strong>, <strong>final disposal</strong>, and <strong>biological treatment</strong> by reducing the amount of waste generated, through promotion of waste prevention and re-use.</td>
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<td>Material Recycle</td>
<td>Reduce GHG and fuel consumption from production process by reducing material inputs through altering virgin materials with recycled materials.</td>
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<td>Thermal / Chemical Recycle</td>
<td>Reduction of GHG and fuel consumption from production process and waste management process through conversion of waste into <strong>fuel</strong> (RPF/RDF) and/or <strong>energy</strong> (electricity/heat).</td>
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<td>Efficiency improvement in WM processes</td>
<td>Reduction through altering existing management system / equipment with low-carbon options. e.g. introduction of transfer station, fuel efficient collection vehicle.</td>
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<td>Carbon-neutralizing petroleum-derived products</td>
<td>Reduce GHG from incineration by altering petroleum-derived materials with biomass-derived materials.</td>
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Source: Y. Ueta, T. Enoki, N. Matsuoka (2016)
# Examples of Adaptation Measures in Waste Sector

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<th>Impact on Waste Sector</th>
<th>Examples of adaptation measures</th>
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| Frequent flooding Raise of sea level | Flood damage to waste management / recycling facilities such as incinerators and/or final disposal sites. | - Introduce measures against high tides for sea surface disposal sites.  
- Introduce measures against floods for waste management facilities in low lying areas.  
- Relocate waste management facilities |
|               | Interruption to waste collection and treatment systems due to flood. | - Establish collaboration with neighboring municipalities towards recovery of waste collection and treatment system. |
|               | Generation of flood wastes. | - Develop disaster waste management plan. |
|               | Loss of energy supply due to flood damage. | - Improvement of energy supply capacity of WtE as decentralized energy supply system. |
| Increase of precipitation | Increased precipitation in final disposal sites. | - Improve capacity of leachate treatment facilities.  
- Measures against precipitation at landfill sites  
- Secure drainage of semi-aerobic final disposal sites |
| Increase of temperature | Increase of offensive ordure, vermin, and pathogens in open dump sites | - Apply soil coverage  
- Incineration of organic waste |

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