Seminar on Good Practice Approaches to Land Acquisition and Resettlement including in Urban/Peri-Urban Areas (5 Dec, 2016)



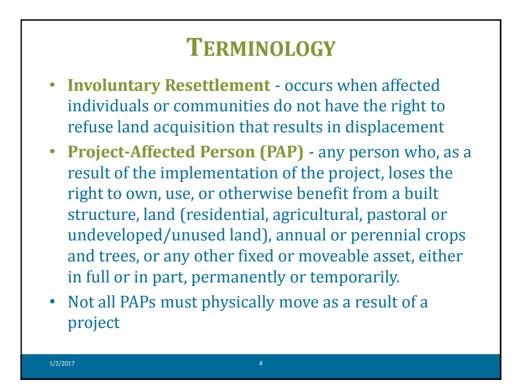
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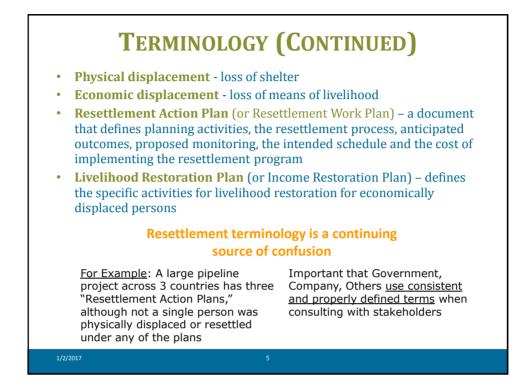
GOOD PRACTICE APPROACHES TO LAND ACQUISITION & RESETTLEMENT IN PERI-URBAN AND URBAN ENVIRONMENTS

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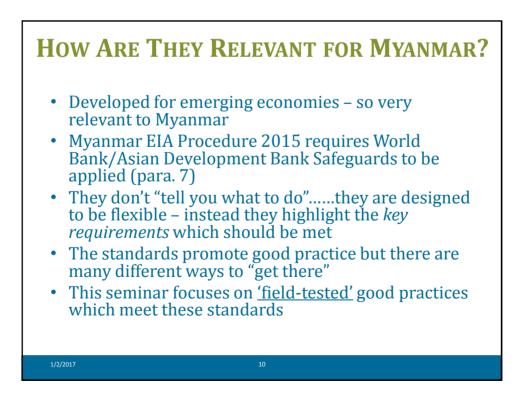










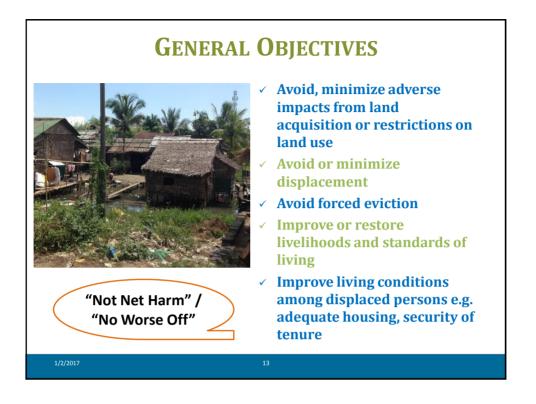


WHAT STANDARDS NEED TO BE MET?

- Resettlement planning and implementation needs to meet both <u>national laws</u> on land acquisition and compensation AND <u>international standards</u>
- Use a <u>Gap Analysis</u> to identify differences in policy and practice (e.g. some levels of Government may not follow own policy)
- The **higher standard shall be met** in case of differences
- Mitigation measures for gaps developed by Government and Companies/Lenders
- Involve experts and advisors including legal

National laws should always prevail; international standards generally require national laws to be 'complemented' through supplementary measures if need to meet more rigorous requirements

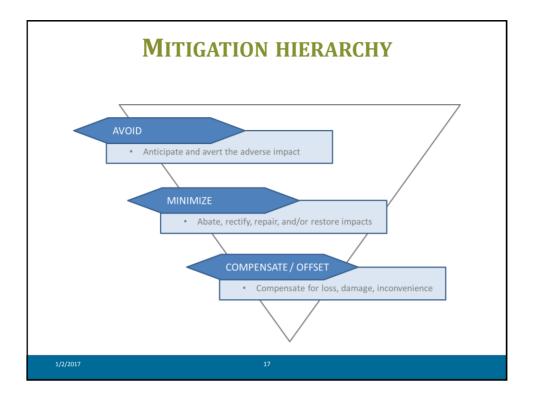
	Inter	RNATIONA	L REQUIREME	NTS
Myanmar	No policy, practice or legislation for avoiding / minimizing resettlement	Cut-off Date not required	Compensation rates for land set by Government but not required to meet full replacement cost	Some legislation requires standard of living to be restored but in practice this is not applied
International	Require documented evidence of alternatives analysis and effort to minimize land acquisition	Cut-off date should be set at time of inventory / DMS and publicly announced	Full replacement cost including transaction cost should be met	Livelihood restoration required until livelihoods restored; transition allowance also expected





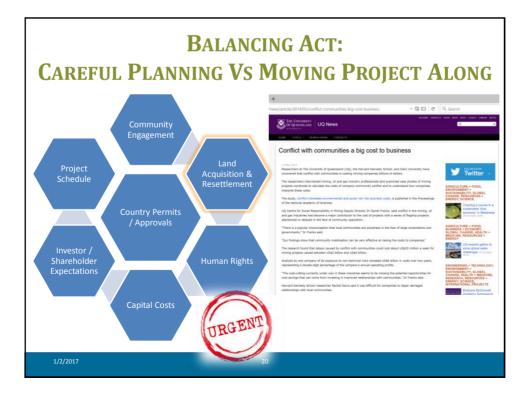


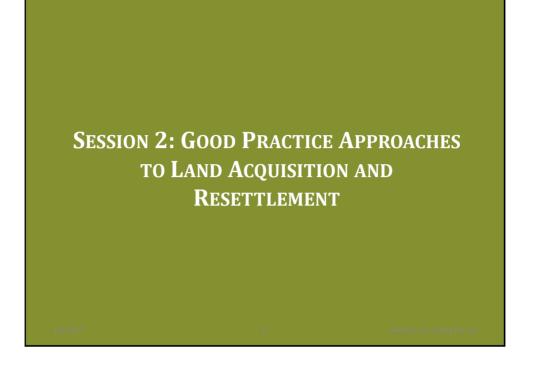


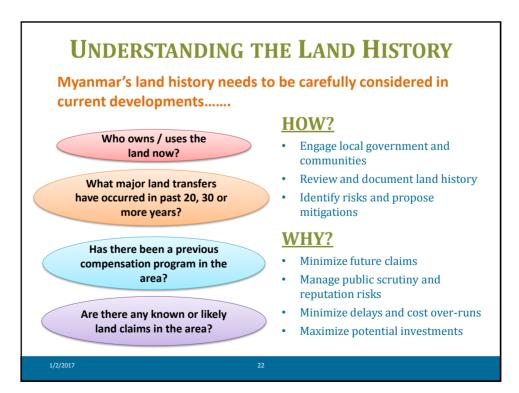












Some Real Examples From Myanmar

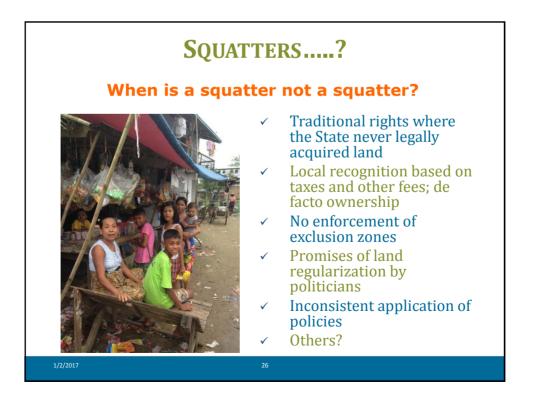
Government manages land acquisition for a company. Land classification based on survey maps/data from 1917. Land Use Certificates issued in 2012 under new Land Law. Only farmland from 1917 is paid at higher compensation rate; all other land is deemed pastureland and paid at a lower rate. In reality, the land is of similar quality across the whole area.

Farmer is cultivating land that is needed to build a resettlement site. Government pays crop compensation to farmer; brothers and sisters also make claim on the land.

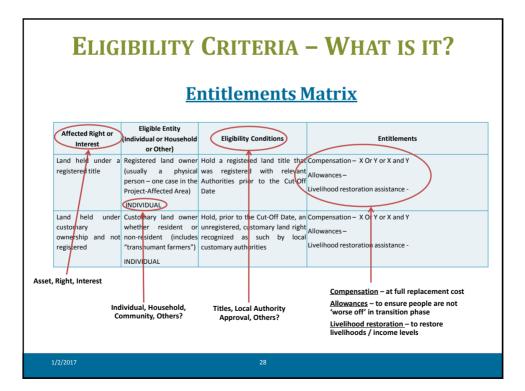
Land acquired by Government in 1990's. Land was not developed then but is now being developed by a private company. Compensation is being paid to current users but they are not the 'original owners' who still live nearby.

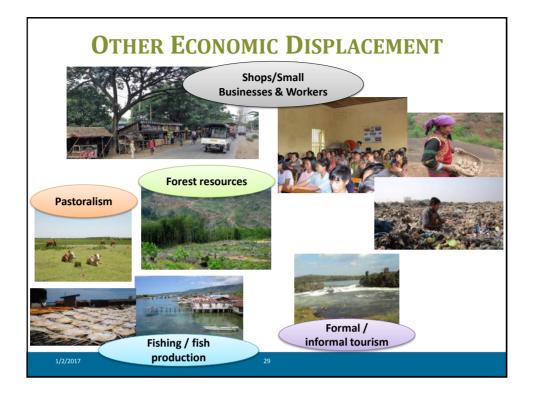


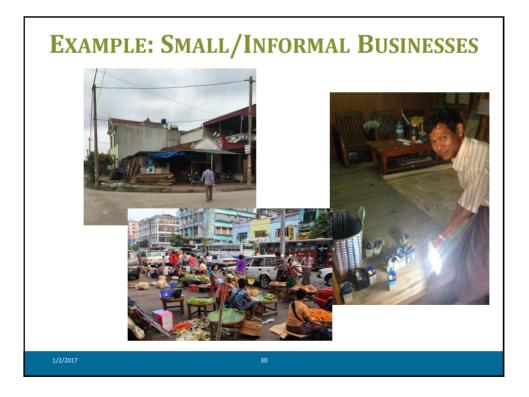


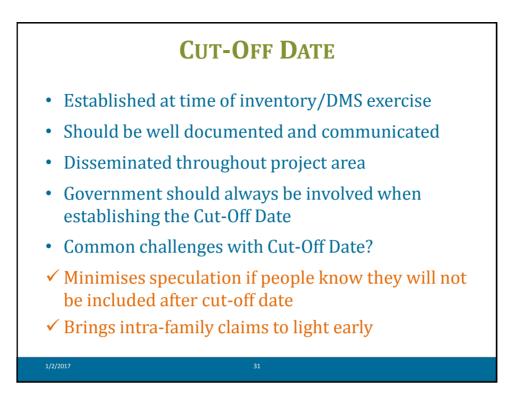


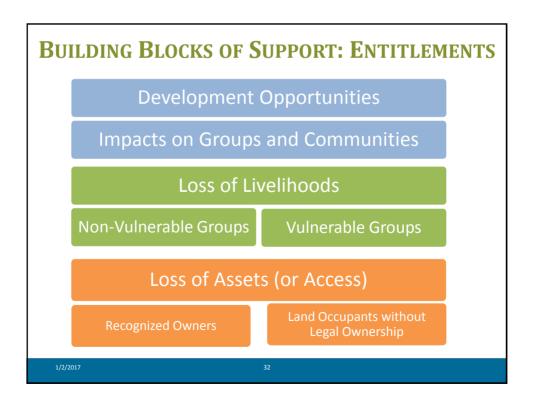


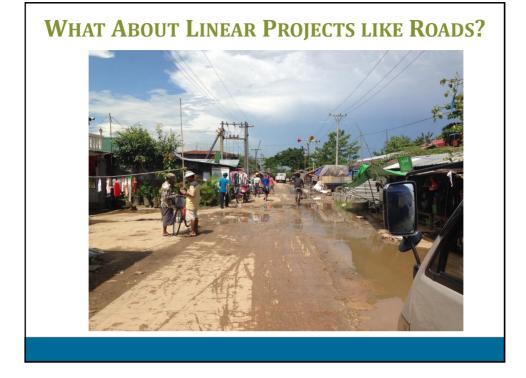


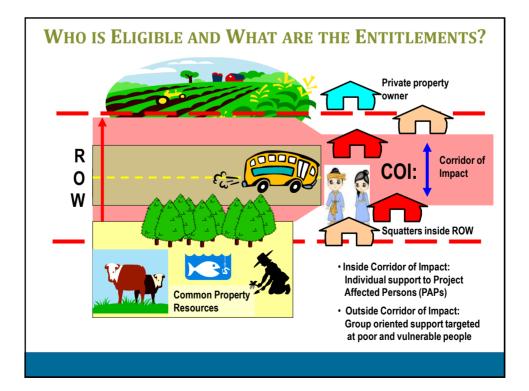




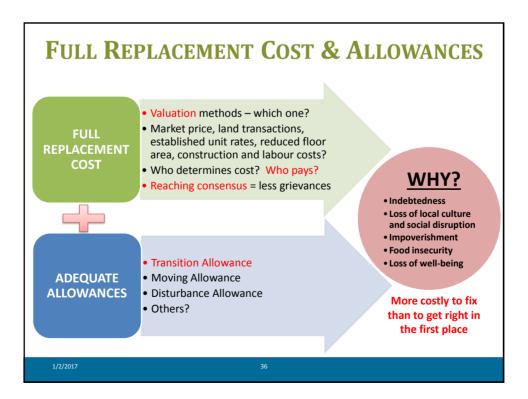


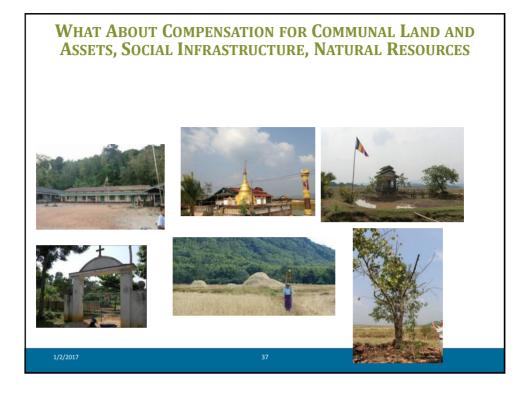


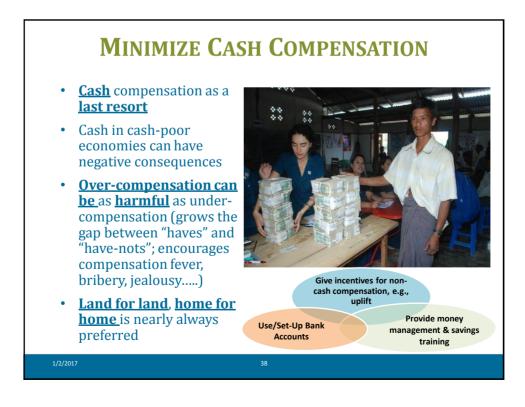


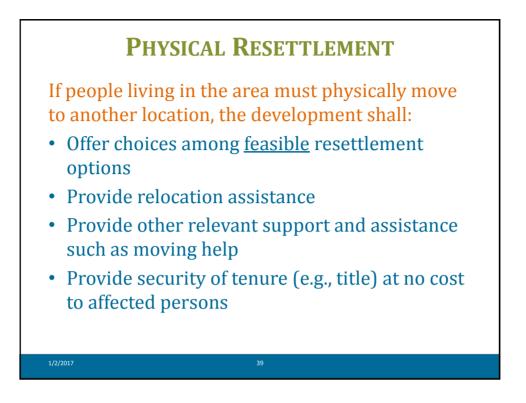


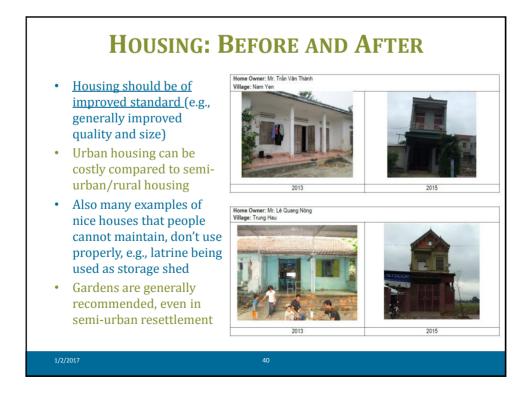




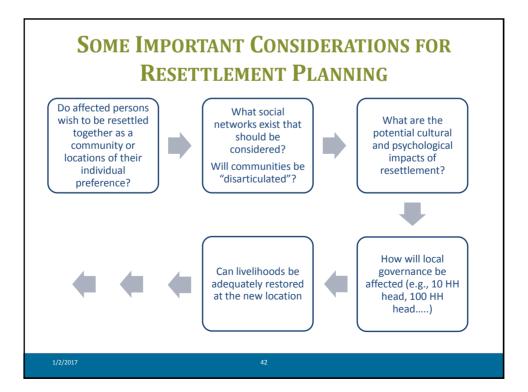












SHOULD AFFECTED PEOPLE BE ALLOWED TO BUILD THEIR OWN HOMES?

- Sometimes affected people will want to build their own homes and this is usually an option the project should offer
- Self reconstruction is often a good option, particularly in urban resettlement of low-income communities – the strategy can be based on providing a developed plot with basic services and access to credit
- Other options include providing a developed plot and shell for the home that the affected household can then 'fit-out' themselves

Reconstruction of houses in resettlement projects provides good opportunities for employment, local/local procurement and capacity building but there can also be risks

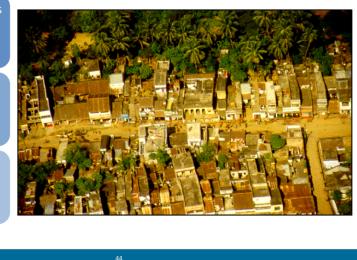


RESETTLEMENT SITES AND INFILL RESETTLEMENT

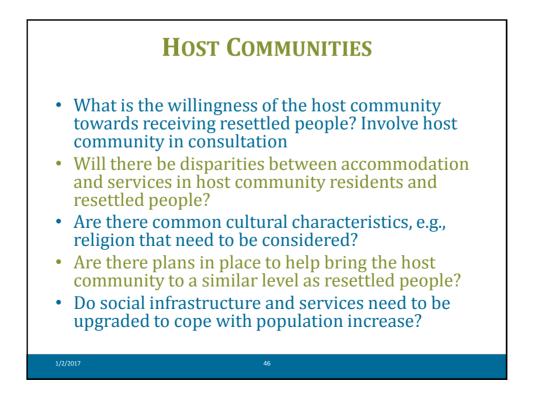
Resettlement sites are not always possible in urban environments

Infill resettlement might be more appropriate

When should selfrelocation be encouraged?







KEY CONSIDERATIONS FOR LIVELIHOOD RESTORATION

- Improve or at least restore livelihoods
- It is challenging; particularly for agricultureor fishing- based economies
- Should include <u>viable</u> alternatives
- Experience shows that it is usually very difficult to 'change' livelihoods
- Is there a history of success or failure of the proposed models?
- Are there adequate food security measures in each of the models?
- Jobs for affected persons/locals during construction & operation of a project do not happen without considerable efforts







