

A nighttime photograph of a city, likely in Myanmar, featuring a large, illuminated pagoda (Stupa) in the background. The pagoda is lit up with warm yellow lights, contrasting with the dark blue night sky. In the foreground, there are several multi-story buildings with lit windows, and lush green trees are visible. The entire scene is framed by a dashed white border.

Opportunities & Risks in Investing in Myanmar



OVERVIEW



Myanmar



Laos



Cambodia



Vietnam



Thailand

Population
million

53.37

6.86

16

94.54

69.04

GDP
USD (billion)

69.32

16.85

22.16

223.86

455.22

GDP growth rate
Annual %

6.4%

6.8%

6.9%

6.8%

3.9%

GDP per capita
USD

1,298.9

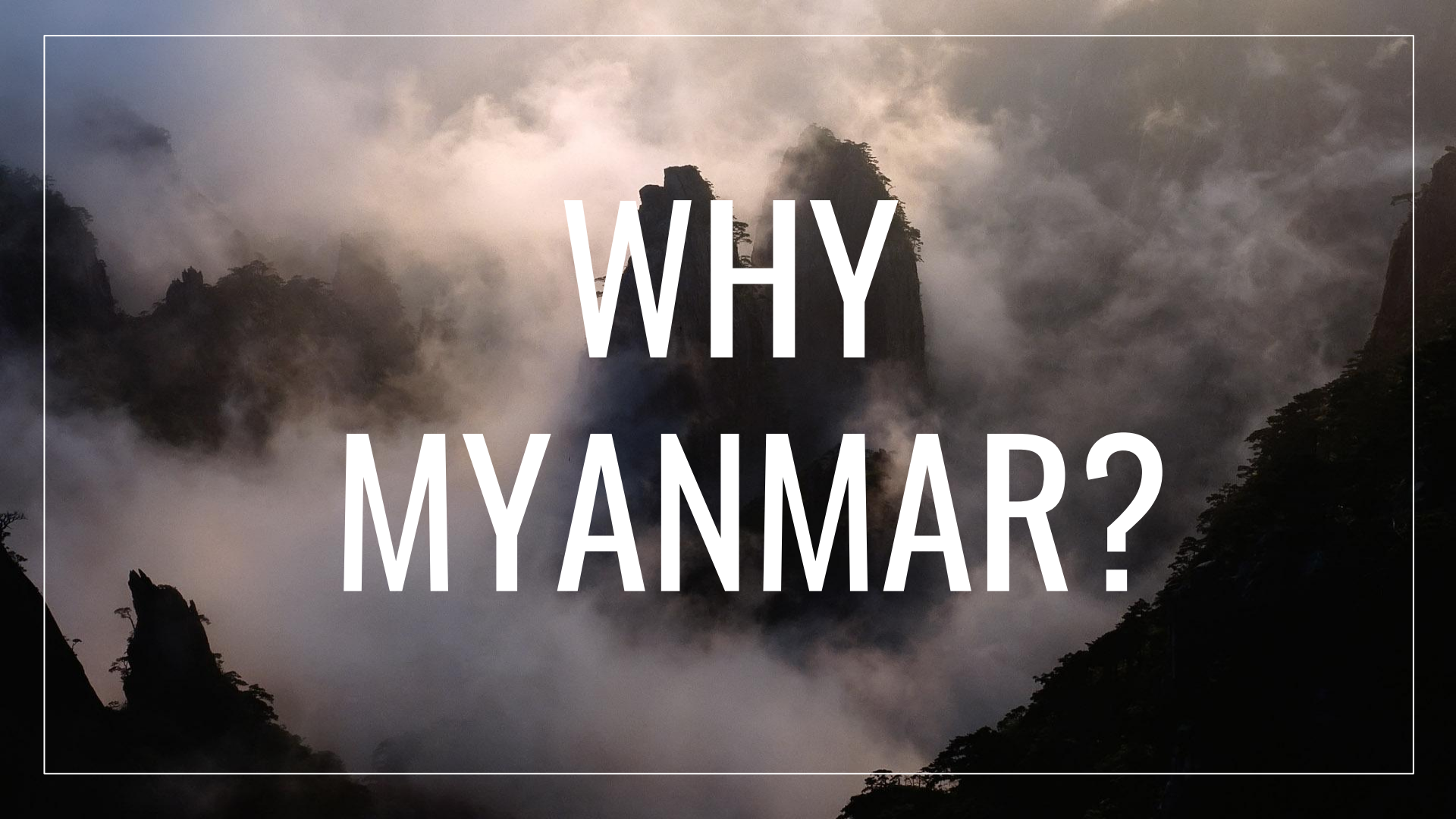
2,457.4

1,384.4

2,343.1

6,593.8

Source : World Bank (2017)

A dramatic landscape photograph of a mountain peak, likely Mount Everest, shrouded in mist and clouds. The sun is visible behind the peak, creating a bright glow and illuminating the clouds. The text "WHY MYANMAR?" is overlaid in large, white, sans-serif capital letters. The entire image is framed by a thin white border.

WHY MYANMAR?

The opportunity...

Potential
to achieve

\$200 billion+

GDP in 2030, over four times as high as today

500 million

people living in countries bordering
Myanmar and the closet parts China and
India, a huge potential market

Potential
to create
more than

10 billion

additional non agricultural jobs by 2030



...and the risks

\$1500

average productivity of a worker in Myanmar today, about 70 percent below that of benchmark Asian countries

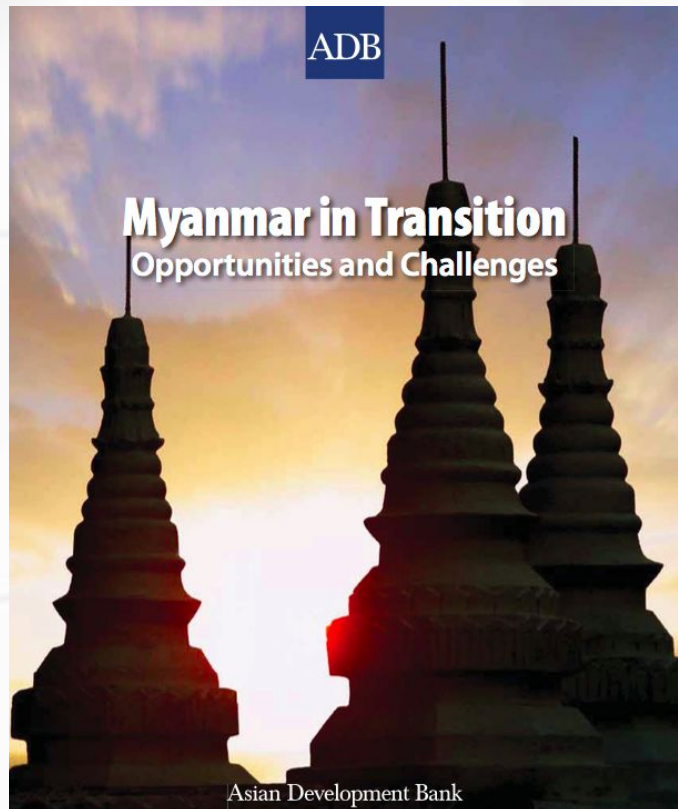
4 years

of average schooling in Myanmar by UNDP human development

\$650 billion

Total investment needed by 2030 to support growth potential, **\$320 billion** in infrastructure alone

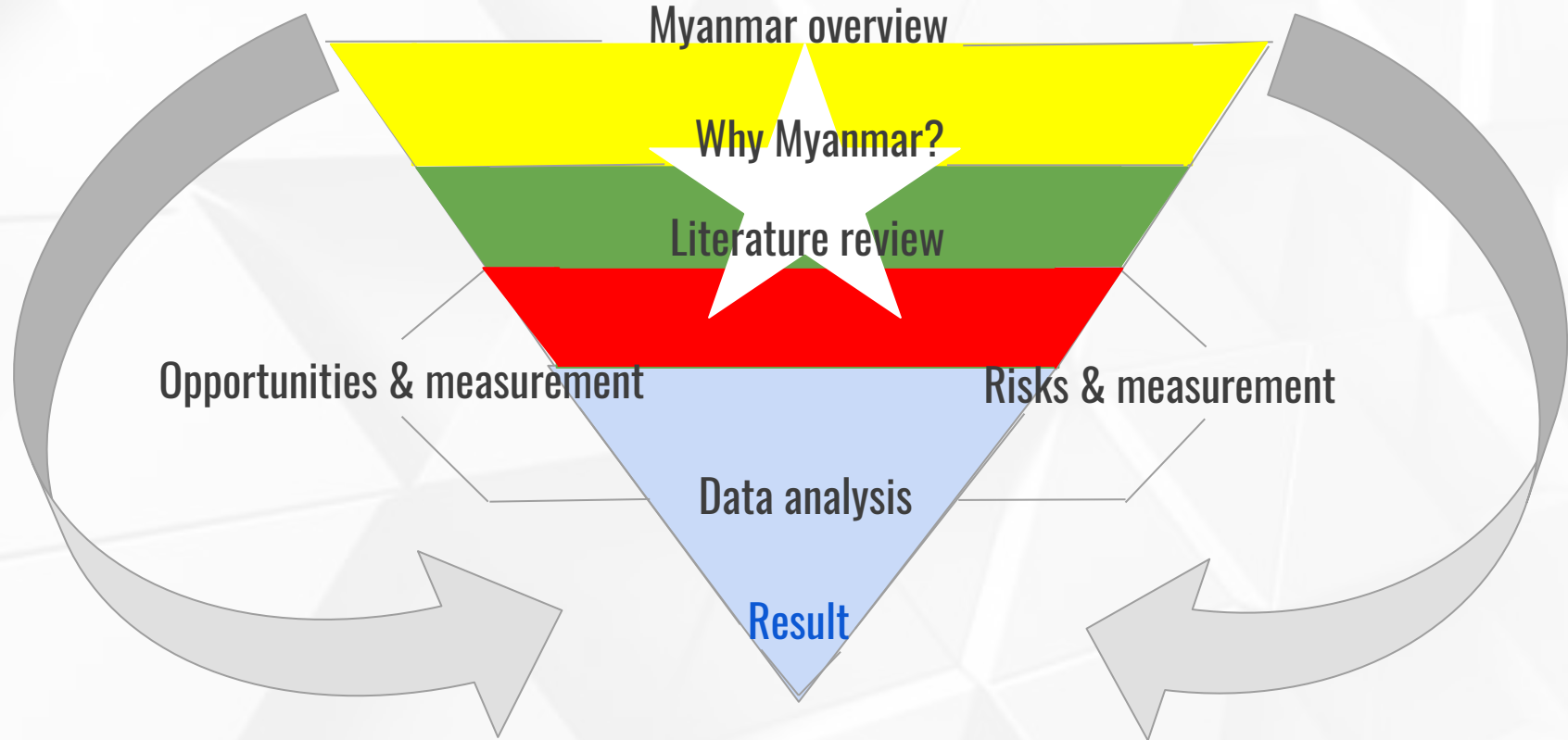
Literature review



ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

“ Myanmar is making brave new moves, as did many of the region’s high growth and transition economies decades earlier. It is opening up to trade, encouraging foreign investment. lessons can also be drawn from the experiences of other successful countries creating new opportunities for Myanmar as well as contributing to a more balanced global economy.”

Conceptual framework



A low-angle, upward-looking perspective of several modern skyscrapers with glass facades. The buildings are arranged in a way that they appear to converge towards the top center of the frame, creating a strong sense of height and scale. The sky is a vibrant blue, filled with soft, white, wispy clouds. The overall color palette is dominated by blues and whites, with some darker tones from the building facades. The word "Opportunities" is centered in the middle of the image in a clean, white, sans-serif font.

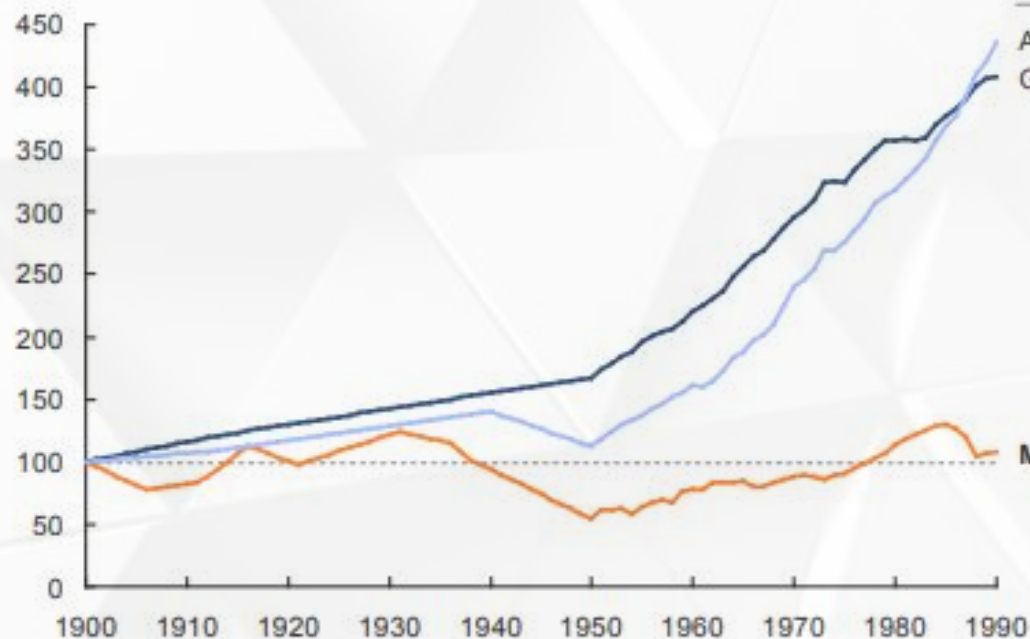
Opportunities



New Myanmar

- Since Myanmar had isolated the country for 6 decades so they experience **economy stagnation** while Asian economy were growing and just open the country in 2012.
- In order to catching other countries, Myanmar started many **reforms** such as liberlized in media, law and regulation, policy. Myanmar is undergoing a fundamental political and economic **transformation to a democratic, federal and peaceful national state.**
- The Government is **encouraging foreign investment** in less developed parts and also give subsidies to important sectors such as healthcare and education.

Indexed per capita GDP (1990 PPP \$)
100 = 1900



Compound annual
growth rate, 1900–90
%

Asia

1.7

Global

1.6

Myanmar

0.1

SOURCE: Angus Maddison, *Historical Statistics of the World Economy: 1–2008 AD*; International Monetary Fund;
McKinsey Global Institute analysis

Foreign investment by Country

No.	Country	USD in mil	%
1	China	18,392	30.85
2	Singapore	16,117	27.04
3	Hong Kong	7,468	12.53
4	Thailand	3,788	6.35
5	Republic of Korea	3,483	5.84
6	U.K.	3,478	5.83
7	Vietnam	2,079	3.49
8	Malaysia	1,335	2.24
9	The Netherlands	760	1.28
10	India	728	1.22
11	Other countries/regions	1,984	3.33
	Total	59,612	100.00

Foreign investment by sector

No.	Industry	USD in mil	%
1	Oil and gas	21,487	36.04
2	Power	14,565	24.43
3	Transport & communication	7,978	13.38
4	Manufacturing	6,409	10.75
5	Real estate development	2,657	4.46
6	Hotel & tourism	2,590	4.34
7	Mining	2,353	3.95
8	Livestock & fisheries	298	0.50
9	Agriculture	221	0.37
10	Industrial estate	189	0.32
11	Other services	865	1.46
	Total	59,612	100.00

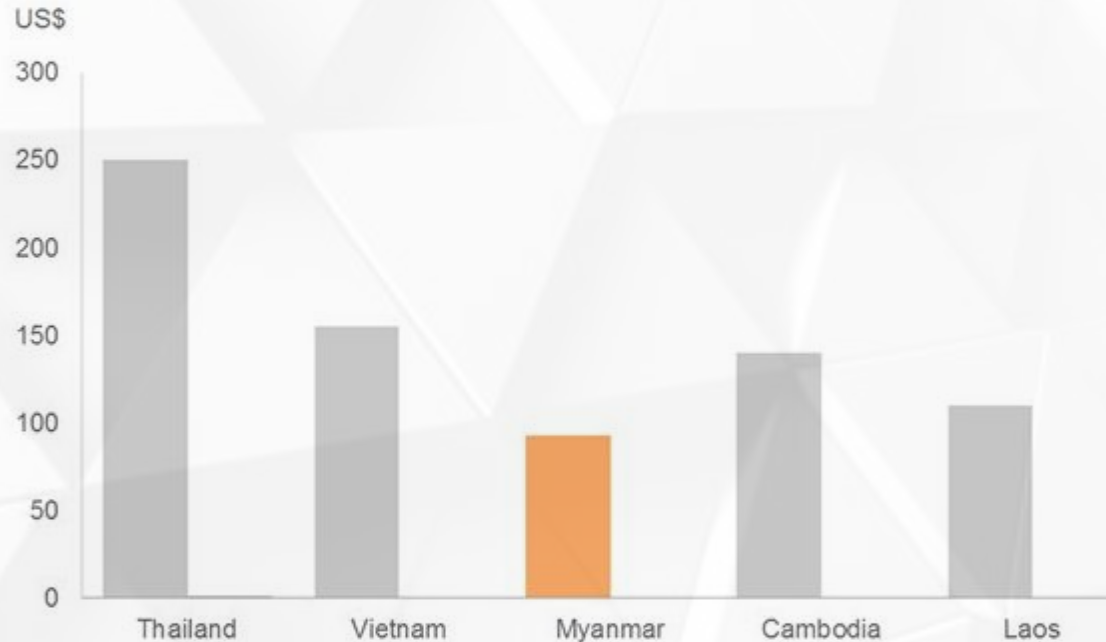
Source : PWC (31 March, 2017)

Youth & Low-Cost Labor

- With more than half of its 53.37 million people under the age of 30, Myanmar offers a reasonably large pool of **youth workforce** over the mid-to-long term
- The country's old minimum wage of 3,600 kyat (\$3.20) or around 85 baht was introduced in September 2015, and in 2018, the National committee set a **new minimum wage at 4800 kyat** (\$3.60) or around 110 baht.
- Low labour cost gives Myanmar a competitive advantage in **boosting labour-intensive industry**



Minimum wages for CLMV & Thailand



Source: Government bureau and news reports

Transportation





Borderland

Land transport - Roads



Major highways

- Mandalay-Muse highway
- Meiktila-Tachileik highway
- Mandalay-Moreh highway
- Yangon–Mandalay Expressway



Land transport - Roads



Burma road

- Linking Yangon, Myanmar with Kunming, the southwest of China.

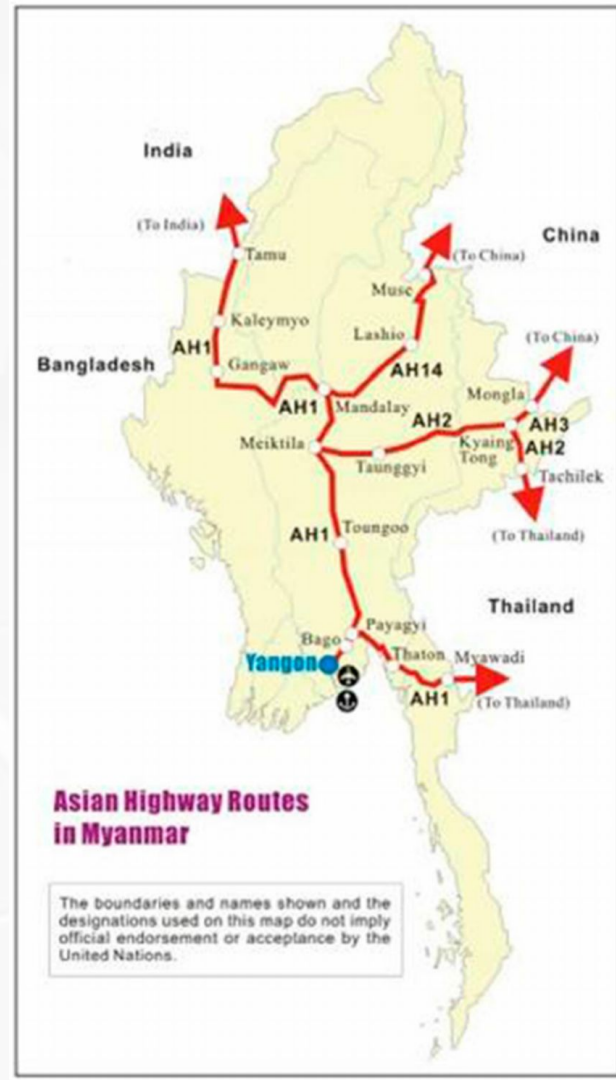


Land transport - Roads



ASEAN highway routes

- Part of the GMS Economic Cooperation Program
- Link Myanmar with China, India, and Thailand



Land transport - Rails



- Total length : 5,403 km (3,357 mi)
- 858 stations
- Network
 - ◆ Upper Myanmar
 - ◆ Lower Myanmar
 - ◆ Yangon circular railway
- 18 freight trains
- 379 passenger trains



Land transport - Rails



Railway links to adjacent countries

→ There are currently no rail links to adjacent countries.

China - Myanmar Railway
in 2020



Air transport



→ 69 airports in the country

→ 3 international airports

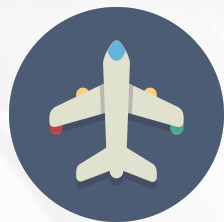
◆ Yangon

◆ Mandalay

◆ Nay pyi taw



Air transport

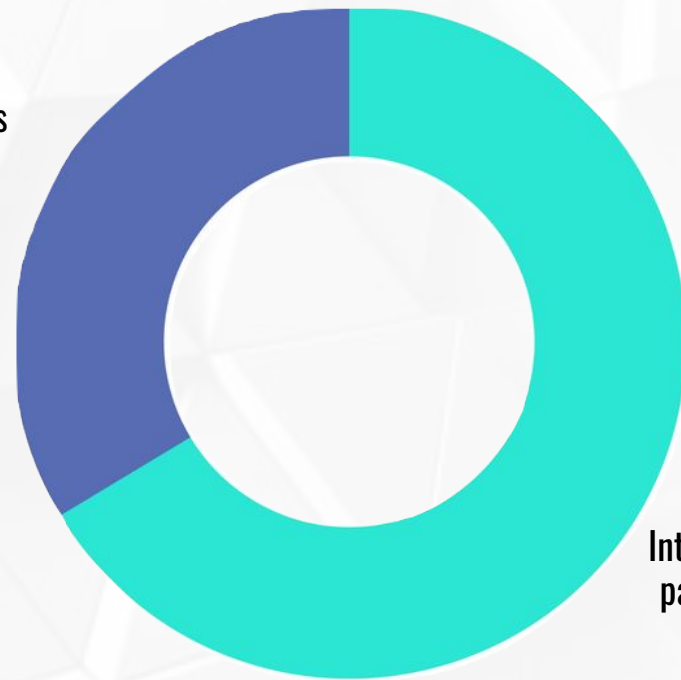


Year	Passengers
2016	5,454,188
2017	5,916,597



Passenger traffic to Yangon in 2017

Domestic
passengers
34%



International
passengers
66%

Source: Yangon International Airport

Water transport



4 important rivers in Myanmar

Ayeyarwaddy river

Thanlyin river

Sittaung river

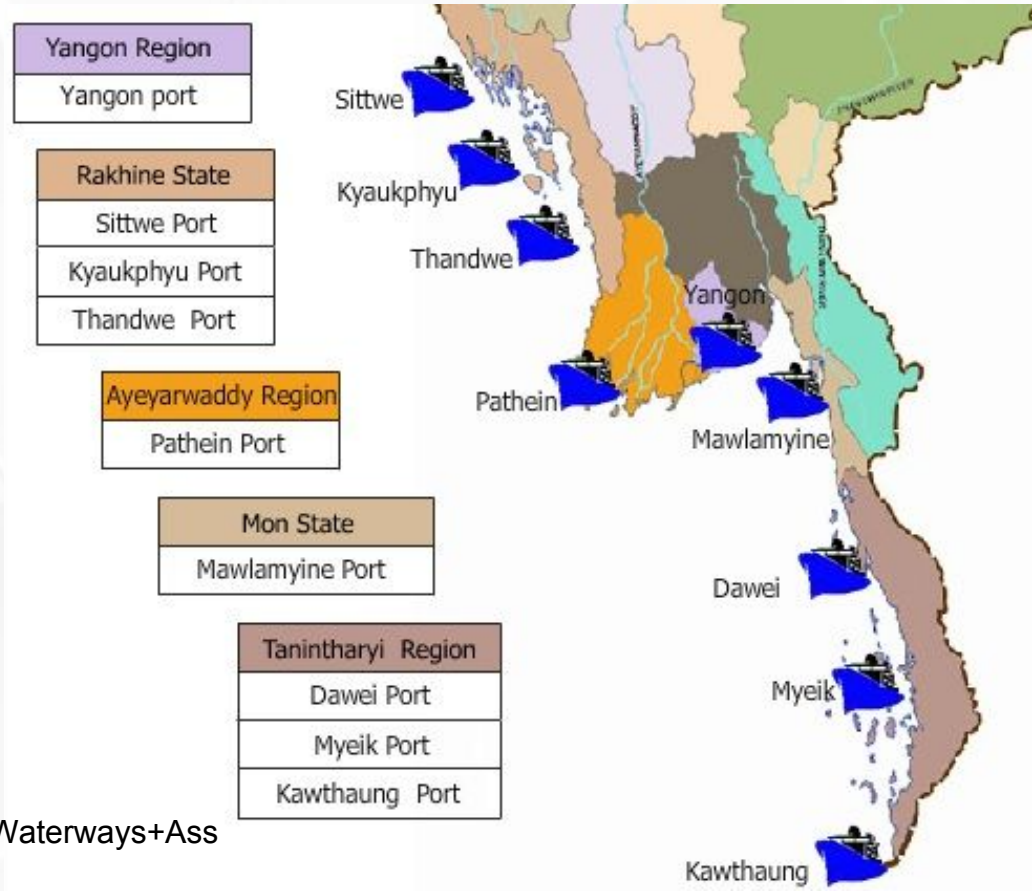
Chindwin river



Water transport



- 1,200 miles of uninterrupted coastline
- 9 main ports
- One of the cheapest transport options



Telecommunication



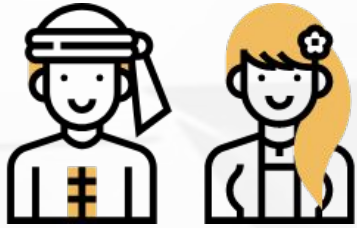
- Myanmar remains **one of the last underdeveloped telecommunication** markets in Asia, however this gap is being bridged quickly with a focus on mobile services and exploding growth in that sector.
- Myanmar's mobile market has experienced very **rapid growth** from 2013 to 2017

Monthly active
Facebook users
(9.74 million)



2015 Digital usage in Myanmar

Total population



53.9 Million

Urbanisation 33%

Active internet users



5.0 Million

Penetration 9%

Active social media users



7.3 Million

Penetration 14%

Mobile subscriptions

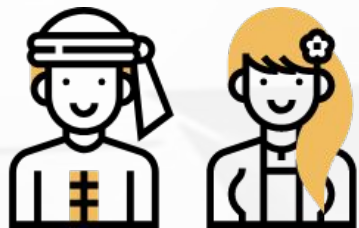


30.0 Million

VS population 56%

2017 Digital usage in Myanmar

Total population



53.37 Million

Urbanisation 36%

Active internet users



15.0 Million

Penetration 28%

Active social media users



15.0 Million

Penetration 28%

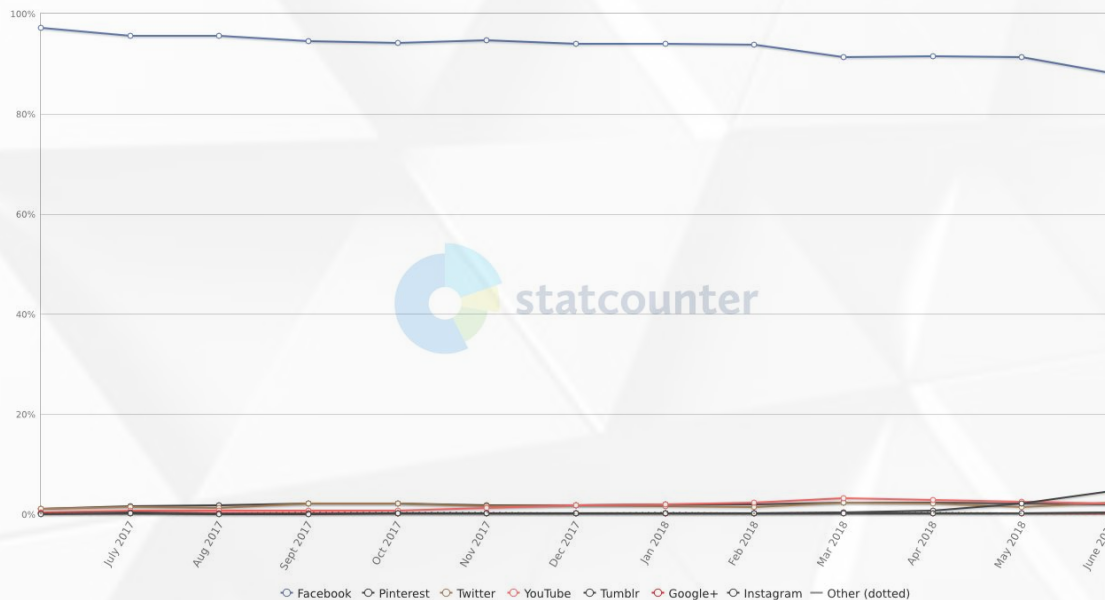
Mobile subscriptions



50.56 Million

VS population 95%

Social Media Stats Myanmar from June 2017-June 2018

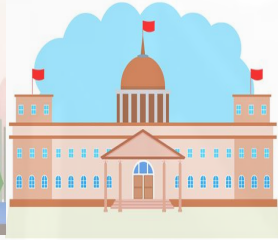
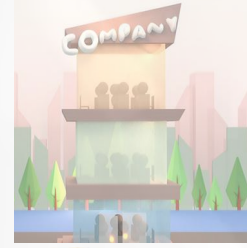
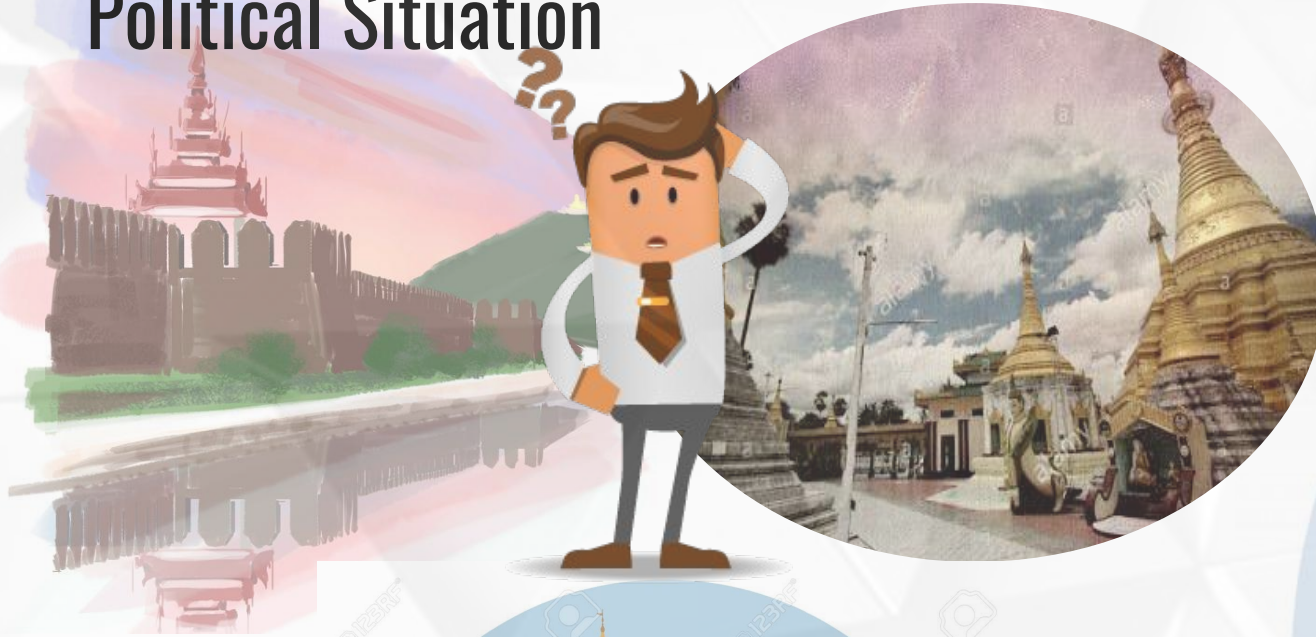


Source: Statcounter Global Stat

A photograph of two young boys fishing from a large log over a river. The boy on the left stands on the log, holding a bucket and pointing towards the water. The boy on the right sits on the log, holding a fishing rod. The river is calm, reflecting the surrounding greenery and the boys. The background shows a lush, hilly landscape with dense vegetation. The word "Risks" is overlaid in white text on the right side of the image.

Risks

Political Situation



Government



infrastructure

- Road condition
- Electricity

trade&investment

- Tariff
- Laws & regulation

policies

relations

- Internation relations
- Political economy

Financial system

- Banking system
- Debt
- Expenditure

Human capital

- Education
- Labor skill

Political Party



General Than Shwe

- Poorest country in Southeast Asia



Thein Sein

- National industrialization and market economy



Aung San Suu Kyi

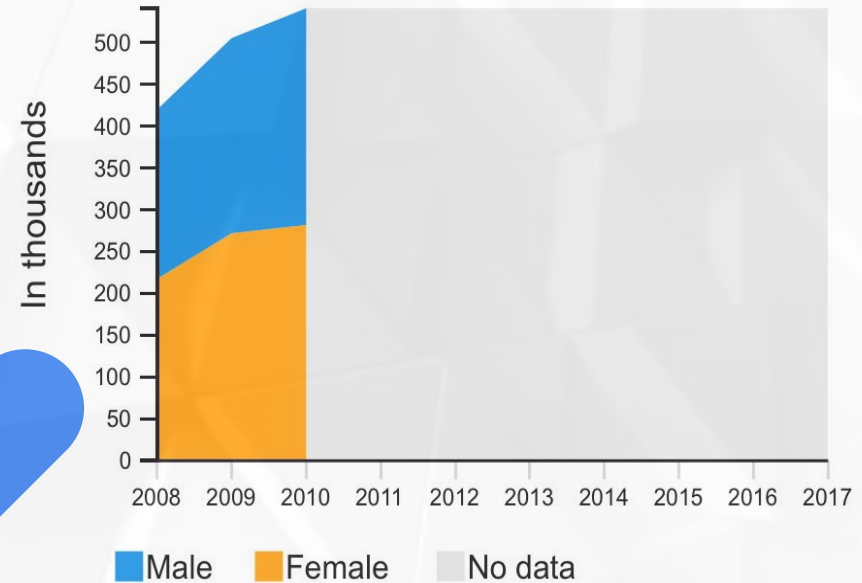
- Democratization and international opportunities

Skilled labor



Measurement for labor

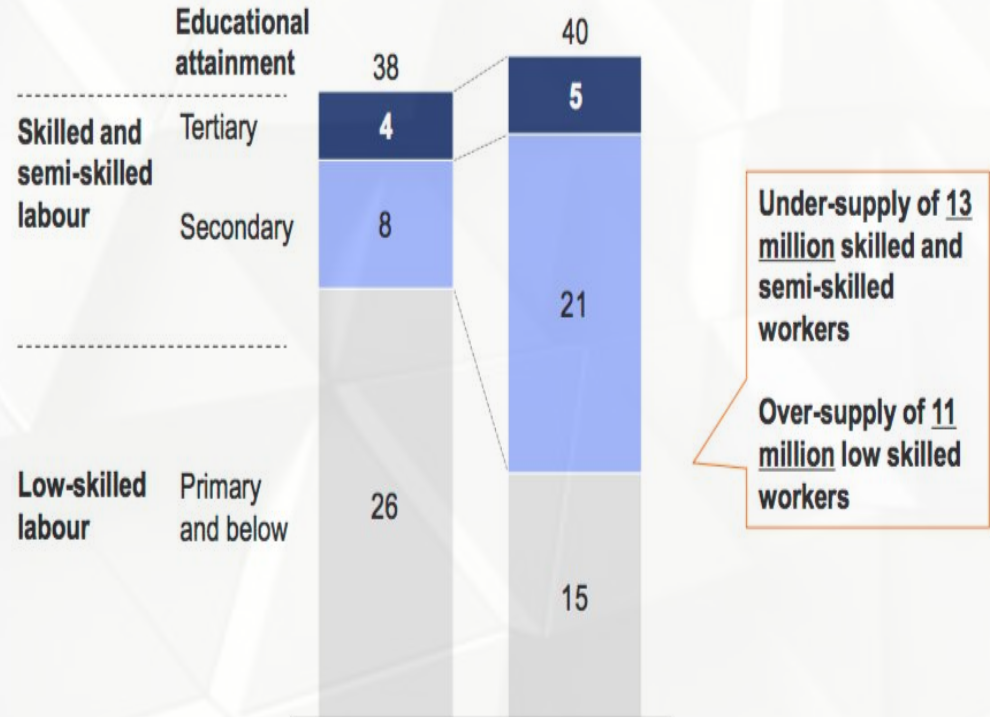
Number of out-of-school children



<http://uis.unesco.org/en/country/mm>



Measurement for labor



SOURCE: Central Statistical Organisation, Myanmar; United Nations Population Division; US Census Bureau; World Bank; McKinsey Global Institute analysis

Infrastructure

As stated in the 2013 World Economic Forum Global Competitiveness Report, Myanmar was ranked **146th** out of 148 places for its overall **quality of infrastructure**. One of the most pressing issues regarding infrastructure in Myanmar is the citizens' **lack of access to electricity, transportation and communication**; these are basic infrastructures and services in Myanmar that must be improved.



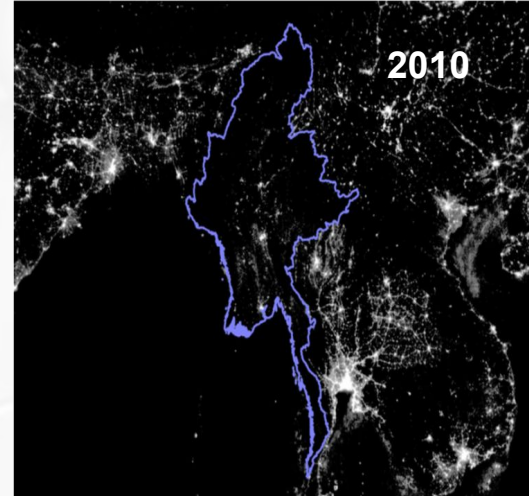
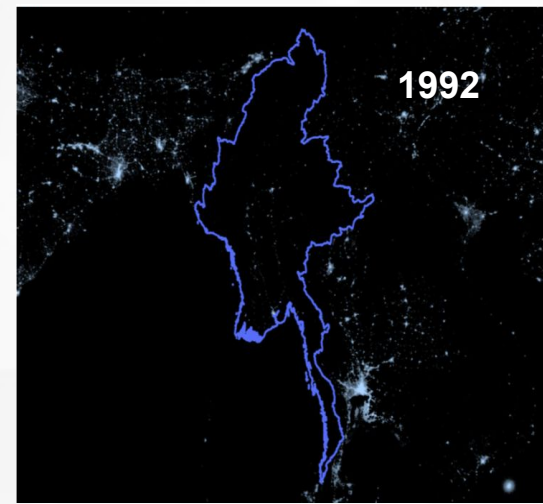
Infrastructure - Water Supply

- Yangon has the **highest non-revenue water (NRW) rate** or water that do not go to the customers because of leaks or theft, among others in the Southeast Asia region because of **aging water facilities**.
- The total water need of Yangon's over 5.2 million people is about **156 million gallons per day**. But only around **two million people get city water** because of NRW.
- The city expects to supply enough water for two million people in 2018, 4.1 million in 2025, and 8 million in 2040.

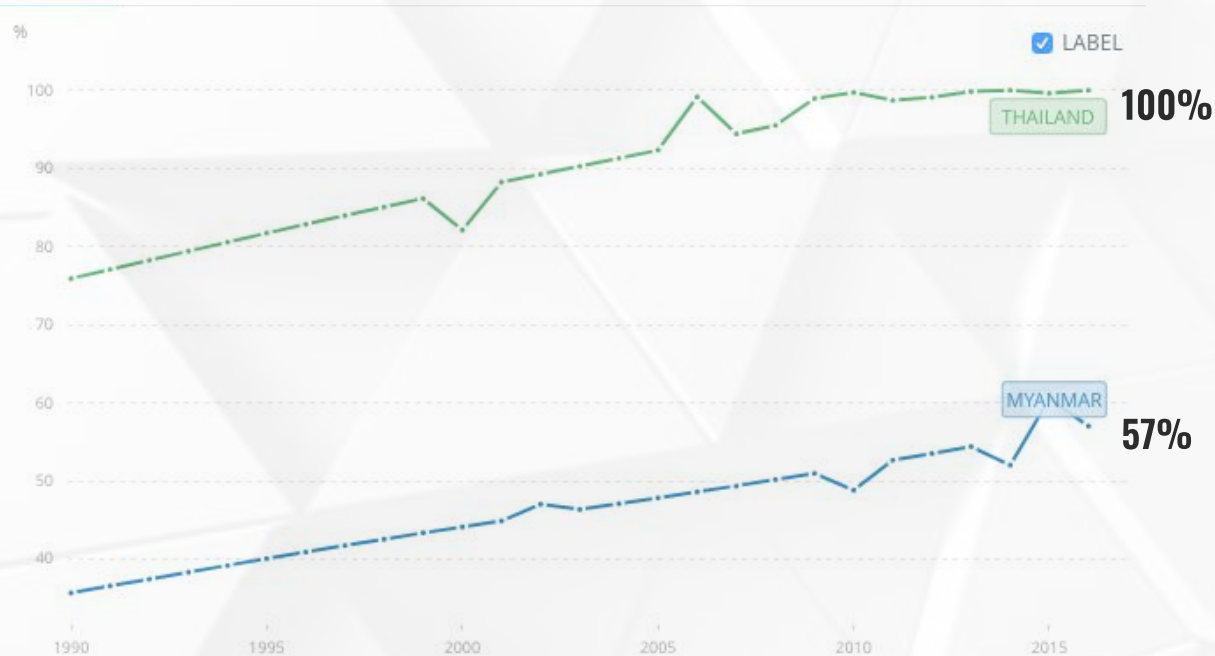


Infrastructure - Electricity

- The main problem behind constant blackouts is our **aging power distribution system**
- The aging electricity lines are **full to capacity**. It's challenging keeping stable transmission and distribution, and the lines are not in good condition.
- Overall power generation and demand is increasing, but the distribution network and capacity of power stations are **not up to date**.

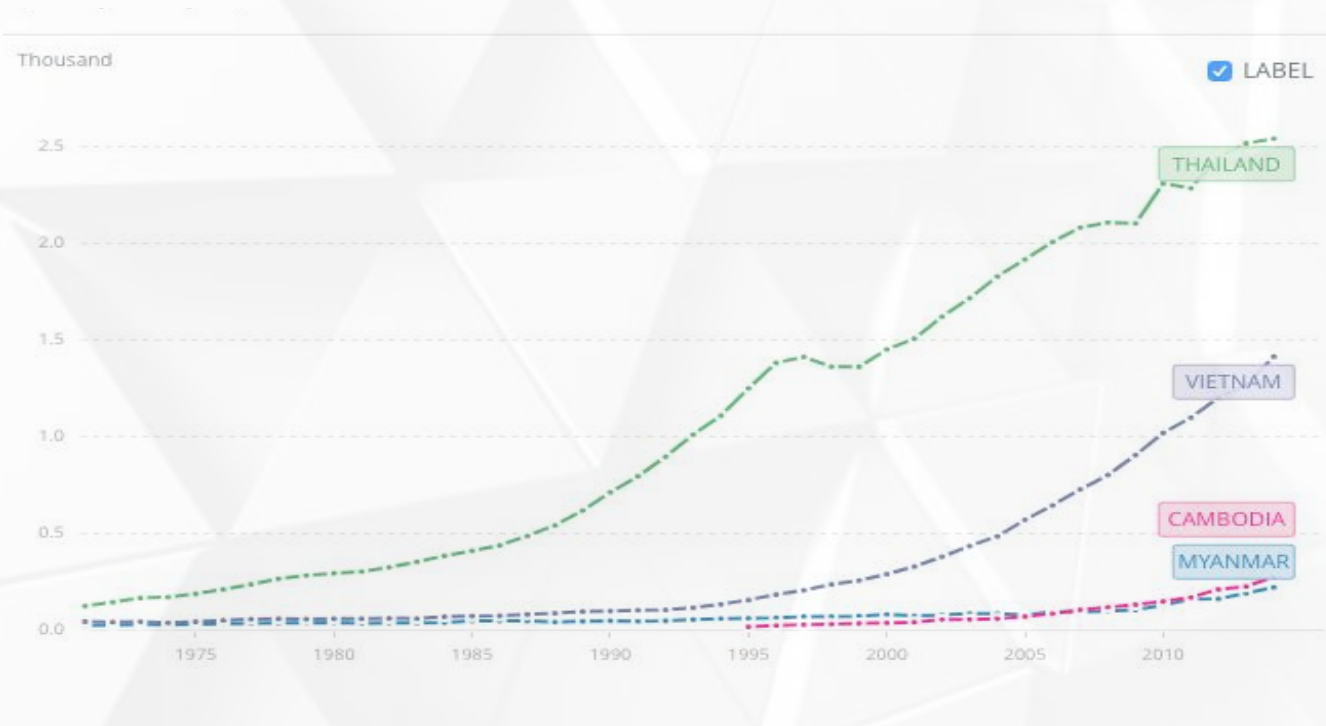


Access to electricity (% of population)



Comparing percentage of population that can access to electricity between Thailand and Myanmar

Electric power consumption (kWh per capita)



Infrastructure - Road

Indicator	Value	Rank/148
Quality of overall infrastructure i	2.13	136
Quality of roads i	2.38	129
Quality of railroad infrastructure i	1.75	96
Quality of port infrastructure i	2.61	127
Quality of air transport infrastructure i	2.22	136
Individuals using Internet (%) i	10.30	138
Mobile telephone subscriptions/100 pop i	1.07	137
Fixed broadband Internet subscriptions/100 pop: i	0.01	130

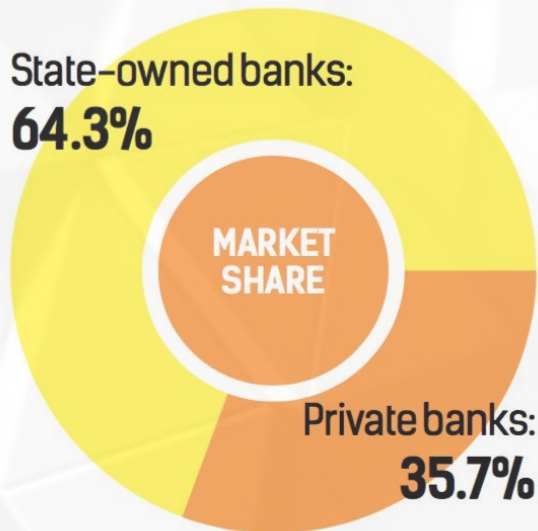
Financial system

- Banking system remains critically underdeveloped
- Cash-based economy
- Confidence in Myanmar's financial system
- Access to finance



THE BANKING SECTOR

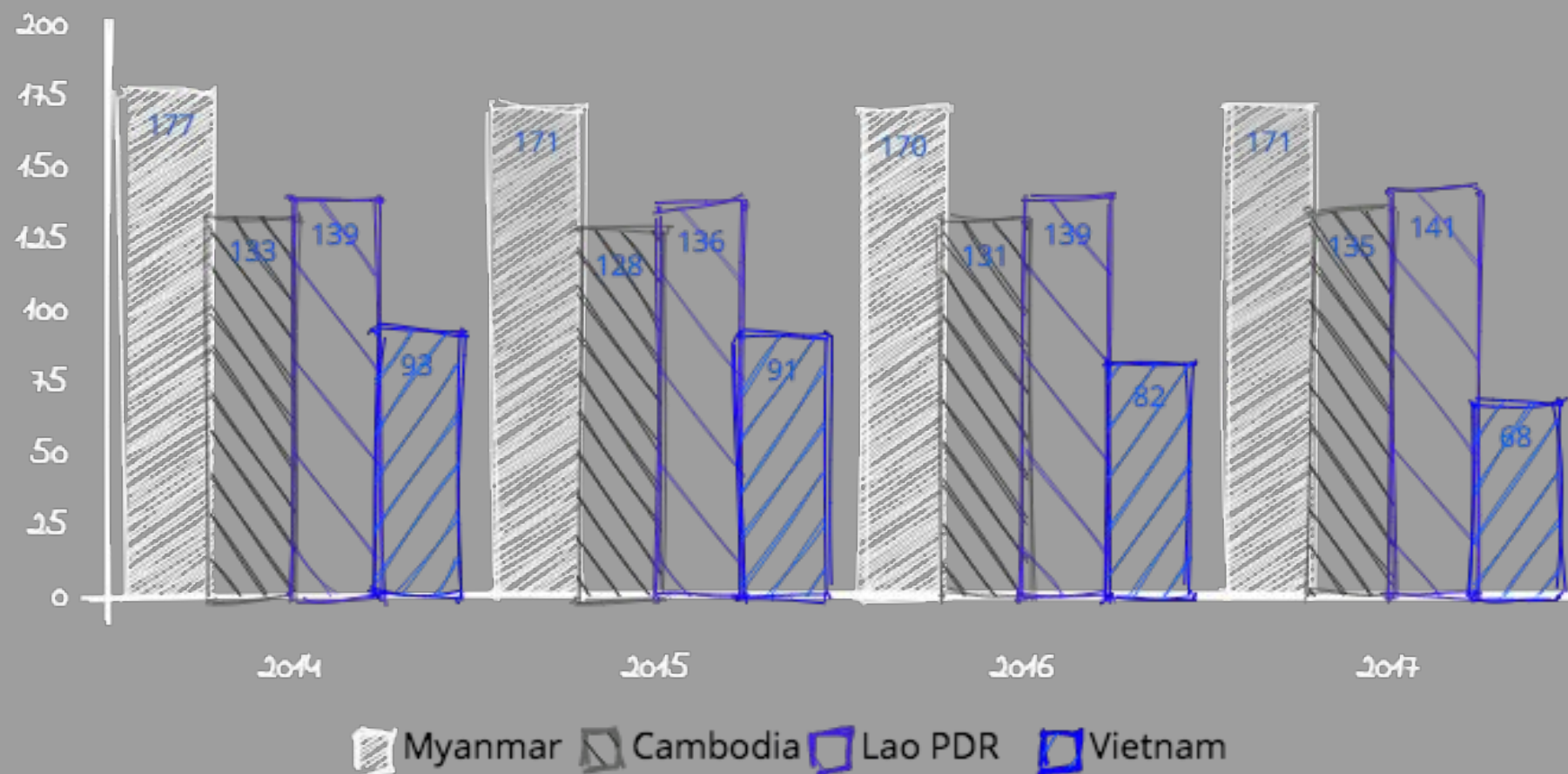
State-owned banks:
64.3%



Private banks:
35.7%



Ease of doing Business



A wide-angle photograph of a large, empty industrial warehouse. The space is characterized by a high ceiling with a complex network of yellow-painted steel beams and trusses. The floor is made of dark, weathered bricks. On the left side, there are blue-painted industrial structures and a yellow fire extinguisher. On the right, there are more industrial equipment and a yellow safety barrier. The lighting is warm and even, highlighting the industrial architecture.

Interesting Areas

Yangon

- Old capital of Myanmar
- Myanmar's largest city
- The most important commercial center



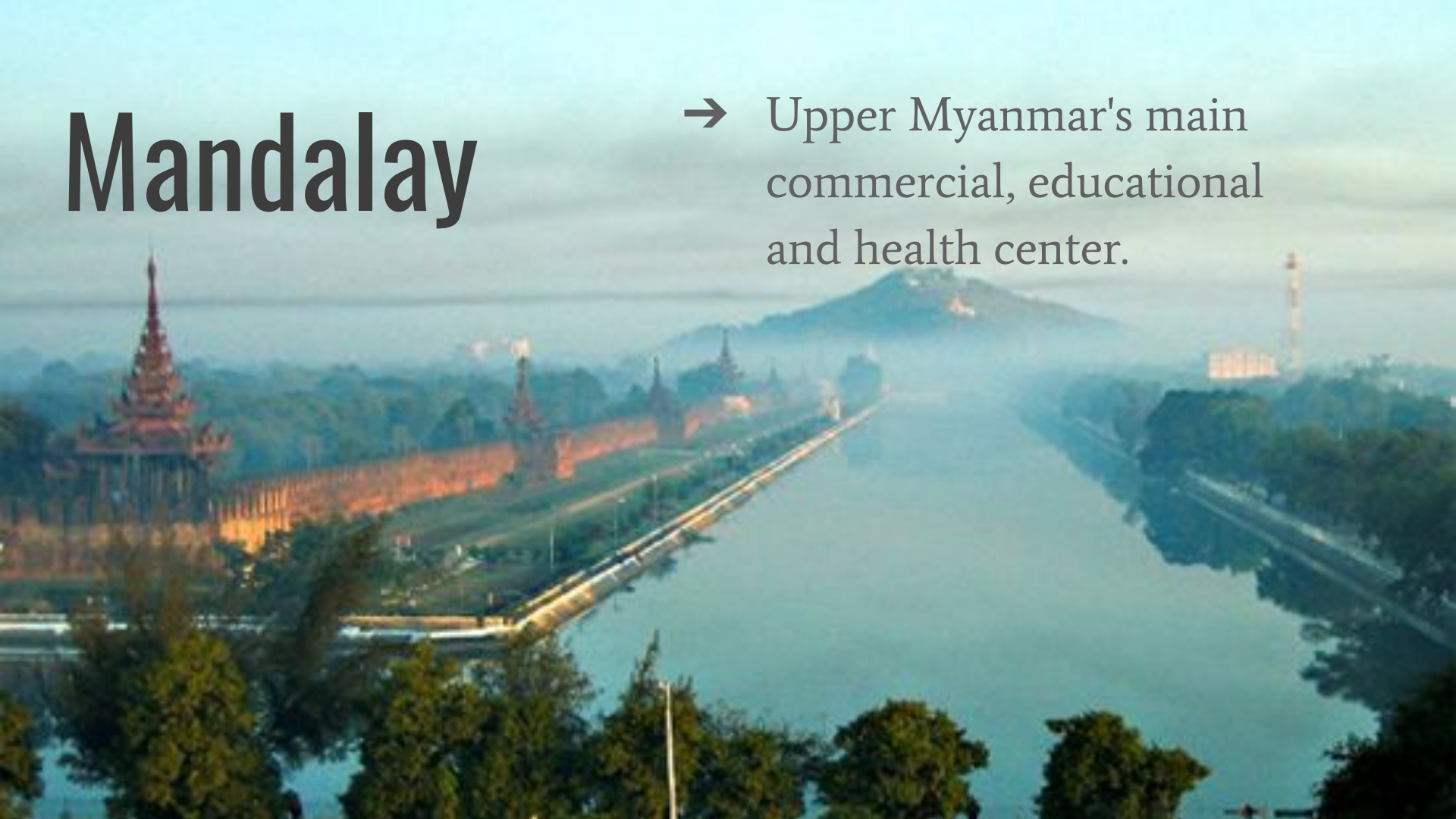
Bagan

- The land of ten thousand pagoda 🏛️
- World heritage sites
- Can travel all year round.



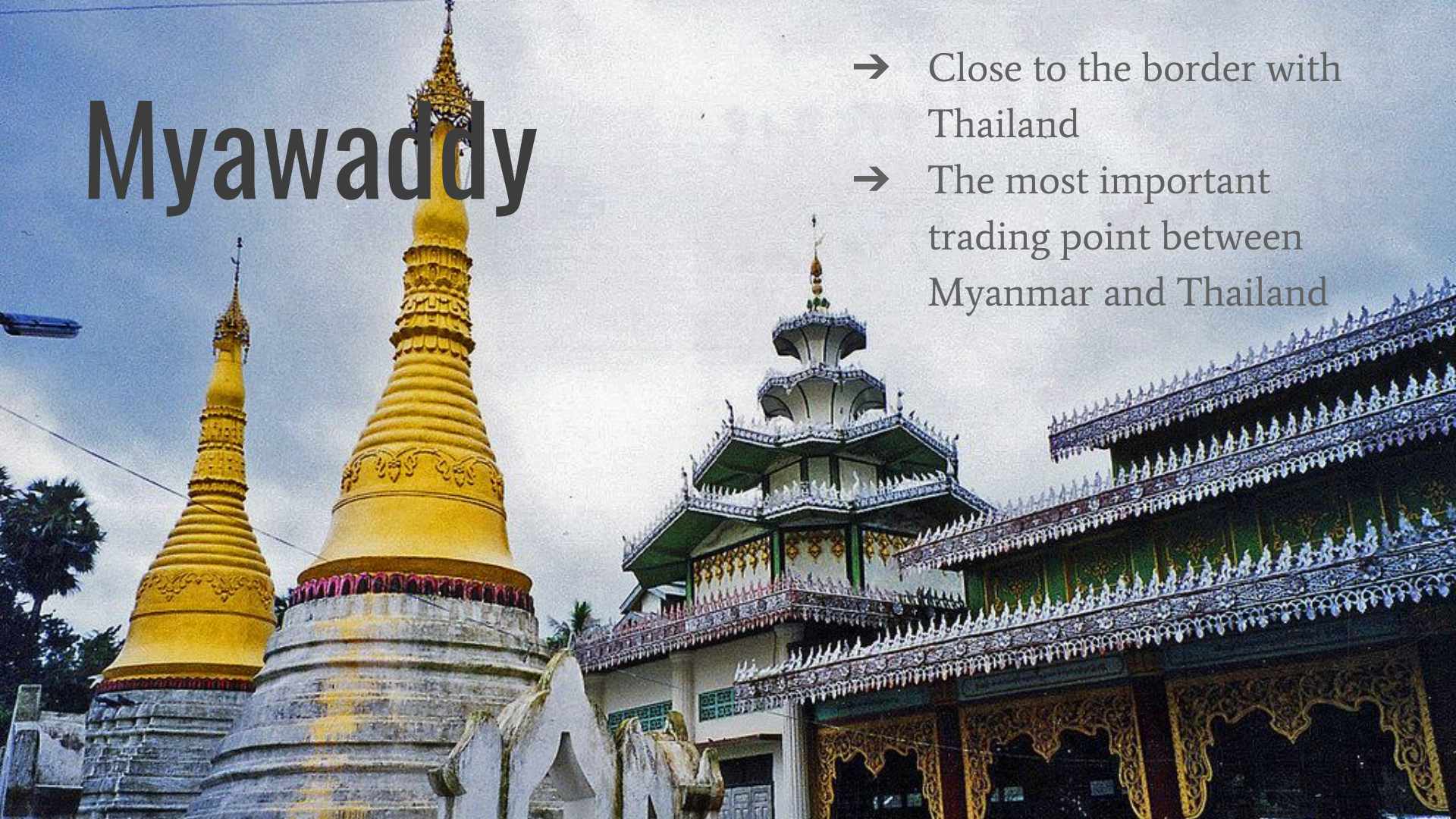
Mandalay

→ Upper Myanmar's main commercial, educational and health center.



Myawaddy

- Close to the border with Thailand
- The most important trading point between Myanmar and Thailand



SUGGESTED TYPES OF BUSINESS TO INVEST IN MYANMAR



Medical institutions

Q & A



Kantapong
5804640083



Surapat
5804641321



Supakorn
5904640793



Nisakorn
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