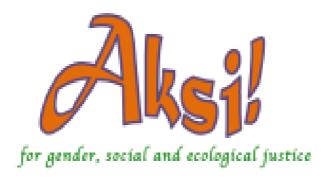
Strategies of the local to influence the global

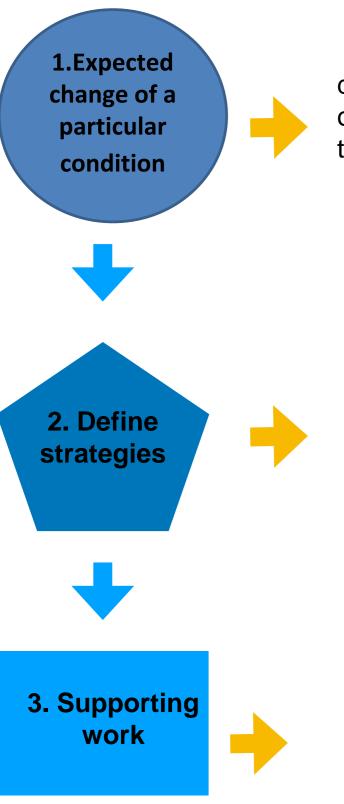
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Aspects for consideration in building strategies



define the overall and/or particular objectives, as well as relevant targets of decision making



- change of paradigm
- new policy, policy changes
- project cancelation
- project remedies, livelihood restoration

- policy intervention to decision makers
- litigation: national and/or international court
- campaign media, public
- direct actions, mobilization, organizing
- civil disobedient
- solidarity building, networking
- popular political education
- research, feminist participatory action research (FPAR), investigation, fact finding, field visit
- policy analysis
- data base, documentation
- outreach, networking

Advocacy strategies

- 1) combine strategies as many as possible and define overall and specific targets of each strategy
 - Policy intervention
 - Campaign
 - Direct actions
 - People's organizing and mobilizing
 - Networking









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2) Evidence based, and be honest or correct in using data/information (no manipulation)

A concern letter of Mekong Watch to ADB and World Bank after a field visit in 2008 to Nam Theun 2 Hydroelectric Project in Laos



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Mr. Mohinder Gulati Task Manager Nam Theun 2 Hydropower Project World Bank 1818 H Street Washington, D.C. 20433, U.S.A. Mr. Anthony Jude Director, Infrastructure Division Southeast Asia Department Asian Development Bank PO Box 789 Manila, 0980, the Philippines

Dear Mr. Mohinder Gulati and Mr. Anthony Jude:

RE: Field Report and Questions regarding the Nam Theun 2 Hydroelectric Project

We are writing to convey our serious concerns and to ask questions regarding the Nam Theun 2 Hydroelectric Project (hereafter the "Project"), funded by the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and implemented by the Nam Theun 2 Power Company (NTPC). These concerns are primarily based on our field visit to the project site between 29 August to 5 September 2008, and the information gathered through interviews undertaken with relevant officials and resettled communities during this period. At the time of our visit, reservoir impoundment had already begun in April 2008, and the resettlement of Nakai Plateau communities was almost complete. While the Project is moving forward at a rapid pace, we continue to have serious concerns that the Project's social and environmental impacts have not been adequately addressed. Our concerns regarding the project comprise four broad areas; 1) The Livelihood Resettlement Program; 2) Food Aid; 3) The Grievance Mechanism; and 4) Biomass Clearance. We have briefly summarized our concerns below and have a number of questions relating to each of these 4 topics that we hope you can address in a timely manner.

Please refer to the attached Field Report regarding Nam Theun 2 Hydroelectric Project for details of our findings and recommendations.

Source:

https://www.internationalrivers.org/sites/default/files/attached-files/mw_nt2_letter_to_wb-adb_200810.pdf

Indicators of Good and Bad Practices Climate and Investment Projects

Women's experiences in Indonesia



Risma Umar/Dewy Puspa

Translator - Adityawarman Editor - Titi Soentoro We can't sleep anymore in the nights because of the noise. We complained to the company, no response



A woman complained to CNN Indonesia about the operation of geothermal power plant financed by ADB

Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uzg9oA8qA84

¹ Field visits and interviews were conducted during the study tour organized by Mekong Watch. Tour participants were Japanese students and researchers. Sites visited include: 3 resettlement villages in Nakai Plateau, NTPC Thakbek office, Resettlement Management Unit of Nakai district, and the World Bank and ADB Offices in Vientiane.

3) Use the human and women's stories





Om Cha .. or grandma Cha.. involuntary displaced by Asian Development Bank's (ADB) funded Highway One Project in Cambodia in year 2000. Cash compensation came after 4 years. She had to live in a barn together with cows and chicken due to lack of money; died in 2007 in misery and sickness while waiting for her additional compensation of USD 200...

A woman from the site of Maemo Coal Power Plant in Thailand funded by Asian Development Bank (ADB), submitted 400 death certificates of her fellow villagers due to pollution from the plant to ADB's President during ADB Annual Governor Meeting in Tokyo in 2007.



A session at COP 21 in Paris facilitated on Experiences from grassroots: Why we need Gender Responsive Climate Finance



A meeting with the Indonesian Alternate Director to GCF during the GCF Board meeting February 2014 in Bali

Advocacy towards the planned Regional Road Development Project Indonesia by Solidaritas Perempuan and NGO Forum on ADB in 2011-2013





ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

- Modality: Multitranche Financing Facility (MFF) US\$ 500 million
- Technical Assistance: US\$ 1,3 million
- A road project throughout 6 provinces in Kalimantan and Java island







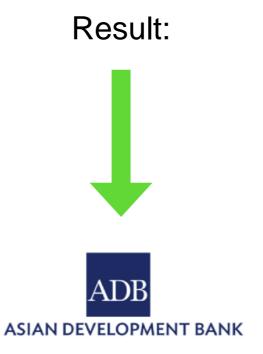


People's organizing, mobilizing and direct actions

Project document monitoring, political education, field visit, data collection, networking



Policy interventions: letters, meetings with related Indonesian government officials, ADB project management, ADB Board of Directors, ADB Accountability Mechanism; also attended public and community consultations



- Modality: Ordinary Capital Resource (OCR): US\$ 180 million
- A road project throughout 2 provinces in Kalimantan island

Notes:

- MFF Modality: ADB Board only approves the 1st trance of the project proposal, the remaining trances by the management; higher risk usually presented at the second trance onwards; no Board supervision on the trances
- OCR: ADB Board approves and supervise the whole project proposal
- Indonesian CSOs concerns: lack of information to affected communities on the project and its risks; lack of meaningful consultation with affected communities; incorrect categorization of risk; potential double financed and corruption particularly for the roads in Java that was already financed by the World Bank.

Take Aways

- This is a continuing work to for climate and gender justice
- We have access to decision making but not the control over it
- Appreciate achievements of 'small battles' whilst keep the overview on the 'war'
- Have a faith to people's power



Sunrise between Merapi and Merbabu volcano complex in Central Java taken from the ancient Borobudur temple

Thank you for listening!