

# MEKONG FORUM 2016

## SHARING RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMMON PROSPERITY

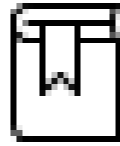
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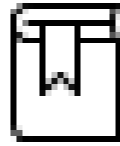
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## **SESSION II**

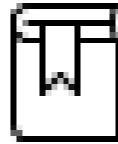
### **ALIGNING ASSISTANCE WITH GMS DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES - KEY QUESTIONS**

- How can support our international partners in maintaining a strategic focus on Myanmar's development priorities?
- Myanmar's needs are changing and yet fundamental challenges remain. How can we ensure that our development partners provide support in the most critical areas while not forgetting other areas?



## MYANMAR AND THE GMS DEVELOPMENT EFFECTIVENESS

- Promoting mutual cooperation amongst GMS countries, leading to economic growth and contributing to regional development is a priority for Myanmar
- Coordination across so many bilateral and other partners and sectors can be daunting, however Myanmar is rapidly establishing the systems and processes required to accomplish this goal

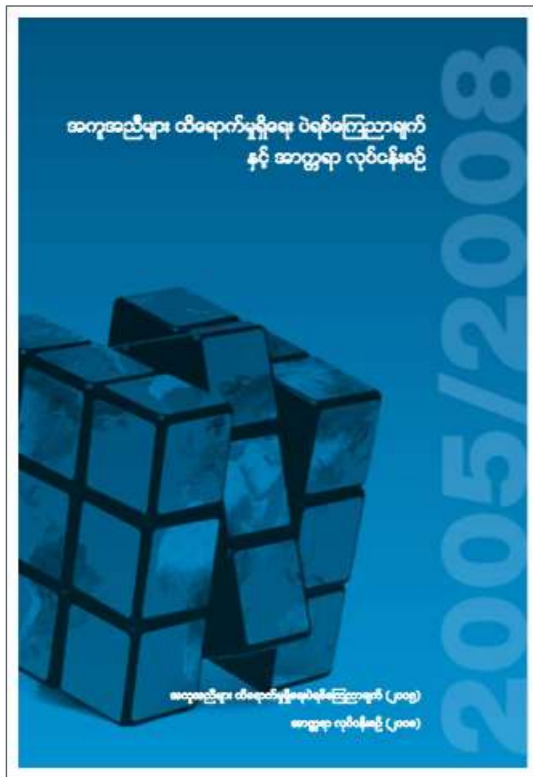


# WHAT HAS MYANMAR BEEN DONE? WE'VE BEEN BUSY

- Development of the Framework for Economic and Social Reform (2012)
- Launching of the Nay Pyi Taw Accord for Effective Development Cooperation (2013)
- Launching of the Myanmar Development Cooperation Forum Process (2013)
- Launch of the Development Partners Working Committee and Development Partners Group (2013)
- Establishment of 17 Sector Working Groups (2013)
- Became a member of the International Aid Transparency Initiative (2014)
- Creation of an open and public Aid Information Management System (2015)
- Leadership of the Review of Myanmar's Aid Architecture (2015)
- Full participation in the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (2016)
- Launch of the Cooperation Partners Group (2016)
- Launch of the Development Assistance Coordination Unit (tbc)



# TRANSPARENCY IN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION MAKING INFORMATION AVAILABLE



2005 & 2008

THE PARIS DECLARATION  
AND ACCRA AGENDA FOR  
ACTION



2011

THE BUSAN  
PARTNERSHIP FOR  
EFFECTIVE  
DEVELOPMENT  
COOPERATION



2013

THE NAY PYI TAW  
ACCORD FOR EFFECTIVE  
DEVELOPMENT  
COORDINATION



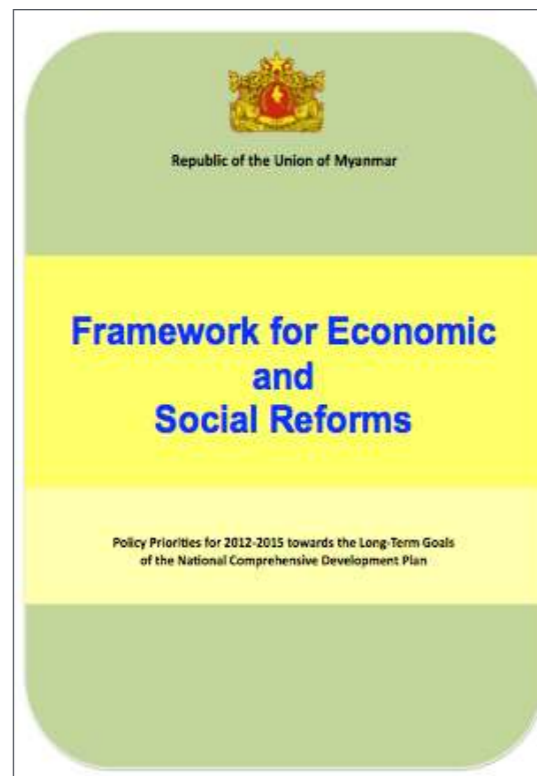
2014

THE MEXICO  
COMMUNIQUE



# TRANSPARENCY IN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

## MAKING INFORMATION AVAILABLE



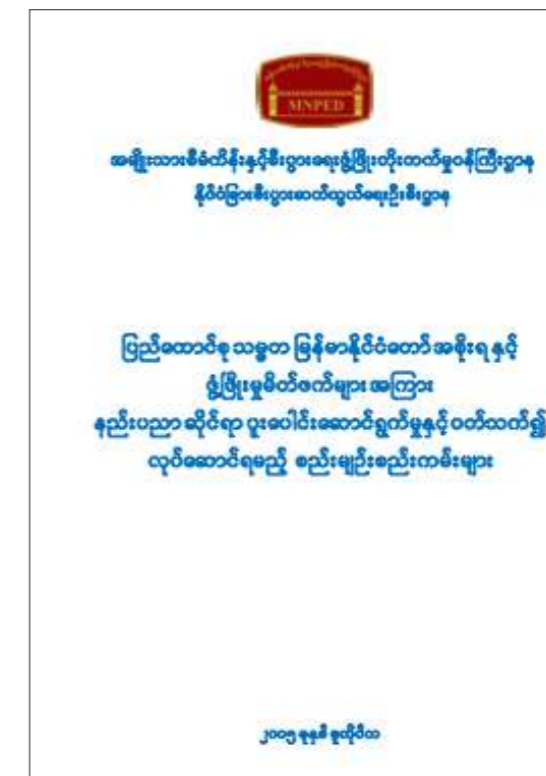
2013

FRAMEWORK FOR  
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL  
REFORM



2014

THE GUIDE TO  
INTERNATIONAL  
ASSISTANCE IN  
MYANMAR



2015

CODE OF CONDUCT ON  
TECHNICAL  
COOPERATION





# TRANSPARENCY IN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION CREATING MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIPS



2013

1ST MYANMAR  
DEVELOPMENT  
COOPERATION FORUM



2014

2ND MYANMAR  
DEVELOPMENT  
COOPERATION FORUM

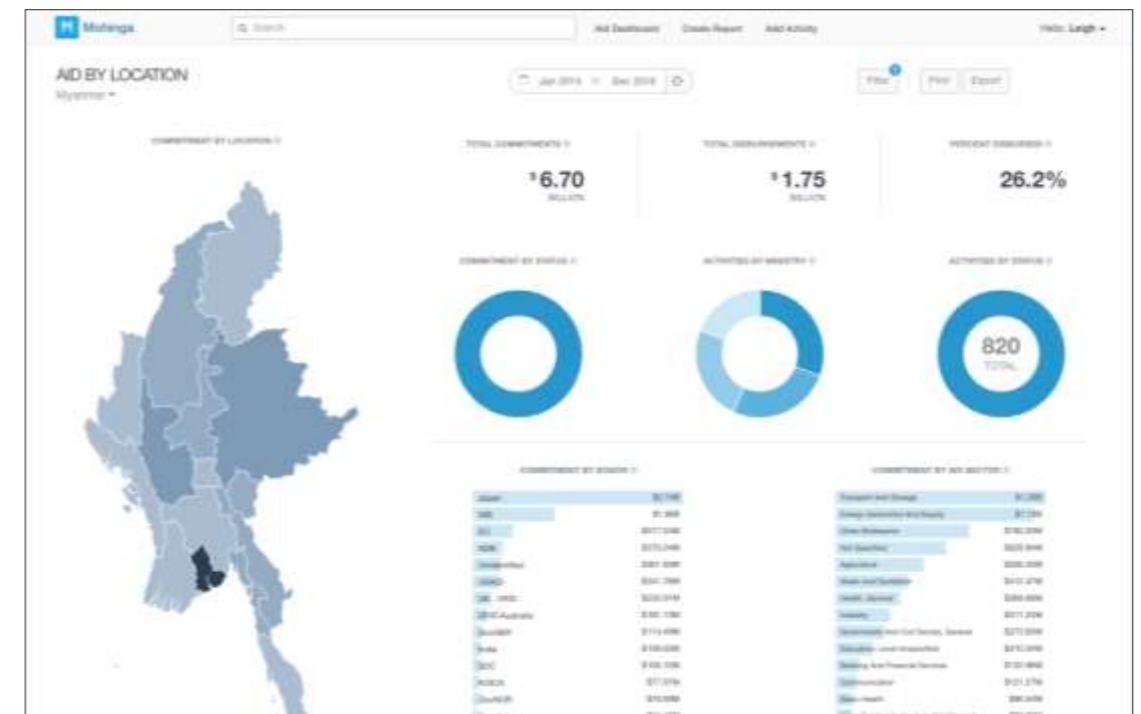


2015

3RD MYANMAR  
DEVELOPMENT  
COOPERATION FORUM

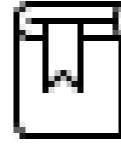


# TRANSPARENCY IN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION MYANMAR'S AID INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

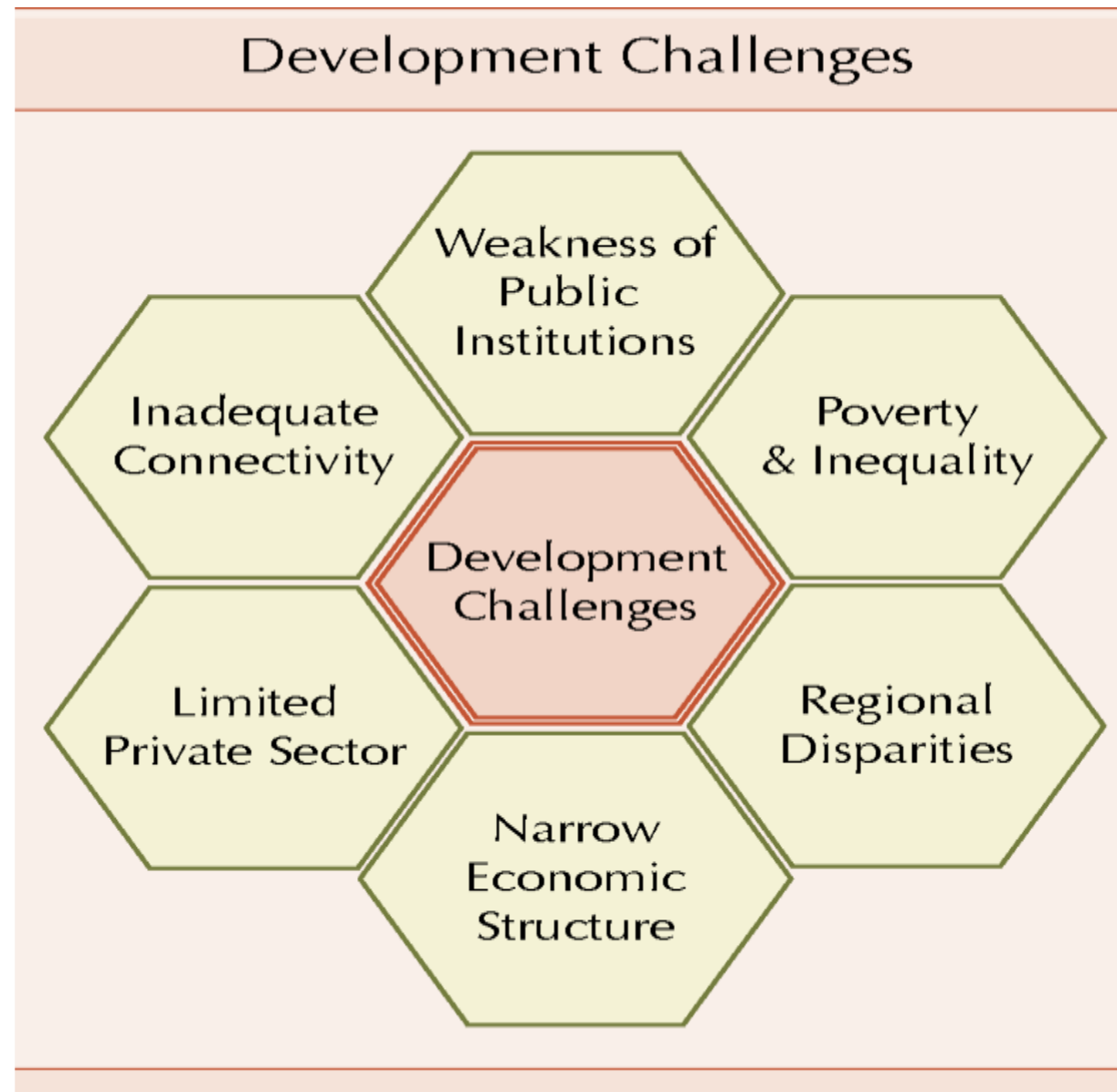


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# Development Challenges

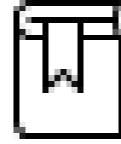




## The current government's activities

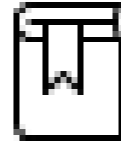
### **Fundamental Principles**

- National reconciliation
- Internal peace
- Pursuing a constitution toward a federal union, and
- Improving the living standards of the majority of the people.



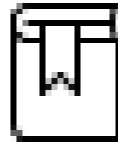
## **Government's Priorities (2011-12 to 2015-16)**

- (1) Electricity
- (2) Water supply
- (3) Agriculture development
- (4) Employment creation
- (5) Tourist development
- (6) Financial development
- (7) Trade and investment development



## Additional priorities

- ❖ Government sets out 12 Economic Policies
- ❖ The roles of investment and infrastructure development are important for economic development.
- ❖ To develop socio economic development in line with the Economic Policies, it is focusing on the following priorities in additional:
  - Improving Financial Resources
  - SME development
  - Infrastructure Development
  - Food Security



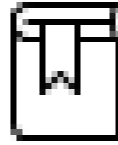
# MYANMAR ECONOMIC POLICY

## PEOPLE CENTERED, INCLUSIVE AND CONTINUOUS DEVELOPMENT

### Objectives

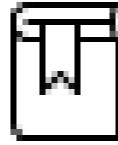
1. To support national reconciliation and the emergence of a united federal democratic union.
2. To create favourable economic conditions for achieving balanced economic development across the States and Regions.
3. To create opportunities for the emergence of capable and skilled new generations for the benefit of the country.
4. To establish an economic system that can achieve and maintain positive development outcomes through the participation, innovation and efforts of all citizens.





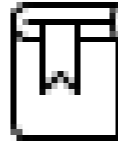
# MYANMAR ECONOMIC POLICY

1. Expanding our financial resources through transparent, robust, and effective public financial management.
2. Improving the operations of state-owned enterprises, and privatizing those state-owned enterprises that have the potential to be reformed, while promoting and assisting small and medium enterprises as generators of employment and growth.
3. Fostering the human capital that will be needed for the emergence of a modern developed economy, and improving and expanding vocational education and training.
4. Prioritizing the rapid development of fundamental economic infrastructure such as electricity generation, roads and ports, and establishing a data ID card system, a digital government strategy, and an e-government system.



## **MYANMAR ECONOMIC POLICY(continued)**

5. Creating employment opportunities for all citizens including those returning from abroad, and giving greater priority in the short term to economic enterprises that create many job opportunities.
6. Establishing an economic model that balances agriculture and industry, and supports the holistic development of the agriculture, livestock and industrial sectors, so as to enable rounded development, food security, and increased exports.
7. Asserting the right of individuals to freely pursue the economic opportunities they choose, so as to enable private sector growth in line with a market economy system; formulating specific policies to increase foreign investment; and strengthening property rights and the rule of law.
8. Achieving monetary and financial stability through a finance system that can support the sustainable development of households, farmers and businesses.



## **MYANMAR ECONOMIC POLICY(continued)**

9. Building environmentally sustainable cities, upgrading public services and utilities, expanding public spaces, and making greater efforts to protect and conserve our cultural heritage
10. Establishing a fair and efficient tax system in order to increase government revenues, and protecting individual rights and property rights through enacting laws and regulations.
11. Establishing technical systems and procedures to support intellectual property rights that can encourage innovation and the development of advanced technology.
12. Identifying the changing and developing business environment both in ASEAN and beyond, so as to enable our own businesses to situate themselves to take advantage of potential opportunities.

# PREVIOUS DEVELOPMENT PARTNER COORDINATION

## MULTIPLE LAYERS - CONFUSING HIERARCHY

MYANMAR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION FORUM

MID-TERM REVIEW

FOREIGN AID MANAGEMENT CENTRAL COMMITTEE

FOREIGN AID MANAGEMENT WORKING COMMITTEE

FERD-DPWC MEETING

DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS  
GROUP

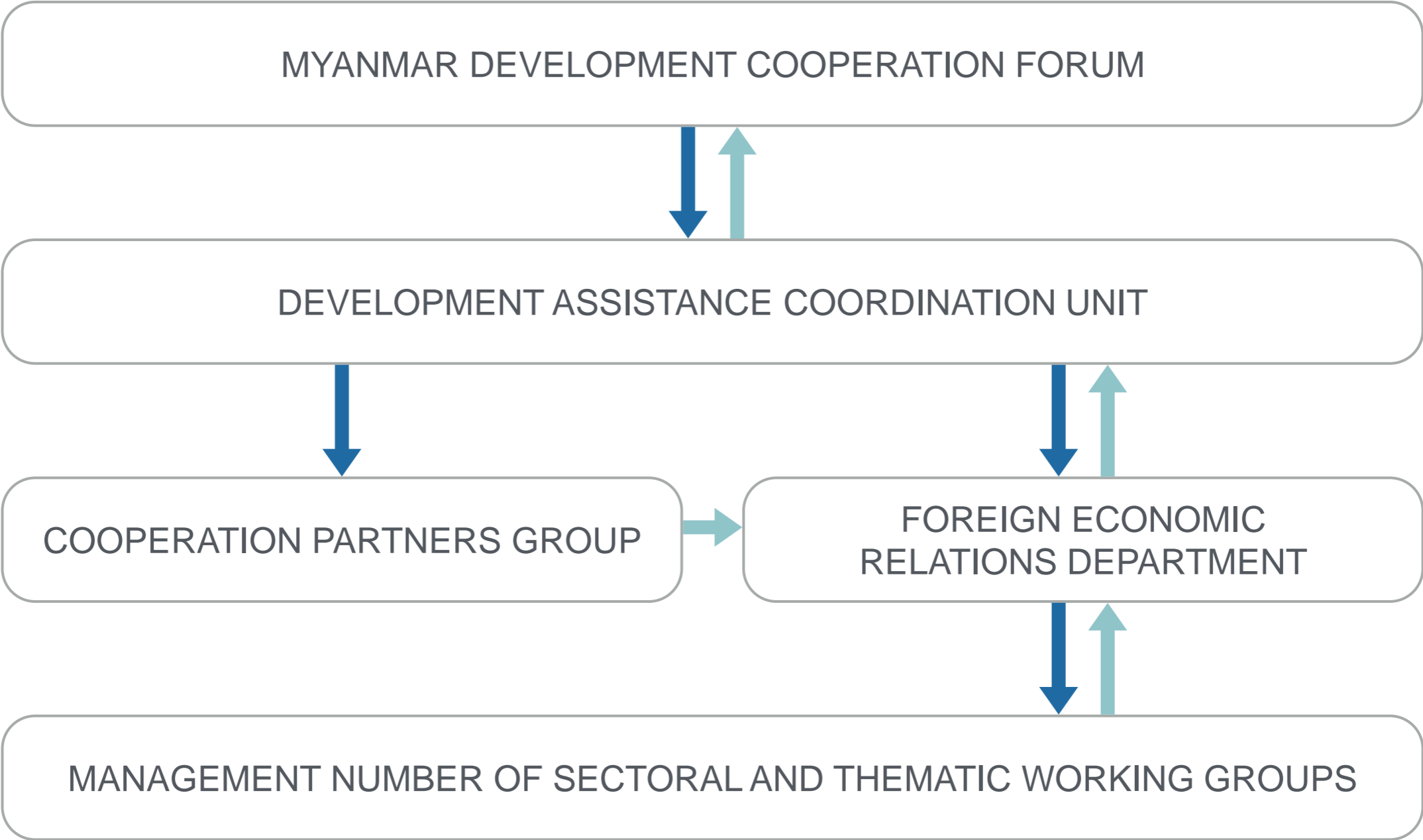
DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS  
WORKING COMMITTEE

FOREIGN ECONOMIC  
RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

17 SECTOR WORKING GROUPS

# PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT PARTNER COORDINATION

## CLEAR LINES OF ACCOUNTABILITY



PLANNING



REPORTING

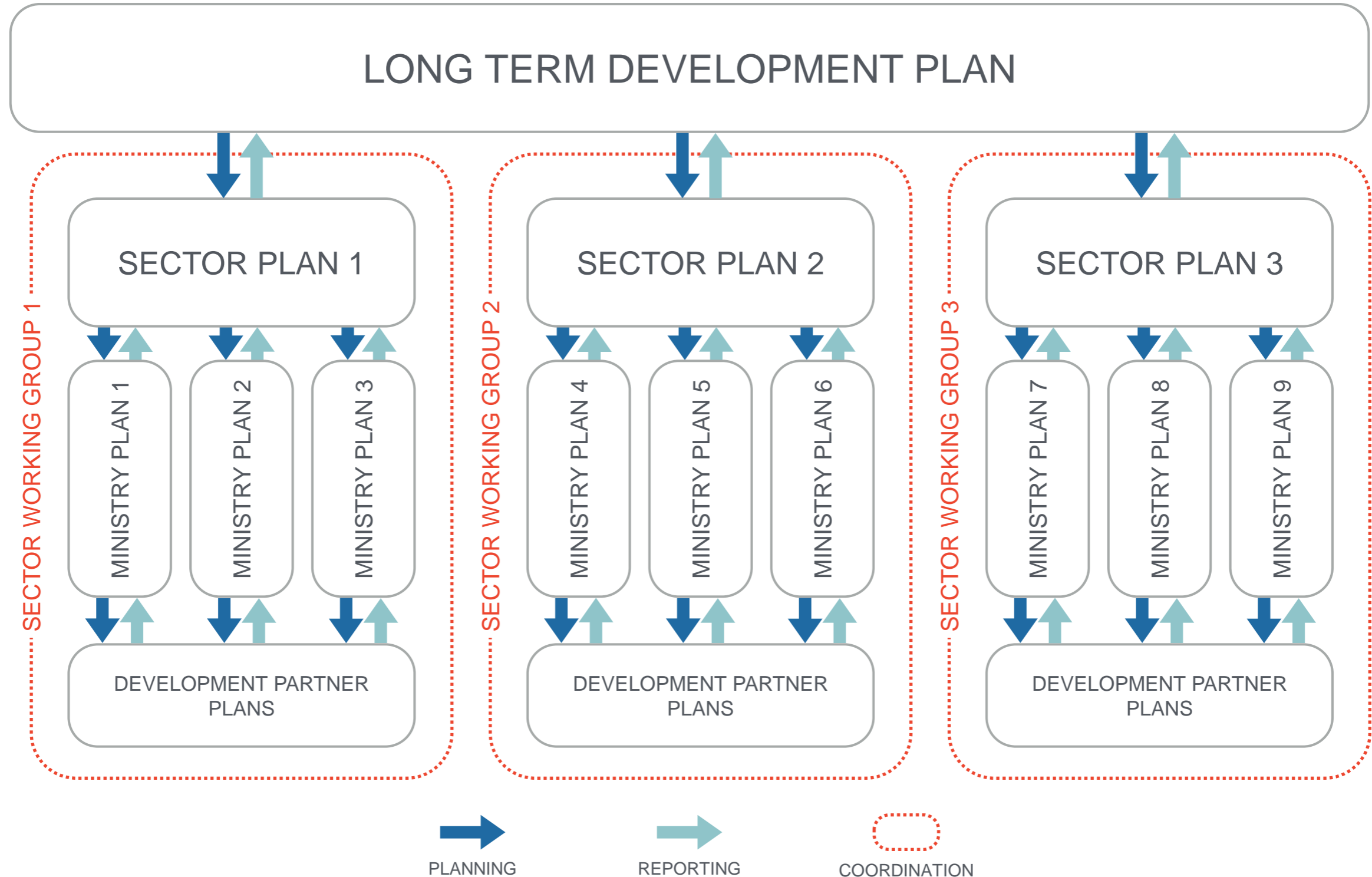


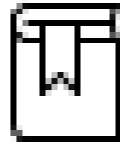
COORDINATION



# DEVELOPMENT PARTNER COORDINATION

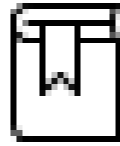
## APPLICATION IN SECTOR WORKING GROUPS





## THE COOPERATION PARTNERS GROUP (CPG) SUSTAINING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- The CPG is the main forum for information sharing amongst all “cooperation partners” concerning development effectiveness and coordination – and for taking decisions on how best Myanmar’s cooperation partners can improve how they work together and with the Government of Myanmar and others.
- The CPG is intended to be as inclusive as possible with non-OECD DAC CPs particularly encouraged to participate.
- Broad participation from the CPG in engagement with Government of Myanmar on strategic and substantive issues will be prioritised.
- Meets on a 6-8 week basis and on an *ad hoc* basis as needed.



# **GOING FORWARD**

## **GENERAL CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES**

- Need to prioritise development and/or finalisation of national, sectoral and ministry plans and strategies
- Aid Policy required to support development partner alignment with Myanmar's national development priorities and avoid duplication and overlap
- Greater provision of accurate, timely and comprehensive data on development partners activities via national aid information management system

# THANK YOU

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