Procedural effectiveness of the new environmental and health impact assessment (EHIA) process applied to power plant projects in Thailand

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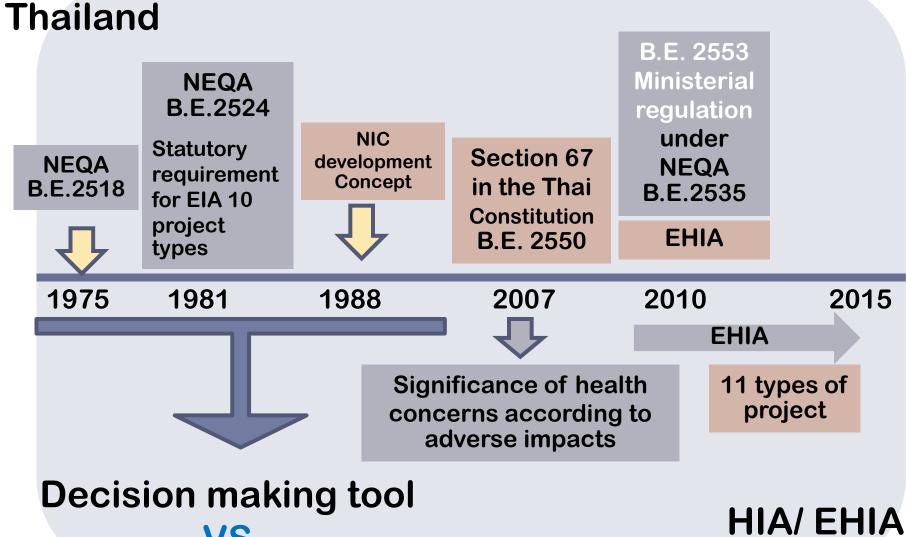
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in Thailand

EIA in

Burden of trust??





Would it help?

Would it work?



How it work?

Effectiveness



Concept of procedural effectiveness

Procedural effectiveness

Impact assessment practice

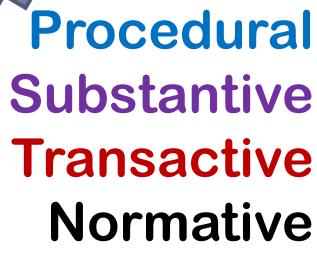
principles + (procedures+ policy)



Clear findings



Decision makers



Criteria framework conceptualised by Chanchitprica & Bond (2012)

(Sadler, 1996, Baker and MaLelland, 2003, Bina, 2007, and Therivel, 2010)



Procedural effectiveness

P1: Policy framework & procedures

P2: Institutional practice

P3: EHIA integration in planning

P4: Financial funds

P5: Stakeholder involvement

P6: Clarity of EHIA as evidence for decision making process

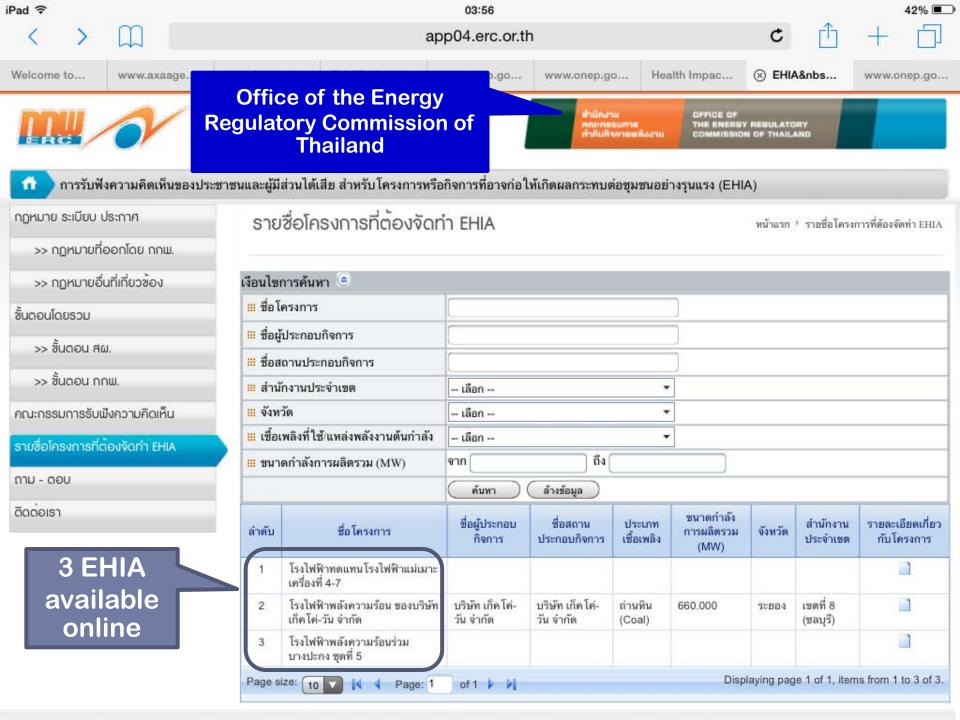
P7: Delivering key findings to stakeholders



Procedural Substantive Transactive Normative

Criteria framework conceptualised by Chanchitpricha & Bond (2012)





EGAT: Mae Moh unit 4-7 replacement project, Lampang



Source: Picture by EGAT via http://www.egat.co.th/





EGAT: Bang Pakong Block 5 (Phase3) project, Chachoengsao



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GHECO-One project, Map Ta Phut, Rayong



Procedural effectiveness of power plant EHIA

P1: Policy & procedures (HinP: Regulations)	GHECO- One Y: P	Bang Paknog Y:Likely Y	Mae Moh Y: Y
P2: Institutional practice (EMN:DSN: Collaboration)	Y:Y:Y	Y:Y:P	Y:P:P
P3: EHIA integration in planning P4: Financial funds	Y	Y	Y
P5: Stakeholder involvement	Y	Y	Y
P6: Clarity of EHIA as evidence in decision making	Likely Y	Likely Y	Likely Y
P7: Delivering key findings to stakeholders	Y	Y	Υ

#IAIA15 Note: Y=Yes, P= Partially meets criterion

Approval of power plant EHIA & project status

Different situations: gaps to fill when new regulations applied



regulations applied Samuel					
	SHECO-One	Bang Pako	ng* Mae Moh		
(1) EHIA approval by ONEP	✓	✓	✓		
(2) EHIA approval & project					
permission by ERC	~	In process	In process		
(3) Project construction					
conducted before (2)	✓	✓	×		
(4) Project operation					
commencement	Y	~	X		

Source: 1) AIR SAVE CO. LTD. (2011), 2) SEG

Time scale of relevant actions: project construction & operation VS the completion of EHIA permission approval -> restricted OR compromised?



EHIA of Power plant development & project status

Procedural effectiveness criterion on timing enforcement has been missing -- > P8 should be considered added



Conclusion Barrier:

Project development time scale VS EHIA process completion

Theory development for procedural effectiveness criteria framework → new criterion : timing enforcement (P8)

Facilitator:

Availability of legal requirement and guideline for EHIA

Recommendation:

- Regulation application
- Other aspects of effectiveness

... & more test with more cases are welcomed...



.. Thank You...

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