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NATIONAL REGULATIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE BASEL CONVENTION IN BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

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I NATIONAL LAWS



NATIONAL LAWS

Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and Transit) Order, 2013

- Procedures on export, import and transit of hazardous wastes are in accordance with the requirement of Basel Convention
 - Basel permits are issued for the arrangement of export, import and transit
- Hazardous waste is defined as any waste that:
 - has any of the characteristics mentioned in Annex III to the Basel Convention; or
 - belongs to any category contained in Annex I to the Basel Convention, unless it does not possess any of the characteristics contained in Annex III to that Convention
- This order has been gazetted but has not come into force.



NATIONAL LAWS

Other Relevant Laws

- Customs Order, 2006
- Excise Order, 2006
- Ports Act, 1984





Current Approaches

Control of Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Wastes:

- Control of export, import and transit of hazardous wastes are carried out on administrative basis by the Competent Authority.
- Brunei Darussalam prohibits the importation of hazardous wastes (the Ban Amendment).
- Cooperation among the Competent Authority and border control agencies.
- Written declaration by Exporters/Importers for takeback



Current Approaches

Environmentally Sound Management of Hazardous Wastes

- Proponents for development projects are required to submit Environmental Impacts Assessment prior to project commencement.
- Pollution Control Guidelines on Industrial Development in Brunei is used for any industrial activities and other activities on environmental related issues.
- Waste minimization through 3Rs



Next Approaches

To commence the Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and Transit) Order, 2013

- To fully implement the Basel Convention.
- This order has been gazetted but has not come into force.
- Next steps (on-going):
 - Dissemination of the Order to the relevant stakeholders (border control agencies, industries, exporters and importers)
 - Development of relevant regulations and guidelines

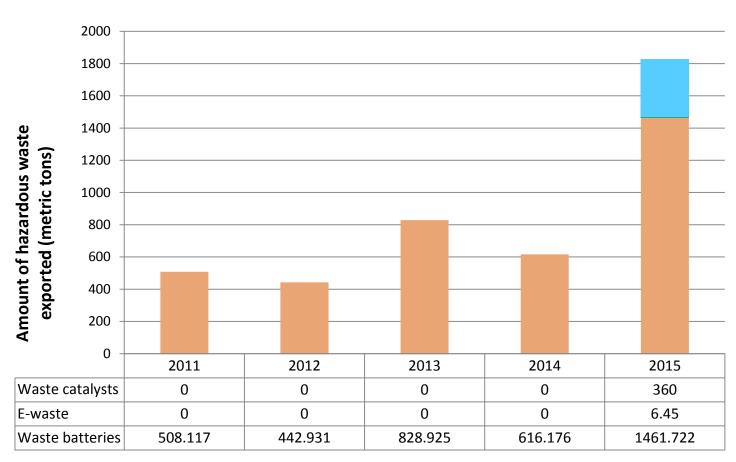


3 STATISTICS



STATISTICS

Export 2011 – 2015



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■ Waste batteries

■ E-waste

Waste catalysts



STATISTICS

Illegal Trafficking & Takeback

ZERO
CASES OF
ILLEGAL
TRAFFICKING

ZERO
CASES OF
TAKEBACK



3 GAPS & LIMITATIONS



GAPS & LIMITATIONS

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- No guidelines to distinguish between UEEE and E-wastes
- Lack of documented guidelines on the ESM of E-wastes
- Lack of holistic mechanism and infrastructure
- Takeback is not a legal requirement
- Limited capacity and resources of the Competent Authority
- Lack of technical capacity and expertise
- Lack of proper inventory of EEEs and E-wastes



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