Updates of National Regulations, Implementation Status of the Basel Convention: with a focus on the TBM/ESM of plastic wastes

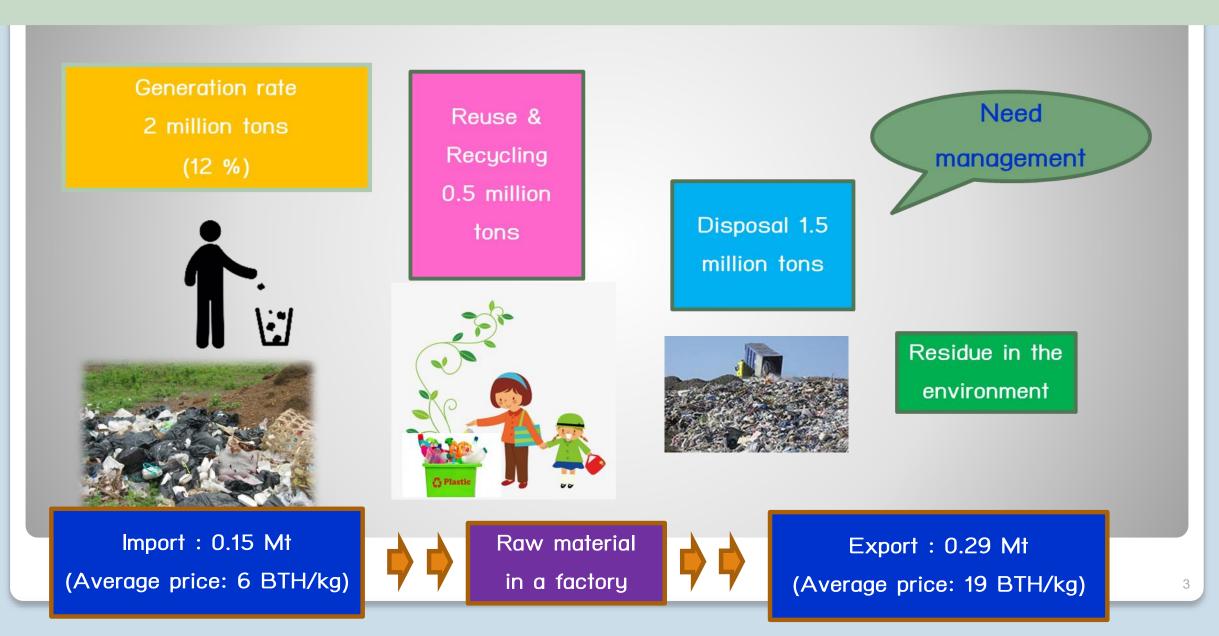
> Workshop 2018 of the Asian Network for Prevention of Illegal Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Wastes 6-8 November 2018, Akita, Japan

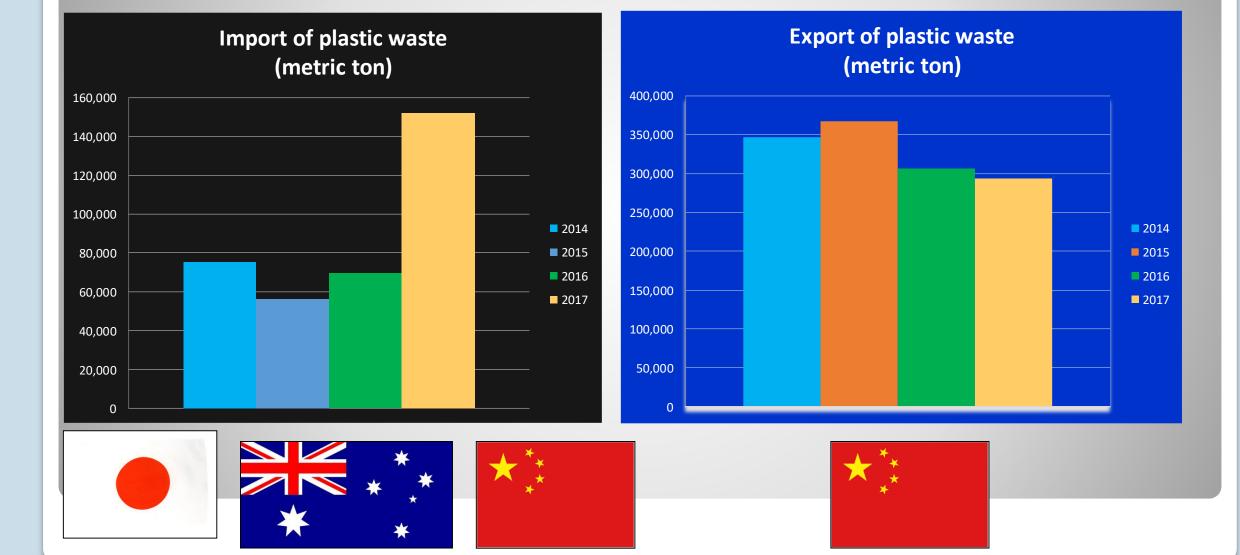


Ms. Sirinart Pongyart Pollution Control Department, Thailand

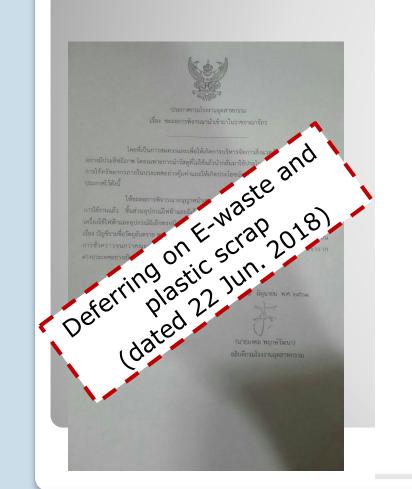
#### Situation of Plastic Waste management in Thailand

#### Situation of Plastic Waste in Thailand, 2017





#### **Related Regulation for importing plastic scrap**



#### Notification of Ministry of Industry Re: Criteria for permission of importing plastics, either used or unused, and its scraps

#### into the Kingdom of Thailand B.E. 2551 (2008)

Refer to the Notification of Ministry of Commerce regarding import of goods into the Kingdom of Thailand (No.112) B.E. 2539 (1996) dated 7<sup>th</sup> February B.E. 2539 (1996), prescribing that import of plastics, either used of unused, and its scraps, as specified in Harmonized System Code 39.15, shall get permission, with approval from Ministry of Industry, in prior of import. Therefore, by the virtue of the article 4 of the Notification of Ministry of Commerce regarding import of goods into the Kingdom of Thailand (No.112) B.E. 2539 (1996) dated 7<sup>th</sup> February B.E. 2539 (1996) prescribing, "an import is permitted with approval from Ministry of Industry, Ministry of Industry hereby announced the Notification as follows:

Article 1 The Notification of Ministry of Industry regarding Criteria for permission of importing plastics, either used or unused, and its scraps into the Kingdom of Thailand B.E. 2549 (2006) dated 18<sup>th</sup> December B.E. 2549 (2006) shall be revoked.

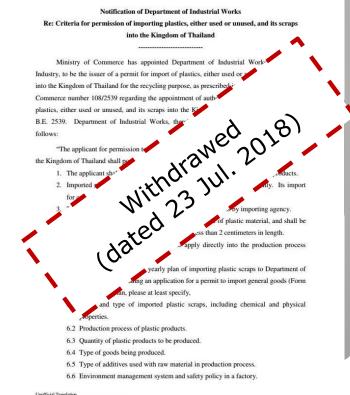
Article 2 Plastic scraps shall mean plastics and its scraps either used or unused, which is not considered as chemical waste.

Article 3 To get approval for import of plastics and its scrap into the Kingdom of Thailand, an applicant shall have the following qualifications and shall follow the procedure as follows:

- (1) The applicant shall be a factory, as specified in the Factory Act B.E. 2535 (1992), which uses plastic as raw material to produce plastic product or other products that have plastic component. Import of plastics and its scraps shall be done for the purpose of using as raw material in the factory only. It is not permitted to sell imported plastics and its scraps for other purposes except as a raw material in producing goods.
- (2) Import mentioned in (1) can be conducted via the middle company.
- (3) Imported plastic scraps shall be sorted into each type of plastic material and shall be able to apply directly into the production process of a factory mentioned in (1) without requiring pre-washing process.
- (4) Imported plastic scraps shall be processed into small pieces of approximately 2 centimeters as maximum length. Exception is made when they are used as raw material in a factory, it shall follow criteria and method specified by Department of Industrial Works, with approval from Minister of Industry.
- Article 4 If it is found that imported plastic scraps do not fall into

qualifications mentioned in Article 3(3) and (4), an applicant and import company shall be responsible for all costs of sending them back to the country of origin.

Unofficial Translation Only the Thai version of the texts is legally binding.



Unofficial Translation Only the Thai version of the texts is legally binding.

#### **Problems on imported plastic scrap and plastic waste management in Thailand**



#### Problems with importing the plastic scraps

- fault declaration
- not comply the condition
- pollution



#### The Use of Plastic Bags in Thailand

#### Thailand used 45 million plastics bags

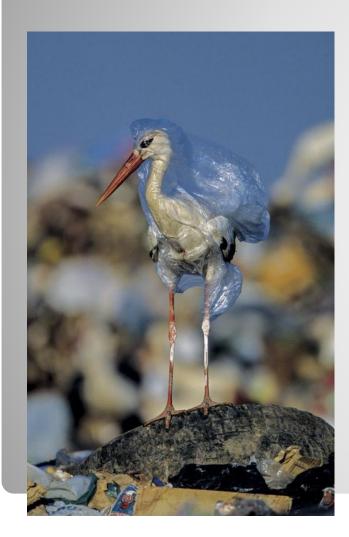
#### The Use of Plastic Cups in Thailand

#### Thailand used 10 billion plastic cups

#### Impacts of Plastic Waste



#### Impacts on Eco-Systems

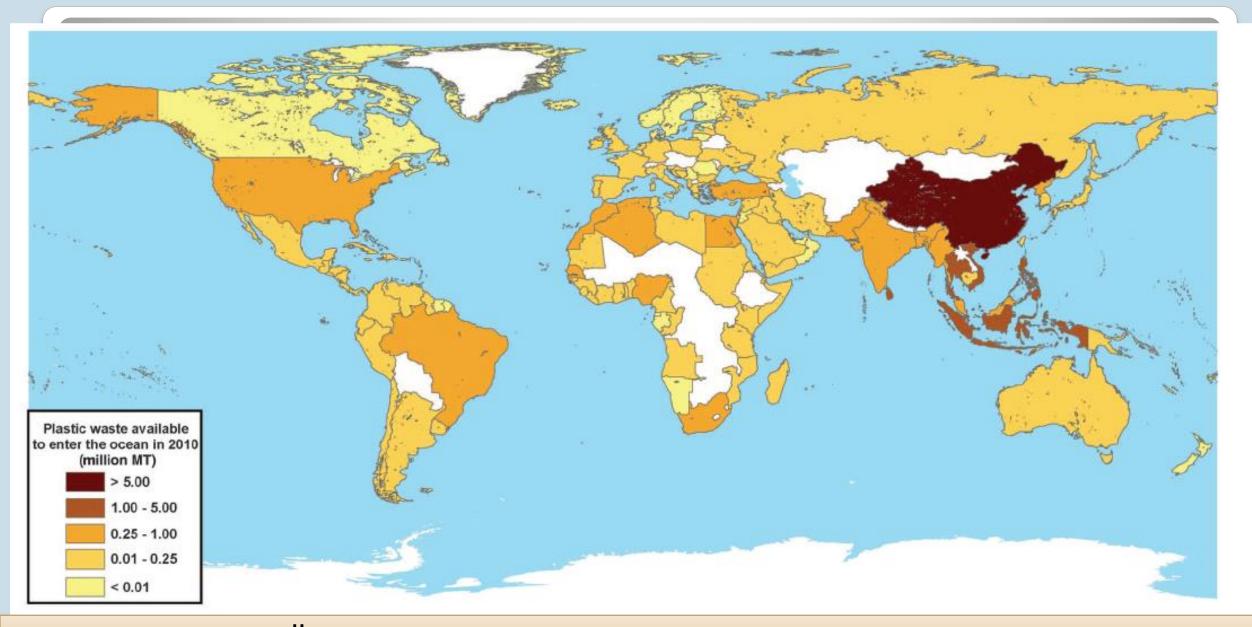












Thailand is 6<sup>th</sup> of the world's worst plastics polluting nations.

## Impacts of Plastic Debris on Marine life

#### (Dead of Marine Animals)



#### **Impacts of Plastic Debris on Marine Life**



#### Government Policy on Plastic Waste Management



(General Prayuth Chan-ocha)

Minister of Natural Resources and Environment. (General Surasak Karnjanarat) The national administration reform steering committee (Chaired by Gen Prawit Wongsuwan, Deputy Prime Minister and Defense Minister)

Subcommittee on integration of systematically imported E-Waste and plastic management

(Chaired by Gen Surasak Kanchanarat, Minister of Natural Resources and Environment)

Decision

- Plastic scrap will be banned within 2 years.

- Exactly amount of quota per year will be considered by the subcommittee on plastic waste management under the National Environmental Board

## The National Environmental Board : Subcommittee on plastic waste management

- Committee 1: Development of Plastic Waste Management Mechanism
- Committee 2 : Campaign and Promotion
- Committee 3 : Working Group on the Development and Utilization



of Plastic Waste





Duties : Prepare (draft) of the framework and concept of a 20-year plastic waste management plan



## Altruistic Heart : Protect



the Environment

#### Activity 1 : Reduce and Separate Waste in Government Office



ด้วย 5 วิธี น่าย ๆ 1. ยืดอกเบกทุบผ้า 2. เบกกล่องเบร้อมใส่อาหาร 3. เบกแก้วน้ำให้ติดกระเบ๋า 4. ใช้ซ้ำแทนการทิ้ง 5. คัดแยกขยะรีใชเคิล



Activity 2 : Campaign the reduction of plastic bags in fresh markets and supermarkets

# รวมใจรณรงค์ลดใช้กุงพลาสติก

ในตลาดสดทั่วประเทศ 77 จังหวัด 7,000 กว่าตลาด เริ่มวันที่ 21 กรกฎาคม 2561 เป็นตันไป

โดย กระทรวงทรัพยากรธรรมชาติและสิ่งแวดล้อม ร่วมกับ อปท.ทั่วประเทศ



# Activity 4 : Limit the use of plastic bags and foam containers in zoos





Activity 5 : Waste management on land-based source and see-based source covering 24 coastal provinces

### Public Private Partnerships

#### No Plastic Bottle Cap Seal





### Public Private Partnerships

#### Material Flow of Plastic





#### International Cooperation ASEAN Conference in Reducing Marine Debris in ASEAN Region Phuket, Thailand, 22-24 November, 2017







้<mark>งดนำเข้า</mark>บรรจุภัณฑ์พลาสติกประเภทใช้ครั้งเดียวทิ้ง เข้าอุทยานแห่งชาติ







#### Pollution Control Department Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Thailand www.pcd.go.th