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MYANMAR PERSPECTIVES ON URBAN SYSTEMS AND DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES

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THE NATIONAL URBAN SYSTEM OF MYANMAR

URBAN SYSTEM IN MYANMAR

Urban Areas in Myanmar are by Notification regardless of size.

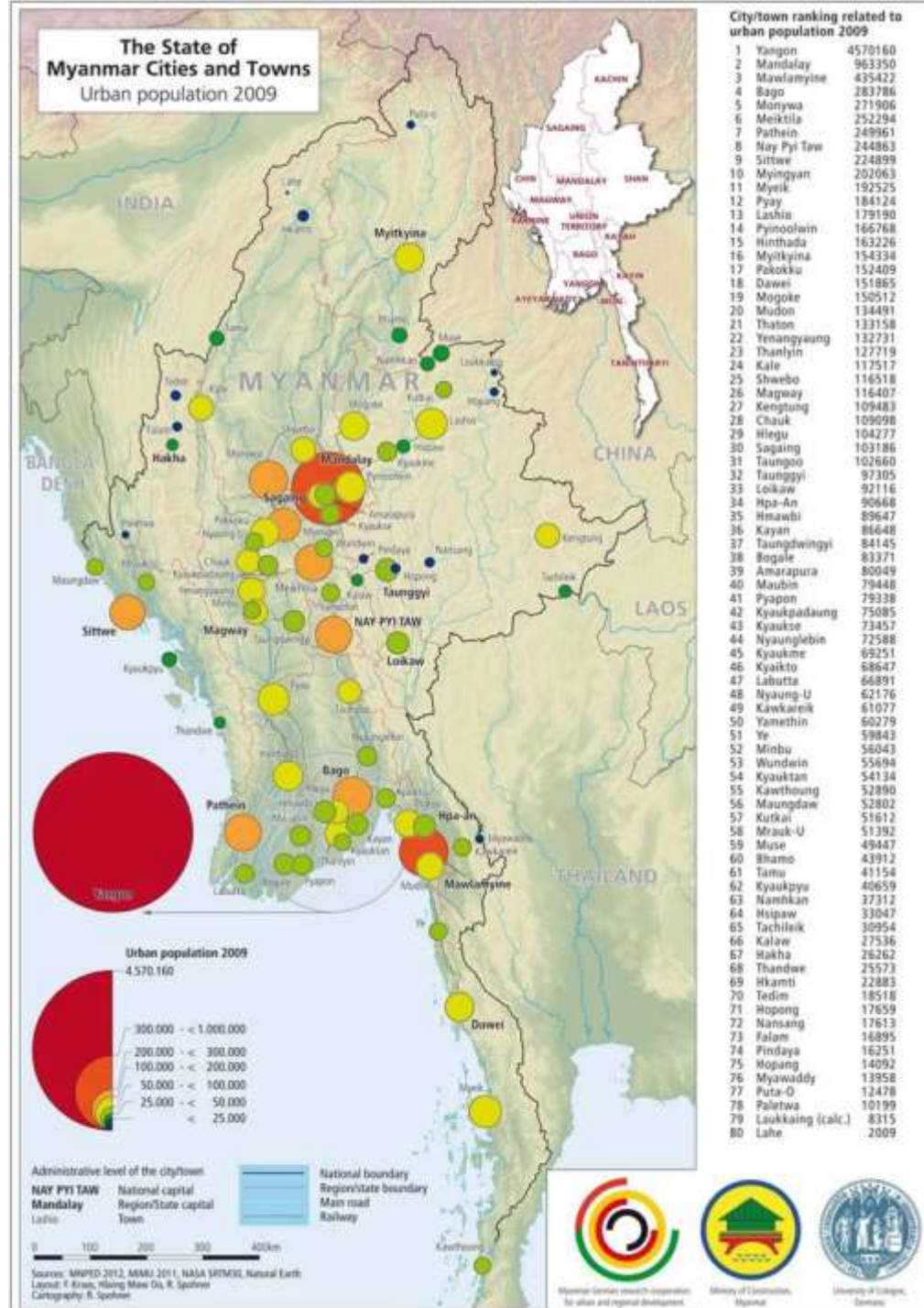
Altogether 366 Notified towns in 2009

Total Population (Oct. 2010) = 59.78 million
 Population Growth Rate = 1.1%

Urban Population (Oct. 2010) = 18.34 million

% Urban = 30.68%

(Source: Statistical Year Book 2011,
 CSO, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, 2012)



Urbanization

The majority of Myanmar's citizens still live in the rural areas .. that is likely to change—at a rapid speed and on a large scale.

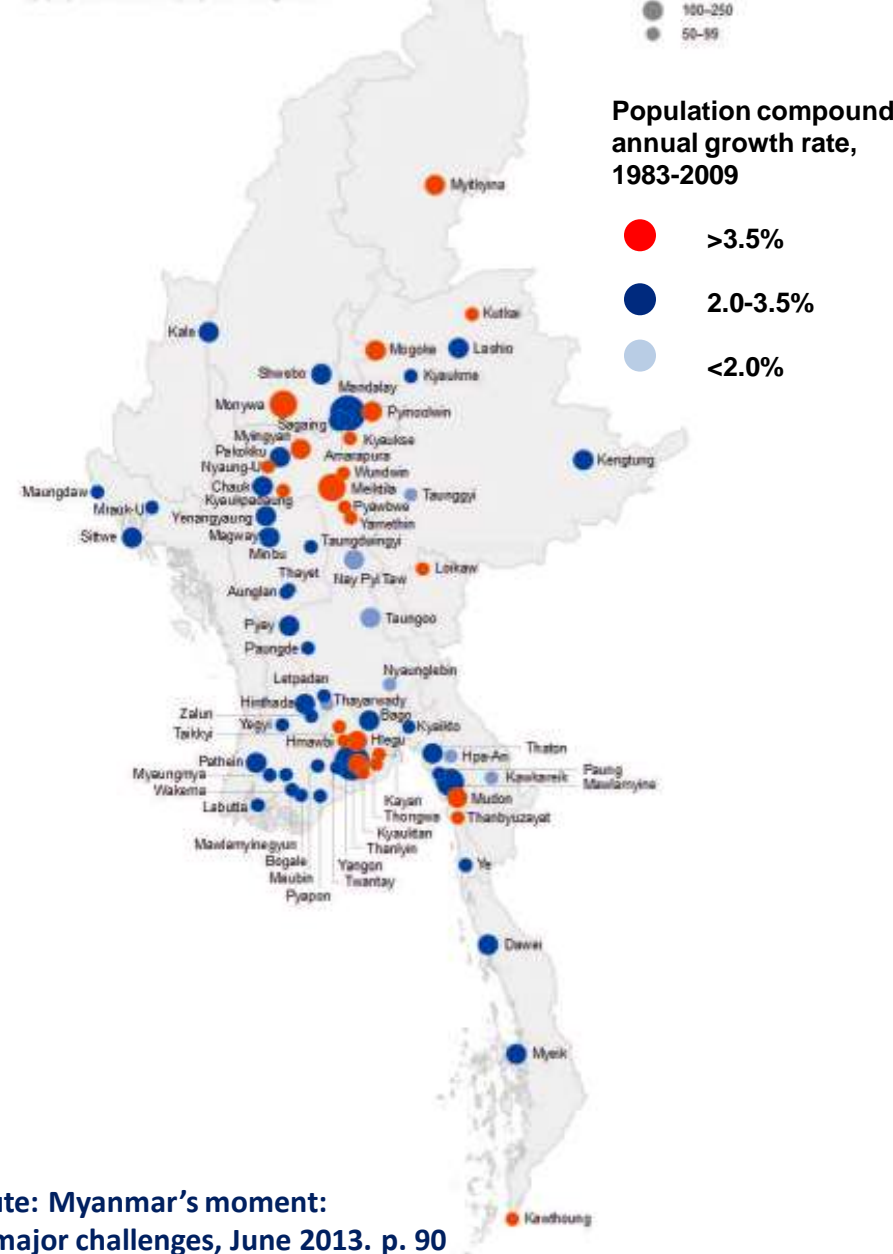
Mc Kinsey Global Institute: Myanmar's moment: Unique Opportunities, major challenges, June 2013. p. 8

With current national population growth rate of around 1.1%, the urban population growth rate is around 2.5 times higher than the national population growth rate.

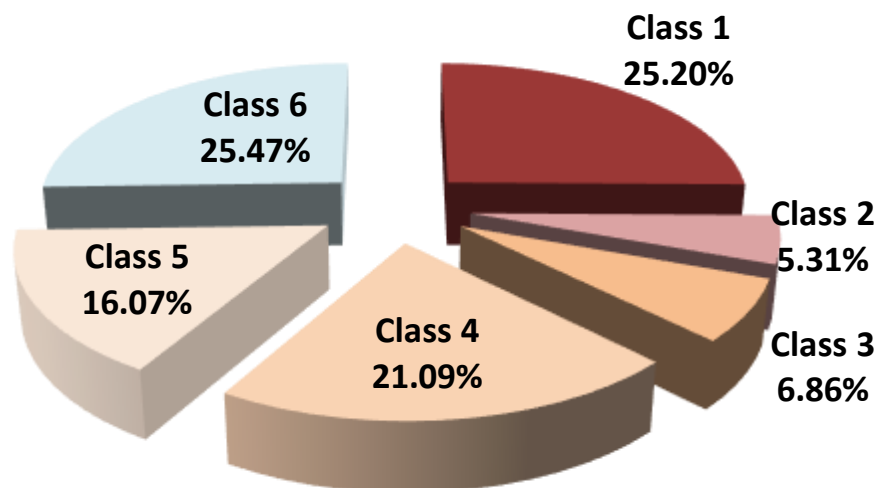
Exhibit 33

Myanmar's cities are concentrated in the Delta and the Dry Zone, and cities close to Yangon and Mandalay are growing fastest

Myanmar cities with 50,000 inhabitants or more, by population and population growth



Urban Centers by Size Class in Myanmar (2009)

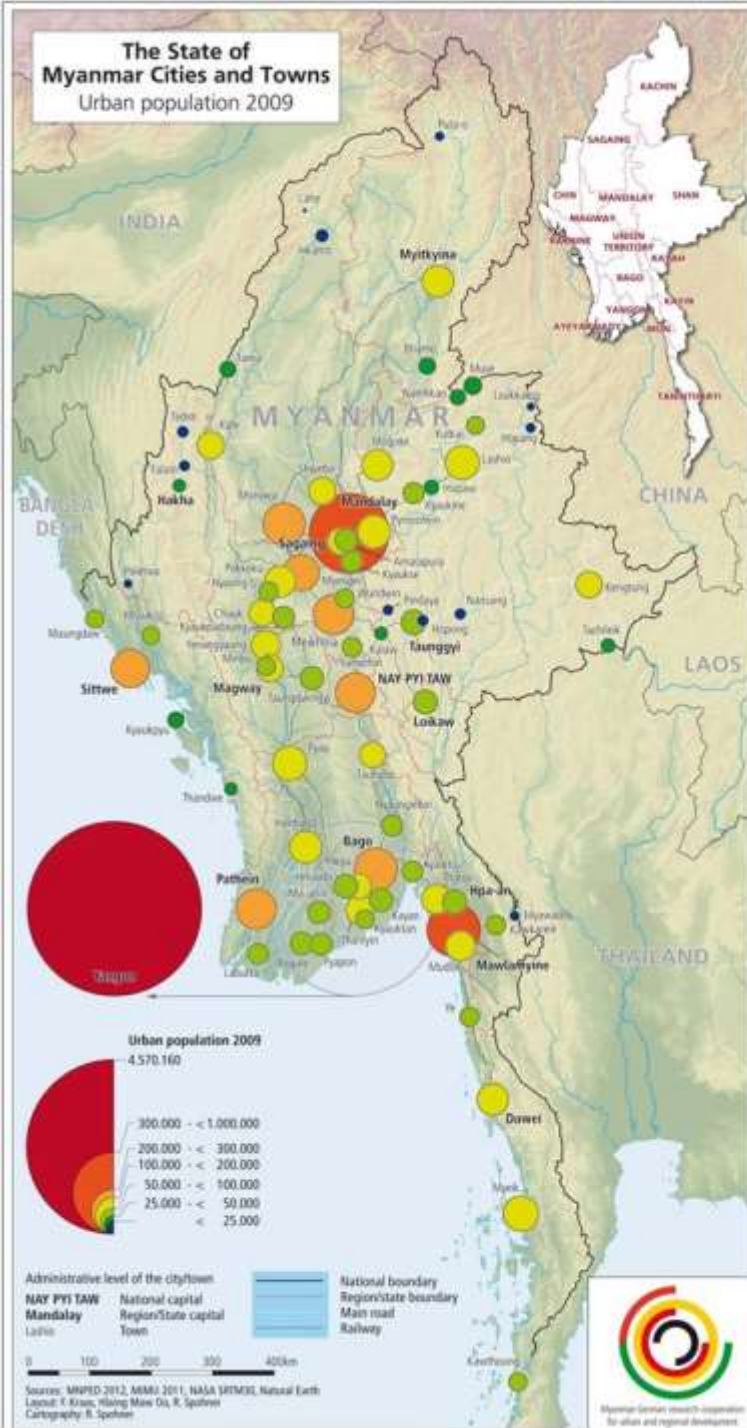


Total Population (2009) = 59.13 million
(SYB 2011)
Population Urban = 18.13 million
% Urban = 30.66%

Pop. in Centers over 50,000 = 13.52 million
(2009)
% of total population = 22.86%

Size Class	Population Size	No. of Centers	Population	% of Total Urban
I	More than 1 million	1	4,570,160	25.20%
II	500,000 - 1 million	1	963,350	5.31%
III	250,000-500,000	4	1,243,408	6.86%
IV	100,000 - 250,000	25	3,823,984	21.09%
V	50,000 - 100,000	43	2,914,725	16.07%
VI	Less than 50,000	292	4,619,027	25.47%
	Total	366	18,134,654	100.00%

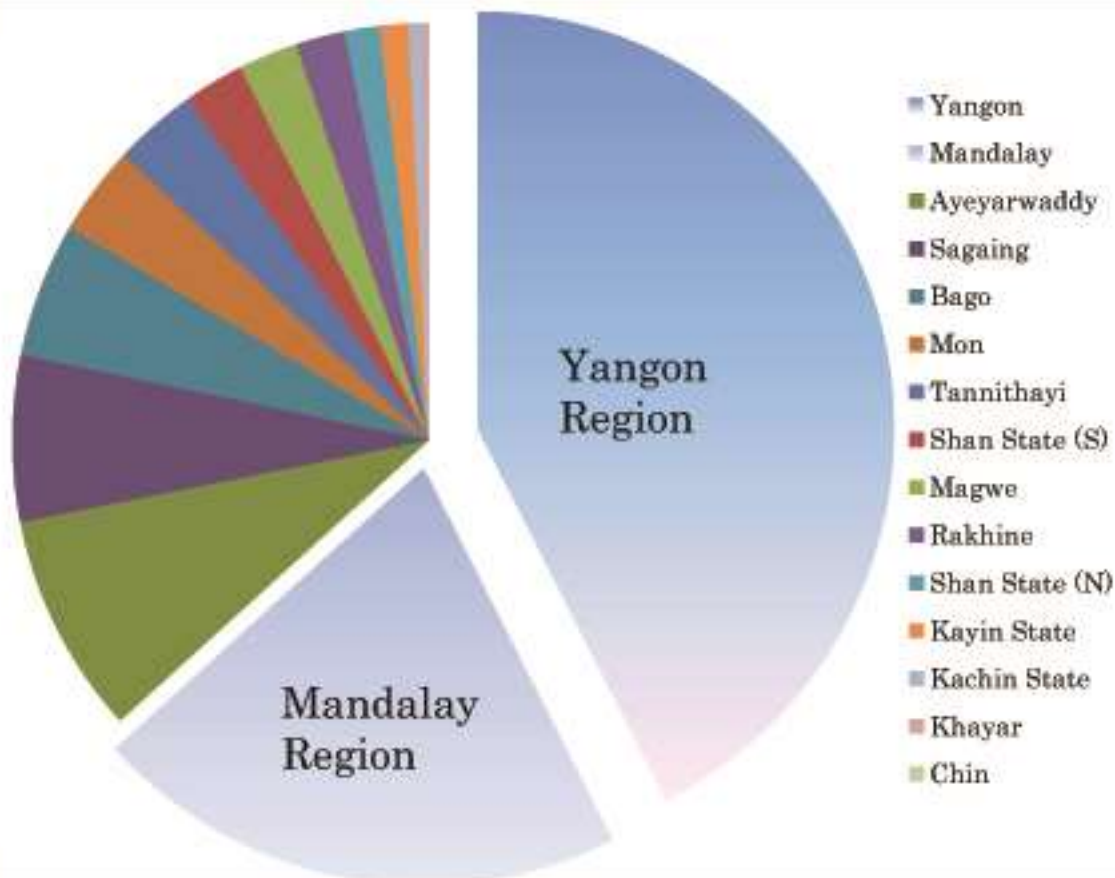
**The State of
Myanmar Cities and Towns**
Urban population 2009



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Distribution of large size private industries in 2009



Source: Kudo T., Kumagai S. [2012] "Two Polar Growth Strategy in Myanmar: Seeking 'High' and 'Balanced 'Development'" IDE Discussion Paper No. 371

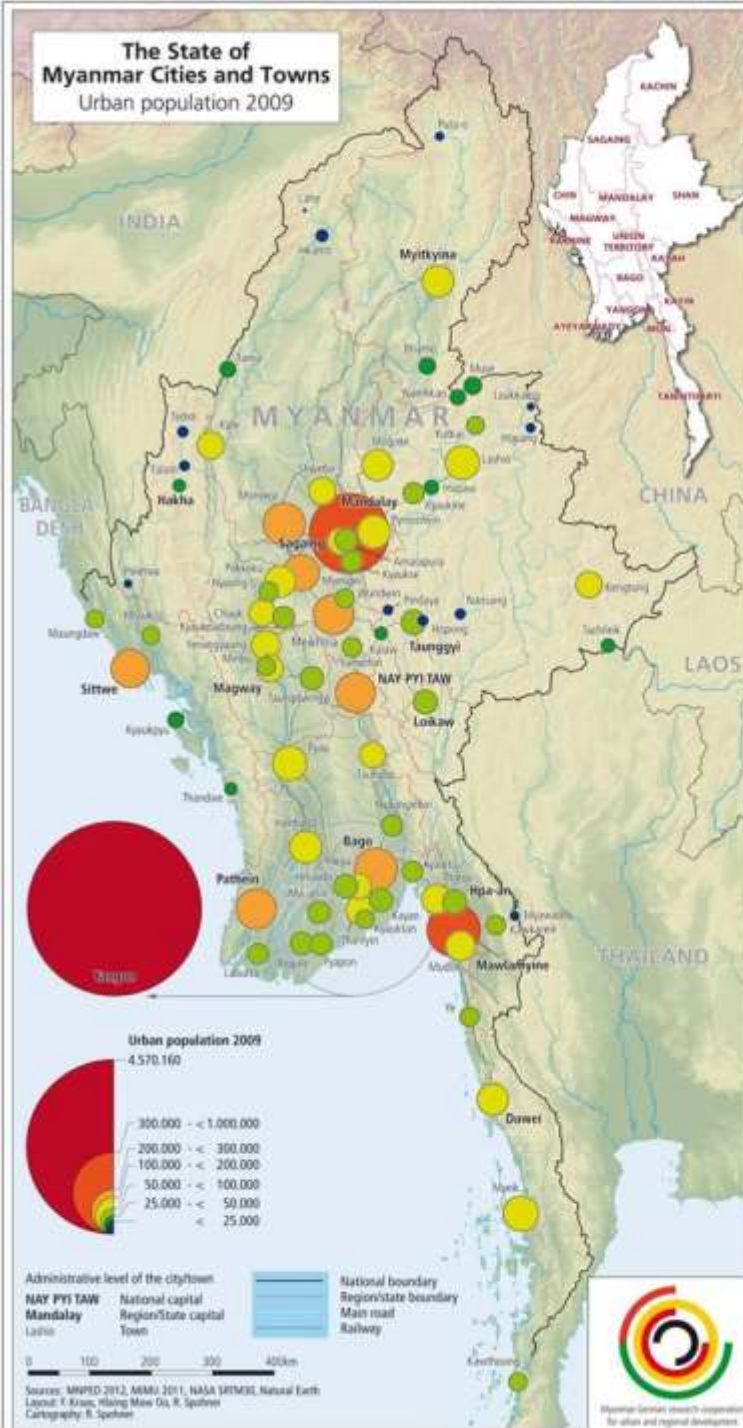


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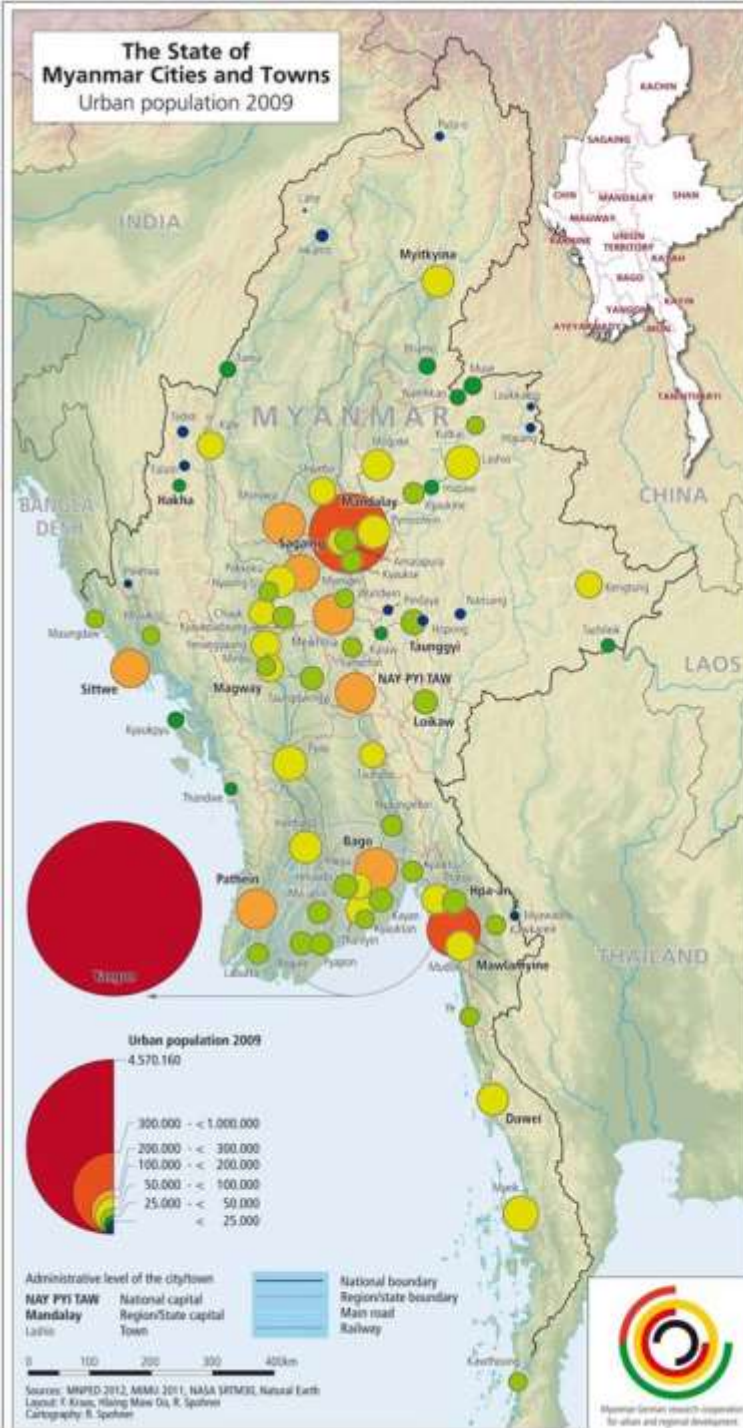
The Urban Centers of Myanmar

Bago, though historically an important trading hub, has for a long time been overshadowed by Yangon. However with the construction and move of an International Airport to its vicinity, and the interest of the industrialists in the areas around the airport, Bago may evolve into a peri-urban manufacturing center.



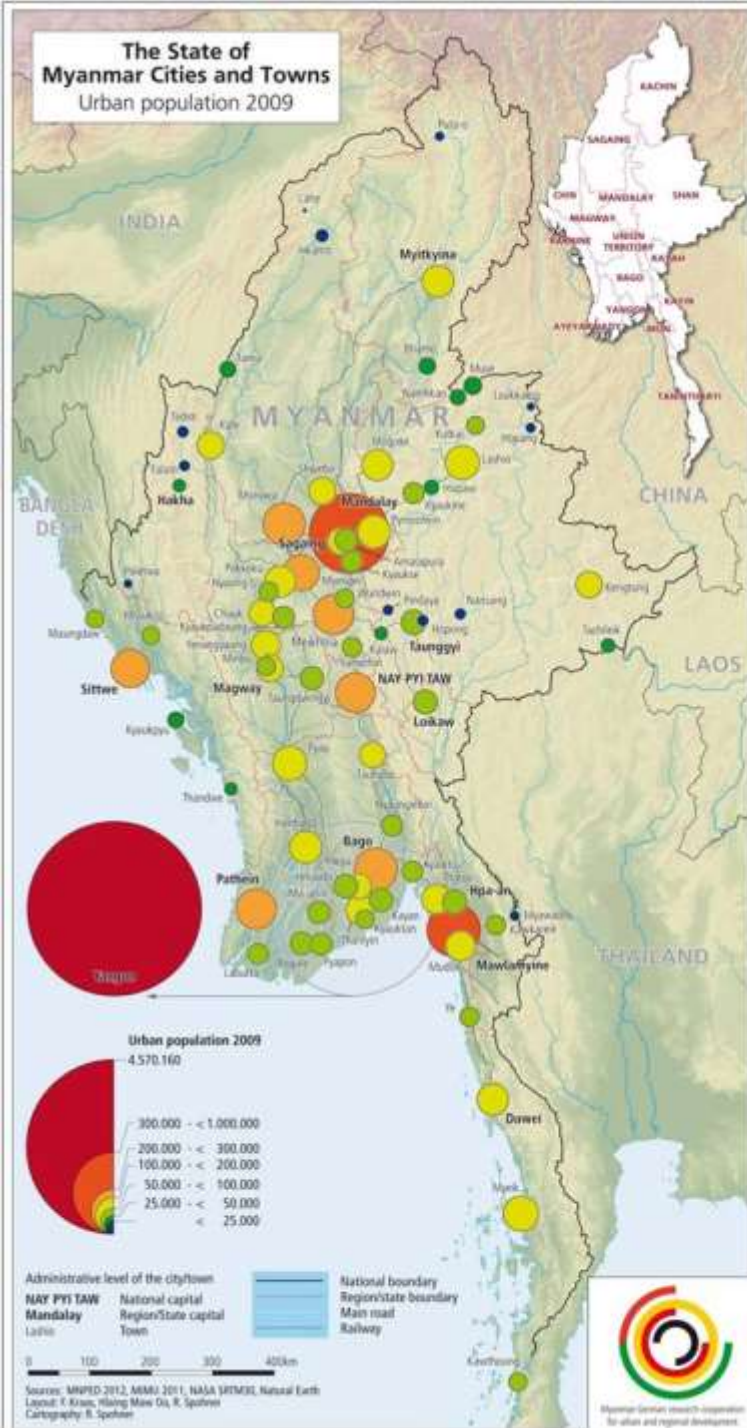
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Mandalay, the second largest city and fast growing region of the nation is gaining more importance and population with the move of the administrative capital to Nay Pyi Taw, and improved connections to China and India. Its population has already crossed the benchmark of 1 million in the recent years.



The Urban Centers of Myanmar

Mawlamyine, lies at the crossroads of GMS East-West and Western corridors is one of the largest cities in Myanmar with strategic location which with proper planning and investment in the infrastructure will allow it to be a key regional center for future economic development of Myanmar.



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**SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT
IN THE ASSESSMENT OF
THE URBANIZATION TREND OF MYANMAR**

Important GMS Border Crossings in Myanmar

1. Muse – Ruli

Trade, Tourism

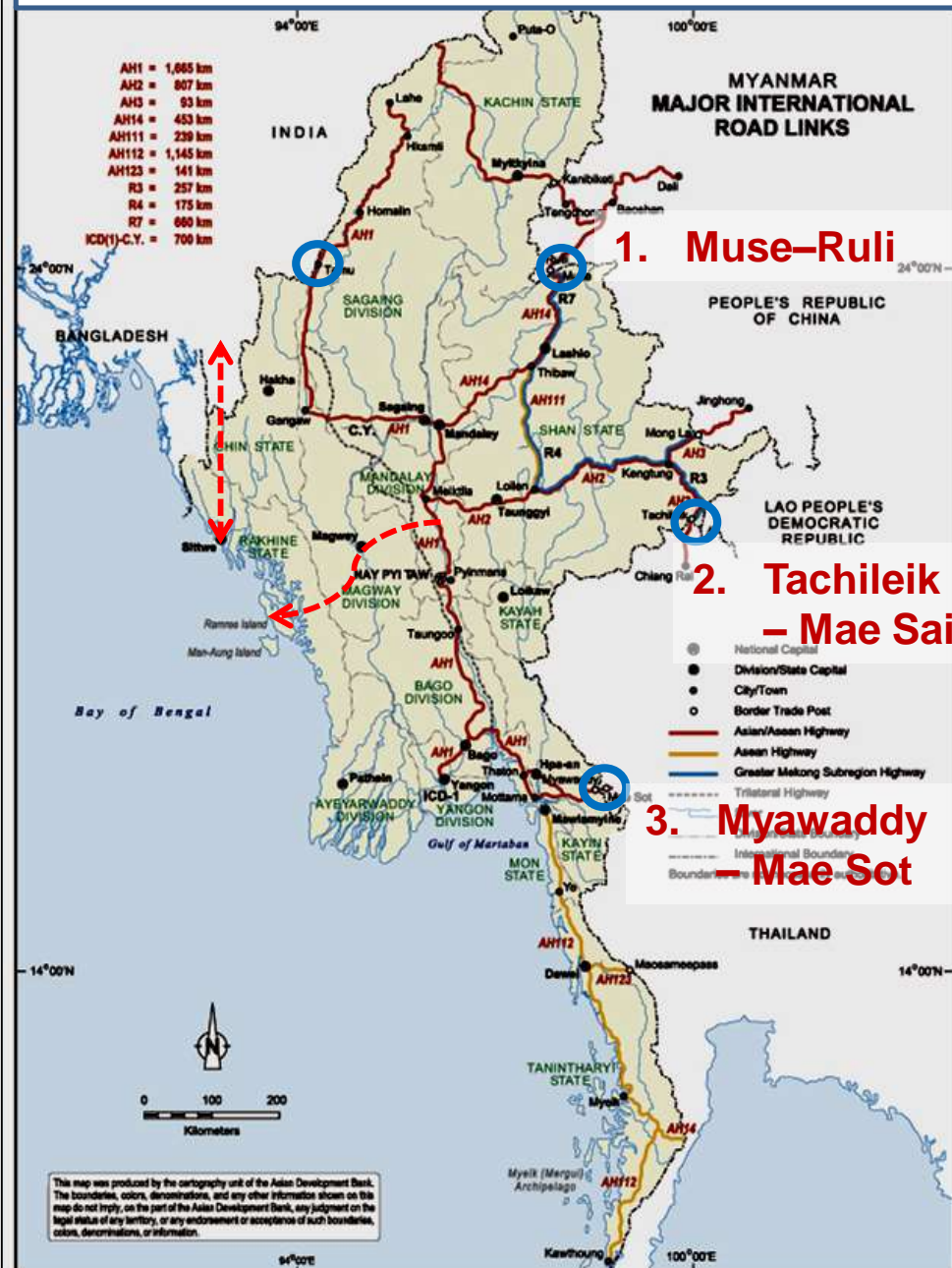
2. Tachileik – Mae Sai

Tourism

3. Myawaddy – Mae Sot

Trade (Possibility of Tourism)

INTERNATIONAL ROAD LINKS OF MYANMAR



AH = Asian Highway/ASEAN Highway, R = GMS Highway.

Note: The map shows existing and future links.

Source: ADB. Roads on the map are based on information provided by the Myanmar Port Authority, Ministry of Transport.

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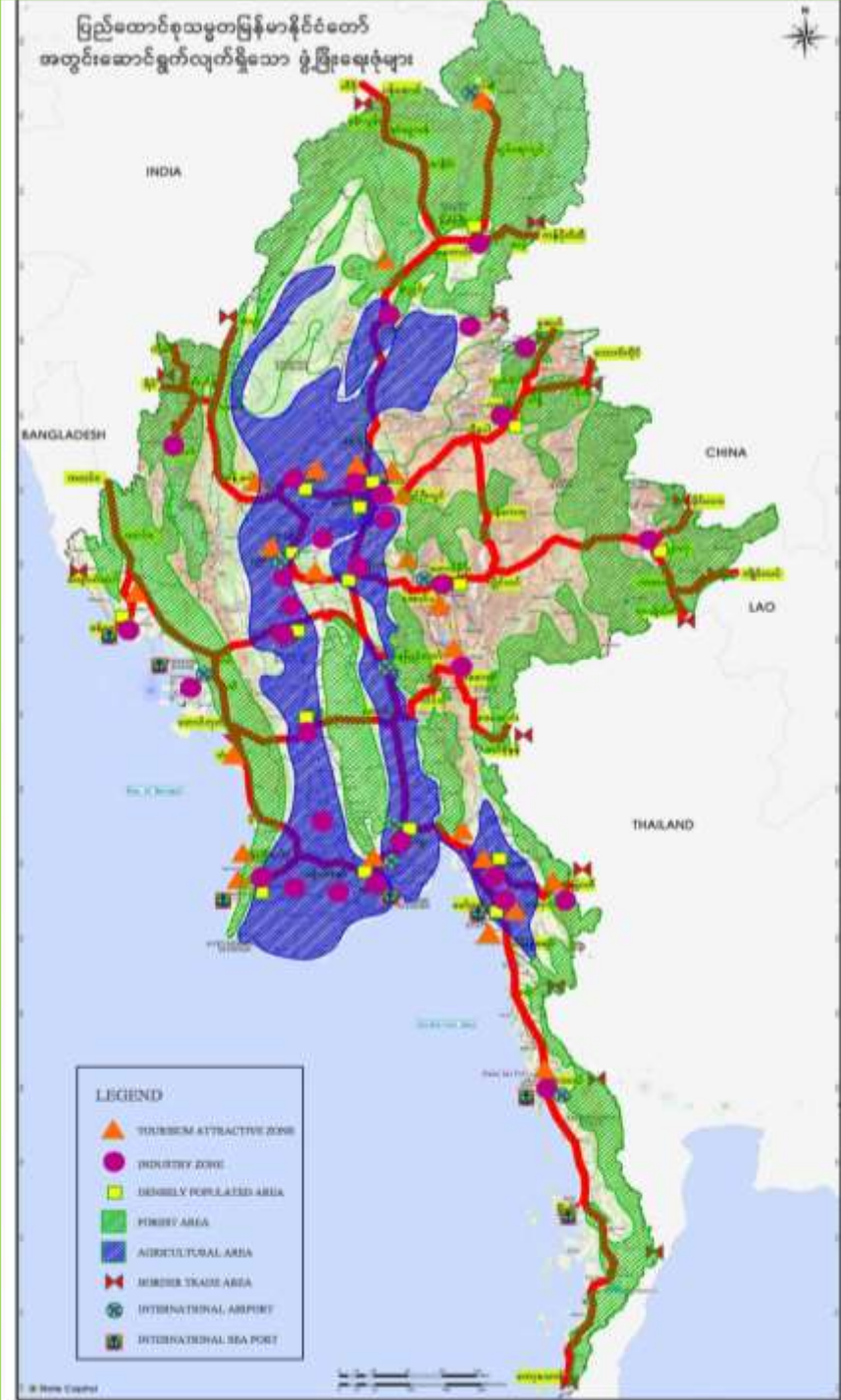
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Yangon (Municipality)	4570160	Western	More than 1 million	1
Mandalay (Municipality)	963350	Western, Northern	500,000 - 1 million	2
Mawlamyine	435422	East-West, Western	250,000-500,000	3
Bago	283786	Western		
Meiktilar	252294	Western		
Nay Pyi Taw (Municipality)	244863	Western		
Lashio	179190	Northern		
Pyin Oo Lwin	166768	Northern	100,000-250,000	4
Dawae	151865	Southern		
Tha Htone	133158	East-West		
Ka Lay	117517	Northern		
Sagaing	103186	Northern		
Taungoo	102660	Western	50,000-100,000	5
Kyauk Sae	73457	Western		
Kyauk Mae	69251	Northern		
Kyauk Hto	68647	East-West		
Yamethin	60279	Western		
Muse	49447	Northern	less than 50,000	6
Tamu	41154	Northern		
Tarchileik	30954	Central		



Future Development Zones and Arterial Highways

-  TOURISM ATTRACTION ZONE
-  INDUSTRY ZONE
-  DENSELY POPULATED AREA
-  BORDER TRADE AREA
-  INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
-  INTERNATIONAL SEA PORT
-  FOREST AREA
-  AGRICULTURAL AREA



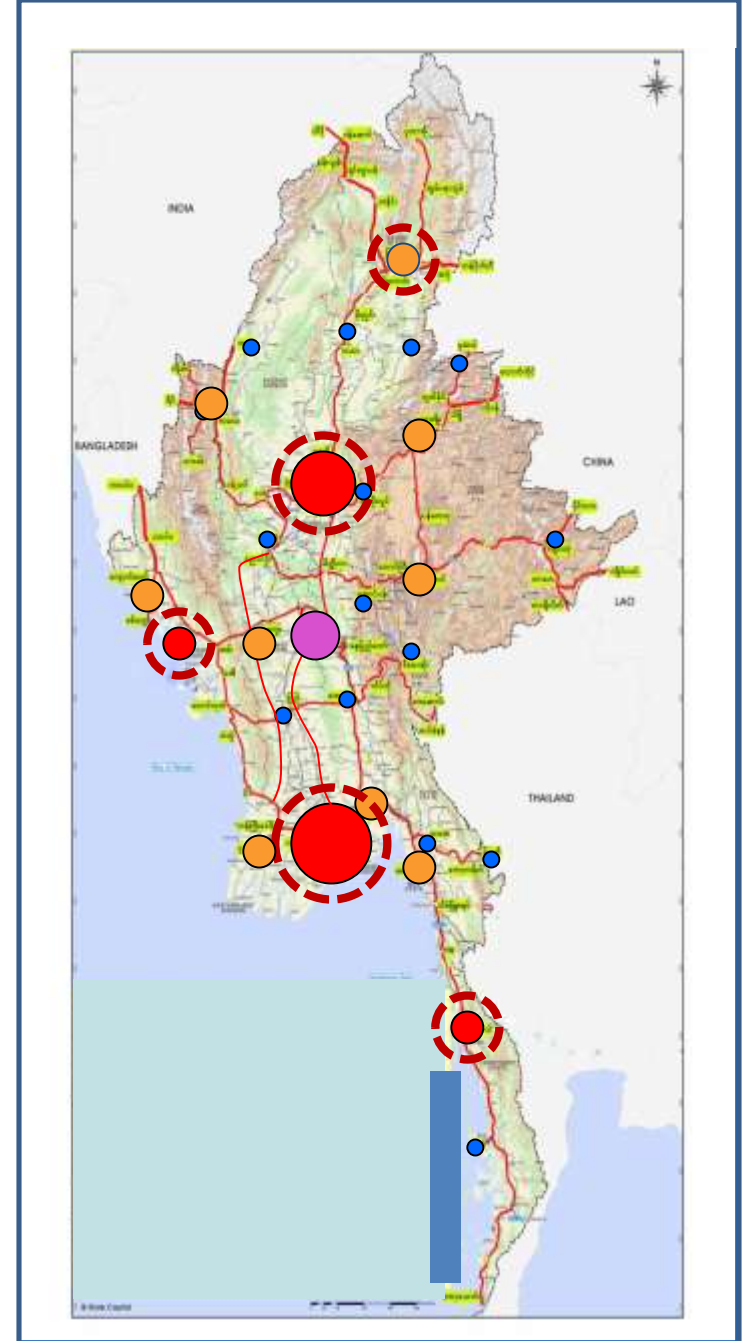
CONCEPT OF CONCENTRATED DECENTRALIZATION DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

-  Capital City
(Administrative, Transport & Logistic Hub)
-  National Economic Growth Centre
(SEZ, Port, Int. Airport, Trading, Financial)
-  Secondary Regional Growth center
-  Other Towns with Different Growth Potentials

Main Corridor

Emerging Regional Corridor

Major Communication Axis



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