



**USEDATA**  
Myanmar

**Using Extractive Industry Data (USEDATA)** – a DFID-funded programme which seeks to make freely available data and information already in the public domain ('open data') related to the extractive industry – oil, gas and mining. USEDATA makes information more accessible and understandable for a range of data users, including national and sub-national governments, extractive industry companies, local communities, civil society, media and journalists in four countries in Africa and Asia-Pacific: Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda, and Myanmar. USEDATA commenced in August 2015 and is implemented by Montrose ([www.montroseint.com](http://www.montroseint.com)).

## What is USEDATA doing?

In early 2017, USEDATA is set to launch a user-friendly and easily accessible online portal on the Myanmar extractive industry. There will be general information provided on the overall Myanmar context as well as a number of country-specific issues relating to the extractive industry in Myanmar.



**MEITI report** – will explain what MEITI is, outline the requirements that Myanmar must meet to reach the EITI standard, outline the progress Myanmar has made in meeting requirements so far, and display selected data published in the 1st report.



**Grievance mechanisms** – will provide information on what a grievance mechanisms is, which ones are in place for different extractive industry activities in Myanmar, and how they can be used.



**Environmental and Social Impact Assessments (ESIAs)** – will outline what an ESIA is, which companies have produced ESIA's in Myanmar, and will provide examples of international standards for comparison.



**Legislation** – will outline what the national policies and legal requirements are for extractive industries regarding licensing, ESIA's, social investment etc.



**Government bodies** – will outline the various government ministries, departments, and working groups relevant to the extractive industry and their general remit, roles, responsibilities, and members.



**Conflict spots related to EI** – will outline areas of conflict and military presence in extractive industry areas.

A combination of online and offline methods will be used to make information about the extractives industry accessible to different communities and actors. This will include infographics, workshops, cartoons, posters, and flyers that will present information in easy to understand and engaging formats. This will be especially important for communities that have limited access to the internet.

To access general information and data on the extractive industry in Myanmar, please visit [www.usedatamyanmar.com](http://www.usedatamyanmar.com)

## USEDATA Goals

- To improve understanding of the extractive industry at all levels of society through increased use of Myanmar language, accurate translations, and accessible explanations of technical processes and terminology.
- To improve understanding of national level policies at both the top and grassroots levels of society to facilitate targeted advocacy for transparency and accountability.
- To provide examples of best practice from around the world in order to compare and hold companies and government to higher standards.
- To clarify the structures and roles of extractive industry related government bodies and regulations so that industry, civil society, and communities know what frameworks they must work within.

## How does USEDATA work?

- USEDATA is a collaborative project informed by a Consultative Group made up of government officials, civil society, international NGOs, and oil, gas, and mining companies operating in Myanmar. This group represents the views and interests of different stakeholders and ensures that concerns from these key areas are accurately reflected within the programme.
- USEDATA seeks to work with a range of existing initiatives to complement and disseminate other work ongoing in the sector.

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