Thailand's Experiences in GHGs Inventories

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Overview

- 1990: 1st official GHGs inventory prepared in 1997
- Mainly supported by US Country Study Program
- Partly supported by the Royal Thai Government

Overview (cont.)

- 1994 national inventory of GHGs represents the 2nd official inventory in Thailand
- Mainly supported by the Royal Thai Government
- Partly supported by GEF
- Used as the official data for National Communication

Methodology used

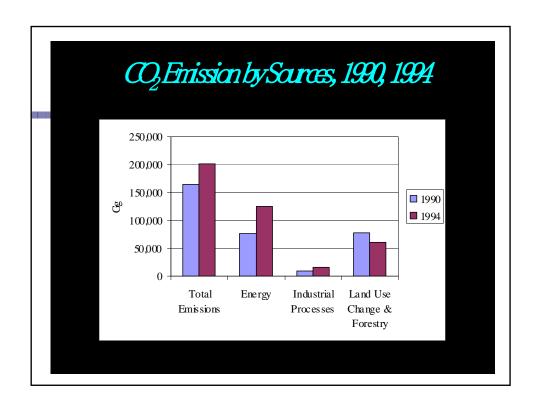
- 1994 inventory is the result of recent studies conducted by researchers from various research and academic institutes
- 1996 IPCC Revised Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories

Methodology used (cont.)

- used local activity data to substitute for the default data recommended by IPCC
- Inventory was emphasized with task forces for specific sectors

Methodology used (cont.)

- Experts from academia were utilized while knowledge and capacities were transferred to relevant government officials
- A series of internal review and workshops have been conducted throughout the period of inventory and National Communication preparation



GHGs Inventory

- Gross CO₂ 241 Tg (-sink 39 Tg): Net 202 Tg
- Energy emitted more than one-half of CO₂: forest and landuse emited less than that of 1990
- Methane 3.2 Tg: About 91 % from rice and livestock

GHGs Inventory (cont.)

- N₂O 56 Gg; mostly from manure and agriculture soils
- NO_x 287 Gg; mainly from energy
- CO 555 Gg; mainly from land use change and forestry and agriculture
- NMVOC 2.5 Tg; mainly from energy
- Total 1994 net emissions = 286 Tg CO₂ equivalent

Experiences Gained

- Information and data on climate change accumulated
- Experts practiced new methodologies on climate change issues
- Capacities of large numbers of scientists and social scientists were enhanced

Experiences Gained (cont.)

- Related officials were trained through workshops and seminars
- Sub-regional and Regional cooperation: emission factors (Malaysia)

Problems and Limitations

- Activity data, local emission factors and methodologies appropriate to national circumstances:
 - limited related research activities to support inventory and National Communication preparation
 - lack of certain government policy
 - lack of high-level decision making awareness

Problems and Limitations (cont.)

- Information system and database
- **Experts with capacity built are difficult to maintain**
- Trained officials are difficult to maintain

Beyond NC

- **Enabling Activity Phase II:**
 - mainly supported by GEF
 - focused on Technology need assessment,
 Observation systematic network and emission factors

Next Step

- Information system and database should be established
- Activity data, local emission factors and methodologies appropriate national circumstances should be improved
- Ways must be searched to maintain and enhance local capacities in preparation of inventory and National Communication

Next Step (cont.)

- Establish task forces composed of experts from academia and related official staff to work together in GHGs inventory preparation
- Mobilize the experiences and engagement of related officials to develop information system for activity data and emission factors

Next Step (cont.)

 Government policy framework and highlevel decision making awareness are crucial needed

Suggestion for Regional Cooperation

- Encourage the establishment of data bank and information network on activity data and local/sub, regional emission factors in every sector
- Invited Japanese Government to support the development of local/sub, regional emission factors in every sectors

Suggestion for Regional Cooperation (cont.)

- Call for financial and technical support both through bi- and multilateral cooperation
- Encourage IGES and NIES to be the regional cooperation center
- **■** Welcome more communication

Thank you

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