POSCO International (PI)'s Financial Ties to Tatmadaw

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Government revenue in Myanmar

20,365.5 National currency, billions in 2020

= USD 11.5B

Government revenue of Myanmar increased from 396.34 national currency, billions in 2001 to 20,365.5 national currency, billions in 2020 growing at an average annual rate of 24.62%.

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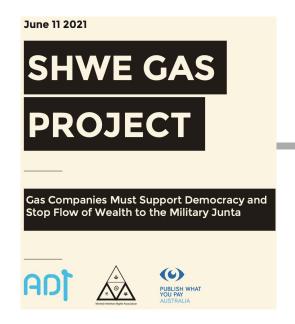


Table 1. Projected (Revenues) Sale Proceeds for Gas in Myanmar for 2021-202241

	2021-2022 Forecast (in USD)
Royalty	225,573,770
Profit/Petroleum Split	737,704,918
State contribution	231,770,492
Income tax from Oil and Gas companies	53,114,754
Total sale proceeds for offshore projects	1,230,163,934
State contribution	139,016,393
Income tax from pipeline companies	175,081,967
Total revenue from pipeline projects	314, 098,361
Total inflows from offshore and pipeline projects	1,544,262,295

Total Sale Proceeds (USD 1.5B) – Tax (USD 53M +175M=228M)= MOGE revenue.

MOGE revenue = USD 1.3B

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MOGE hoards cash most – 90%

MOGE and other state bodies put money in "Other Accounts" -55%

Figure 2. Share of cash to total assets for selected national oil companies (2015 or most recent)

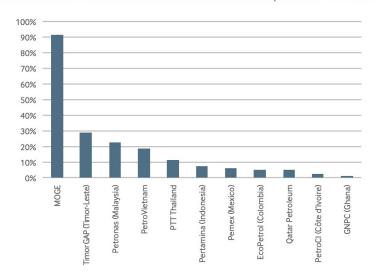
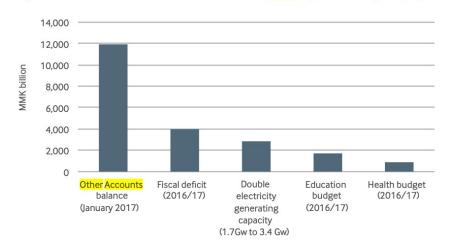




Figure 1. Size of total SEE OA balances relative to other Myanmar budgetary figures

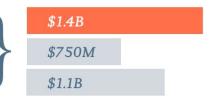


What is "Other Accounts"?

4. Contributions to political patronage

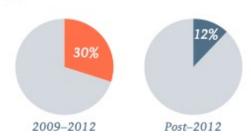
Several interviewees suggested that SEEs are used to spread benefits to a network of private political patrons that support the government.

From April 2013 – March 2014, MOGE deposited more into its "Other Accounts" (\$1.4 billion) than Myanmar spent on health (\$750 million) or education (\$1.1 billion) in FY 2013/14.



GILDED GATEKEEPERS: MYANMAR'S STATE-OWNED OIL, GAS AND MINING ENTERPRISES

Decrease in share of SOE revenues transferred to the government

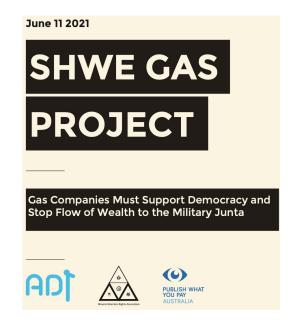


Gilded Gatekeepers:
Myanmar's
State-Owned
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Enterprises
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Less money into gov, more money into "other accounts" after NLD takeover

State owned Enterprises (SOE), such the Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise (MOGE) retained 55% of their 'profits' which were held in the Myanma Economic Bank (MEB), another SOE, in funds called 'Other Accounts'. As of 2016, MOGE's cash in hand "represented more than 3 times revenues and more than 7.5 times expenditures ... MOGE's cash-on-hand also represents the highest share of total assets of any national oil company in the world" and as of March 31, 2018, MOGE's 'Other Accounts' held USD 4.75 billion (see Bauer et al, 'State-owned Economic Enterprise Reform in Myanmar: The Case of Natural Resource Enterprises', Report, Natural Resource Governance Institute, 2018: pg 18.). The absence of transparency means it is unconfirmed, but it is thought that large sums were loaned to military-linked businesses and will never be repaid. Whilst the NLD government ordered that the Other Accounts be closed in 2019, the only civilian government officials that could confirm whether this took place have been detained since the coup.



2019 "Other Accounts" ordered to be closed by NLD-appointed financial minister but after coup, minister detained and replaced by Tatmadaw

MILITARY ACCESS TO GAS SALE PROCEEDS.

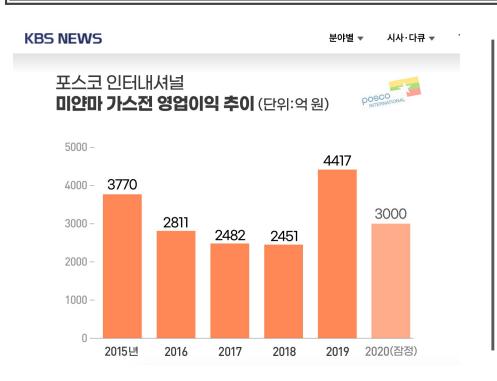
Following the attempted coup, the military is likely to once again use MOGE to misappropriate all payments (gas sales proceeds, pipeline dividends and taxes) to sustain its control of the government apparatus, finance its operations against the local population and to seize portions for private gain. As part of its illegal seizure of the powers of state, the military has appointed new "Ministers." The MOEE Minister appointed by the National League for Democracy (NLD) has been arbitrarily detained by the junta and his replacement was Deputy Minister in 2011, a time when billions in financial payments and proceeds were misappropriated. The mil-

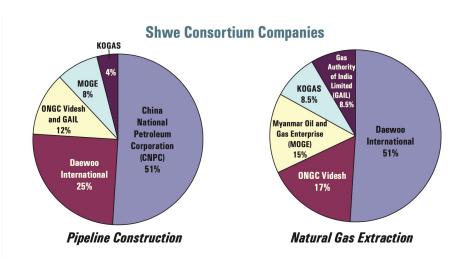
Tatmadaw "exchange rate" manipulation



In simplistic terms, the military regime receives revenue for its natural gas exports in US Dollars. It then exchanges that revenue into its national budget at an exchange rate of Kt 6 to the dollar, rather than the more accurate market rate of Kt 1,000 to the dollar. Based on that model, of the US\$4.83 billion in earnings from the Yadana gas since 2000, the Burmese regime would have included Kt 28.98 billion (or US\$28.98 million) in its national budget instead of Kt 4.83 trillion (or US\$4.83 billion). That leaves approximately Kt 4.80 trillion (or US\$4.80 billion) mysteriously unaccounted for in the national budget. That is, approximately US\$4.80 billion of the US\$4.83 billion of the SPDC's Yadana revenue is not included in the national budget.

PI(51/25%)'s profit from Shwe Gas − USD 200~400 M→ MOGE's profit (15/7.5%) : USD 60~120 M



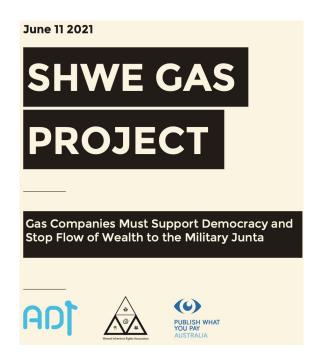


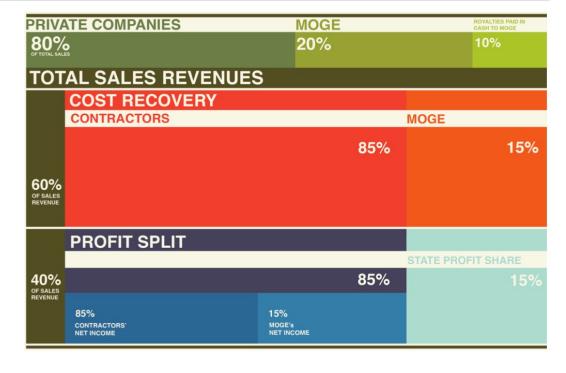
Money that PI pays to government including tax – USD 200 ~400M

to MOGE: USD 170~340M

Table 5. POSCO International Yearly Payment to Myanmar Government⁵⁴

Financial Year	MMK (Myanmar Kyat)	US Dollars
2017-2018	262,057,008,872	198,085,346
2016-2017	282,425,388,990	206,247,774
2015-2016	576,644,680,344	475,097,369
2014-2015	398,179,029,859	386,292,800





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Total and Chevron (Yadana Gas Operator) stops USD 52M Pipeline (350M*15%=52M)

Continues Production payment of USD 175M

Total and Chevron suspend gasfield dividends to Myanmar junta | Financial Times

On Wednesday Total said that, following a shareholder vote earlier this month, the dividends to MGTC, the pipeline company in which MOGE owns a 15 per cent stake, were being suspended.

Total did not say how much it would amount to. A person familiar with the matter said the total dividends from the gas company were worth about \$350m in 2020.

The whole game here is to keep the gas operations running but The announcement did not include a vow to withhold taxes or gas deliveries from the field, worth close to \$175m in 2020, according to people briefed on the decision. Total said it was "maintaining the

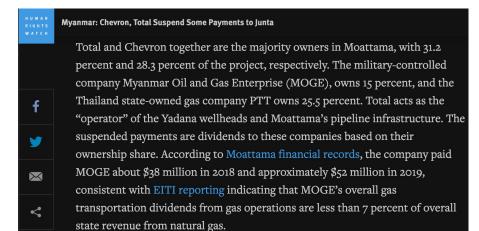




group that campaigns for justice and accountability for the people of Myanmar. The contents of the report are being made public on **the group's website[1]**, access to which was blocked in Myanmar on 1 September by the Ministry of Transport and Communications. According to a spokesman for the ministry, the website spreads "fake news". Justice For Myanmar has responded stating this is a bid to silence critical voices.

The total amount of dividend payments made in this 20-year period to all shareholders was more than 107 billion Myanmar kyat (107,869,519,830) – about 18 billion US dollars according to the official exchange rate. Of this amount, MEHL transferred 95 billion kyat – the equivalent of approximately 16 billion US dollars – to military units.

- Human Rights Watch: "[52M] is only 5% of all state natural gas revenue which is USD 1B/yr"
- Amnesty: MEHL's dividends to military USD 18B/20 yrs
 → USD 0.9B/yr



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Weight of POSCO International's Monetary Contribution

to MOGE: USD170~340M

to Govt (incl. MOGE): USD 200~400M

- 1.7~3.5% of total Myanmar government revenue USD 11.5B in 2020)
- 13~26% of MOGE's all revenue USD 1.3B in 2021
- Assume 70% of MOGE's revenue in "Other Accounts"
- → POSCO Int'l's contribution: USD 119~238M
- MEHL dividends for 20 years USD 18B → average USD 1B
- Military's slush fund = MEHL's dividends USD 1B + MOGE "Other Accounts" USD 0.91B = USD 1.91B
- POSCO Int'I's contribution to Military's slush fund: 6~12%