

RICE RESIDUES BURNING IN VIETNAM AND POSSIBLE TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS

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Haze and biomass burning in Asia - a systems perspective to reveal opportunities with benefits for long-term transformations

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Research

- 1. Energy economics and policy
- 2. Biomass & waste to energy
- 3. Smart grid optimization
- 4. Materials for energy



Collaboration

Core members: WWF, GreenID, CleanED, CEWAREC, Live & Learn



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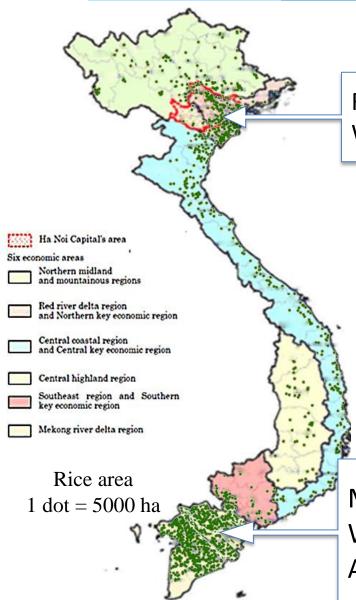








Rice production of Vietnam



Red River Delta: 18%, 2 seasons: Winter-Spring and Autumn-Winter

5th biggest rice exporter in the world

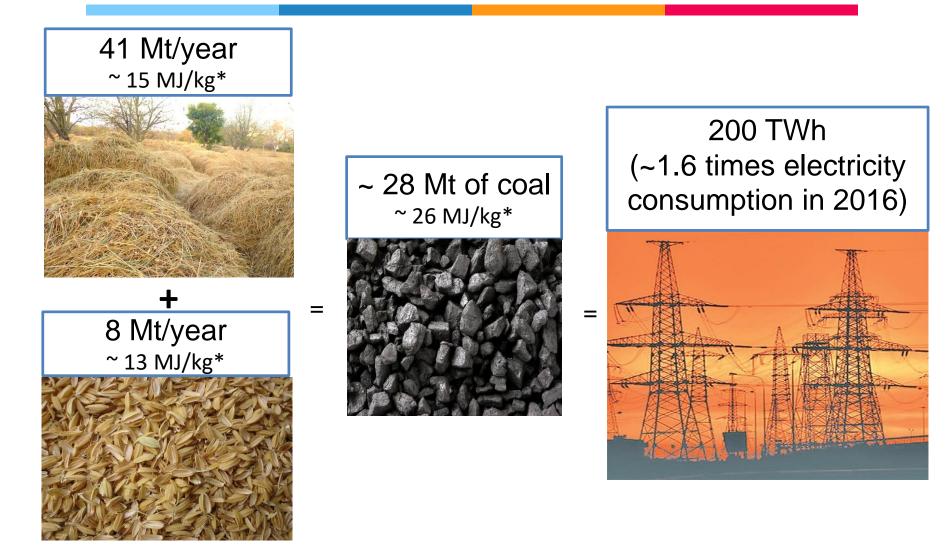
Annual paddy production over the last 5 years: ~ 41 Mt

Mekong River Delta: 52%, 3 seasons: Winter-Spring, Summer-Autumn and Autumn-Winter

Rice residues production in Vietnam

	Rice straw (Mt)			Rice husk (Mt)		
Region	Winter-	Summer-	Autumn-	Winter-	Summer-	Autumn-
	Spring	Autumn	Winter	Spring	Autumn	Winter
Red River Delta	3.58	-	3.00	0.72	-	0.60
Northern Midlands	1.45	-	1.94	0.29	-	0.39
and Mountains						
North Central and	3.53	1.86	1.49	0.71	0.37	0.30
Central Coast						
Mekong River Delta	9.99	12.68	1.55	2.00	2.54	0.31
Sub-total	18.55	14.54	7.98	3.72	2.91	1.60
Total	41.07			8.23		

Rice residues potential



* Our own measurements in the laboratory

Rice straw usage

Non-energy use (~5%)	Mushroom cultivation	
	Cattle feeding	
	Incorporation to soil etc.	
Energy use (~15%)	Direct burning in traditional cookstoves	
Open field burning (~80%)	For disposal	

Rice husk usage

Non-energy use (~15%)	Soil amendment		
	Livestock		
	Sorbent & building material, etc.		
Energy use (~20%)	Direct burning in traditional cookstoves, brick/ceramic kilns		
Open field burning (~35%)	For disposal		
Another disposal ways (35%) (left on the field, dump into the canals (35%)			

Burning of rice residues in Vietnam



http://phapluatdansinh.phapluatxahoi.vn/



http://tinmoitruong.vn/



http://hoabinhxanh.vn/



http://Samtrix.vn/

Quantity of rice residues burned

Region	Rice straw (Mt)	Rice husk (Mt)
Red River Delta	5.92	0.99
Northern Midlands and Mountains	3.14	0.48
North Central and Central Coast	5.50	0.62
Mekong River Delta	21.80	2.42
Total	36.36*	4.51*

*Including open field burning for disposal and direct burning in traditional cookstoves, brick/creamic kilns

The quantity burned varies depending on the location: rural areas – suburban areas, and the season: winter-spring -- autumn-winter are not considered

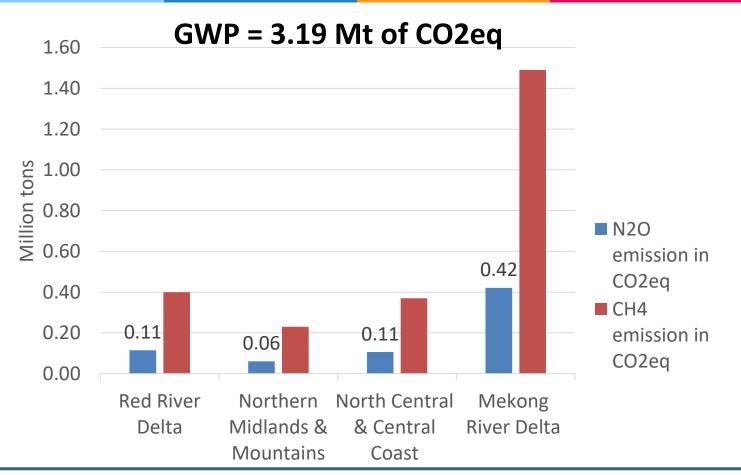
Impacts of rice residues burning

GHG emission

Soil quality & local environment

People's health

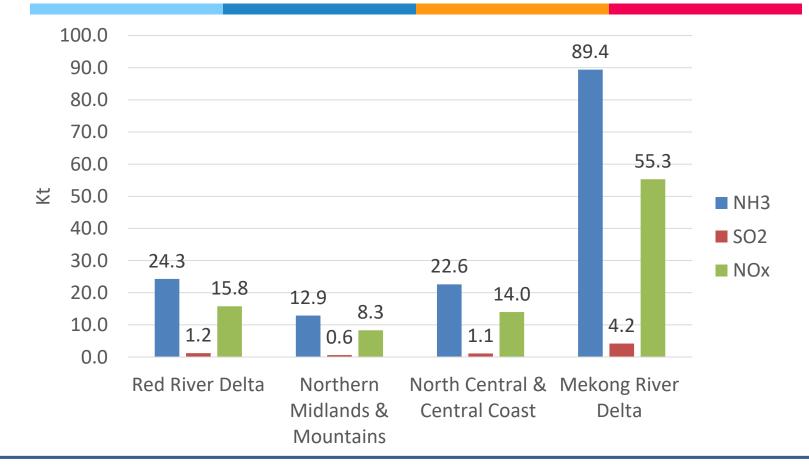
Emission from rice residues burning



Open field burning of rice straw

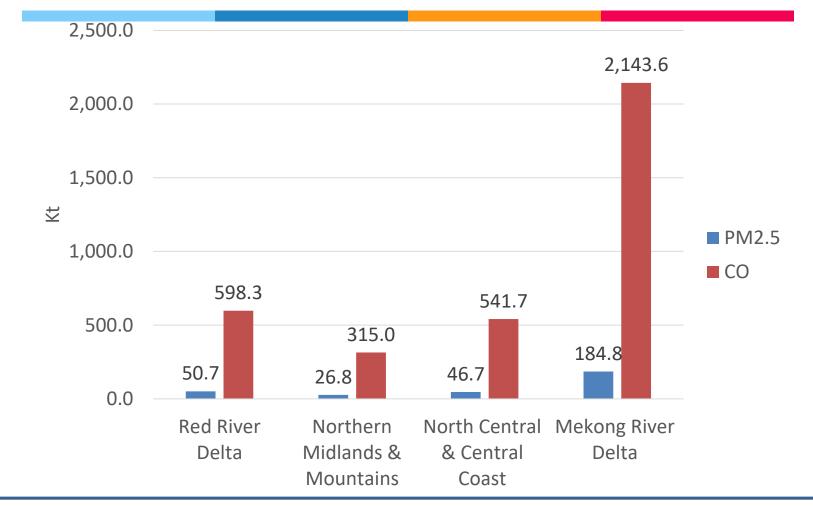
(M. D. Nguyen 2012; Arai et al. 2015; Cuong, Le, and Hoang 2016; Le, Nguyen, and Le, n.d.; H. V. Nguyen et al. 2016; Yu, Lin, and Chang 2012)
Burning of rice husk in brick/ceramic kilns/traditional cookstoves (Ahiduzzaman 2007; Irfan et al. 2014; Ichikawa and Naito 2017; Wang et al. 2012)

Emission from rice residues burning



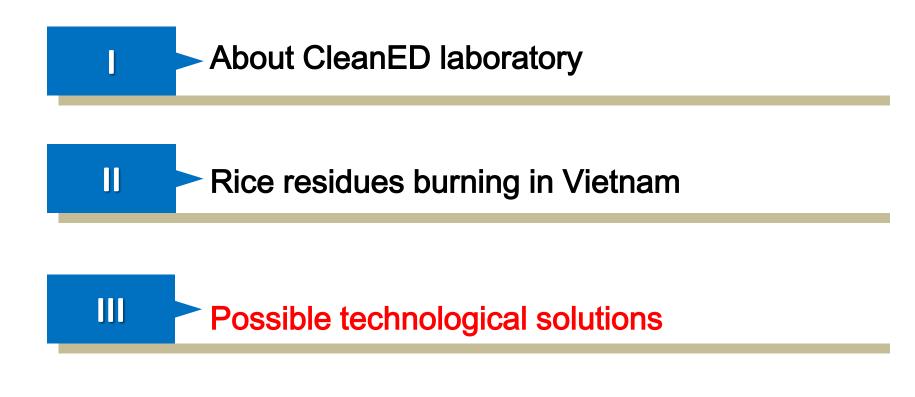
Increase of soil temperature, decrease of microorganisms (Son Tung, Xuan Cu, and Xuan Hai 2014) Deprivation of organic matters, increase of pH in the soil (Mandal et al. 2004)

Emission from rice residues burning



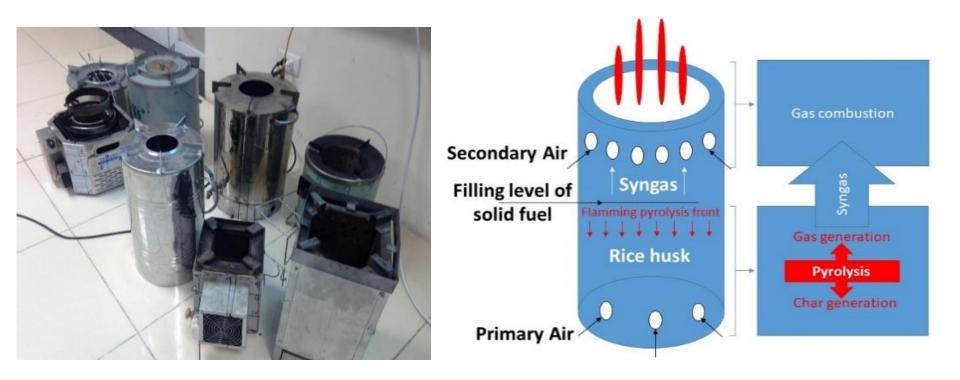
Aggravation of respiratory, eye and skin diseases (Kumar, Kumar, and Joshi 2015, Hong Nam Nguyen et al. 2016 **Vascular diseases** (Torigoe et al. 2000; Gadde et al. 2009, Co et al. 2014)

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Clean cook stoves in Vietnam



- «Top-lit updraft» principle
- Better performance than traditional stoves theoretically
- Product quality and efficiency vary greatly by design

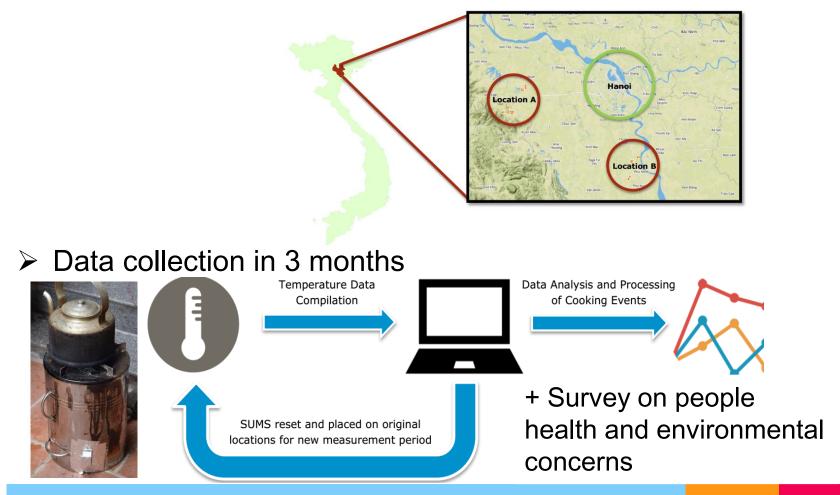


Clean cook stoves in Vietnam: End-user adoption study Evaluation of existing designs in Vietnam

- Disseminate appropriate designs

Clean cook stoves in Vietnam

- Performance test of 09 existing stove designs (Global alliance of Clean cookstove protocol)
- Introduction of 2 stoves in 60 households in 7 villages

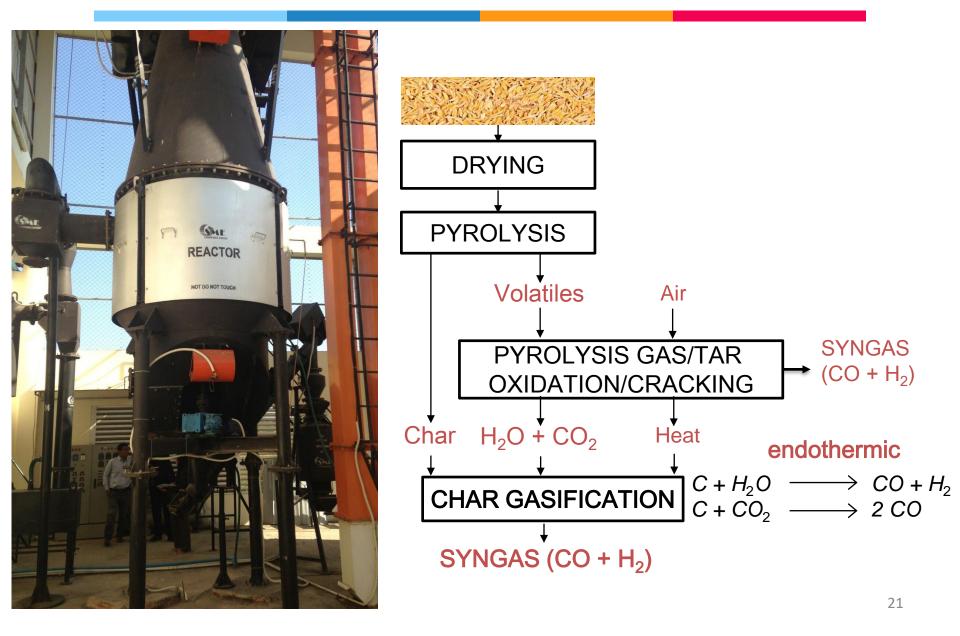


Clean cook stoves in Vietnam

- Critical review of available cookstove technologies in Vietnam
- Adoption of new technology occurred (0.7 1 time/day for new device)

Nguyen Hong Nam & SNV Netherlands, Market Acceleration of Advanced Clean Cook Stoves in the Greater Mekong Sub-Region, End User Adoption Study, Project report 2016.

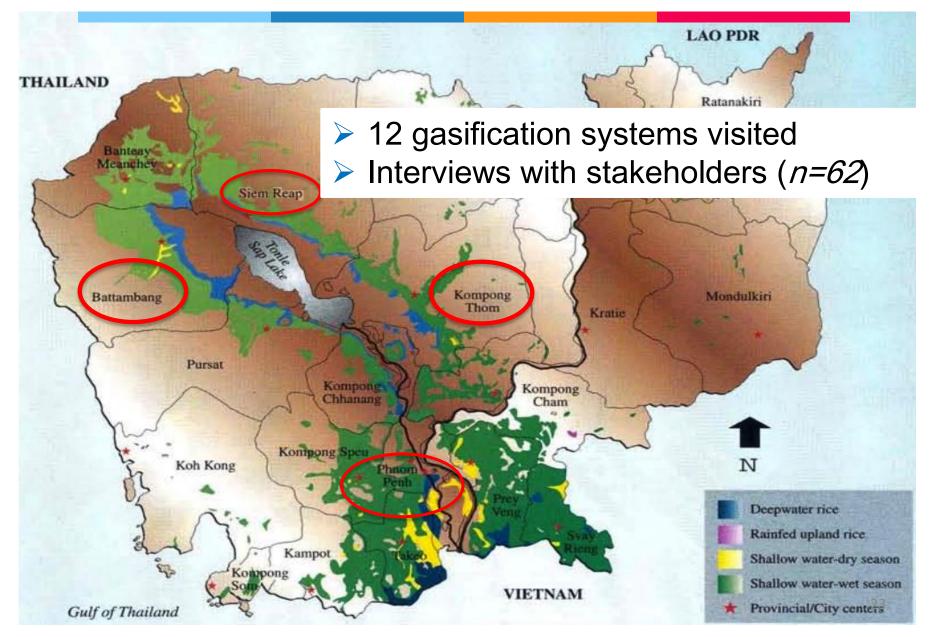
Biomass gasification systems



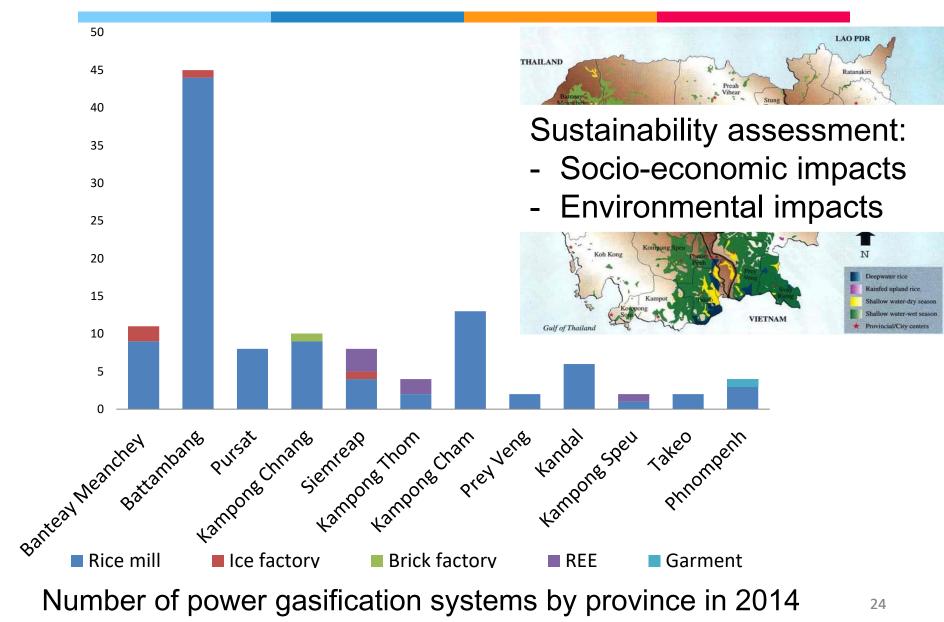


Critical look of biomass gasification system – Cambodia

Biomass gasification in Cambodia



Biomass gasification in Cambodia



Socio-economic impacts

Job creation:
2 full-time jobs for a 150kW_e system
Diesel substitution:



Dual engine 60-80%



Gas engine 100%

Technology transfers:



Imported products (Ankur manufacturer) Workshops, trainings provided by SME company



Local products No workshops, no trainings

New rice husk market creation: Rice husk: (>50% sold out)

Environmental impacts

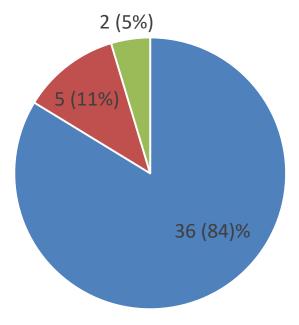


Yam Chan rice mill Deum Pou village



Deum Pou village

Number of gasifiers stopped until 2014



- Management of waste issues
- No milling
- Ugrade system

Gasification system in Cambodia

- Current technology works, but not sustainable
- Technological improvement needed

Biomass gasification research

Fundamental research to study the behaviours of rice residues during gasification, gasification of rice husk and rice straw pellets, etc.

¹ Hong Nam Nguyen, Minh Ha Duong, Laurent Van de Steene, "A critical look at rice husk gasification in Cambodia: Technology and Sustainability", Journal of Science and Technology 53 (3A), 2015

² Hong Nam Nguyen, Laurent Van de Steene, Minh Ha Duong, "Rice husk gasification technology: From industry to laboratory", IOP Conf. Series: Earth and Environmental Science 159 (2018) 012033, DOI:10.1088/1755-1315/159/1/012033,

³ Hong Nam Nguyen, Laurent Van de Steene, "Kinetics of rice husk char gasification in an H_2O or a CO_2 atmosphere", Energy Sources, Part A: Recovery, Utilization, and Environmental Effects, DOI:10.1080/15567036.2018.1486900

Biomass gasification research

> Applied research: setup a pilot system of pelletizer + gasifier for electricity production



Pelletizer, 40 kg/h (Nova-Pellet brand)

Gasifier, 20 kW_e (All Power Lab brand)

Conclusion and perspective

- Rice residues in Vietnam: great potential, but being wasted by burning
- Possible technological solutions: clean cook stoves, biomass gasification systems
- Possible research collaborations:
- Clean cook stoves
- Gasification technologies
- Assessment of clean >< traditional technologies (sustainability, pollutant emissions, people's health, etc.)



Thank you for your attention!

