POSITIONING THE SALWEEIN IN MYANMAR RIVER POLITICS

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My Choice

- Study the history of Salween and update with current situation enriched by scientific studies
- Learning from other river systems
- Regulations and realities of Water Related Conflicts
- Myanmar River Politics
- My Draft Policy and Roadmap for a better Salween System
Mad Man's Mission of Mine


2. 2017 – Partner with Myanmar, Thai and Chinese Professionals/Researchers

3. 2017 – Develop tools for Advocacy

4. 2017 – Advocate NWRC and State Governments (Shan, Kayah, Kayin and Mon)
Mad Man's Mission of Mine (2018)

- 5. Advocate Government Representatives from Myanmar, Thailand and China
- 6. Advocacy meetings with Armed Groups
- 7. Dialogue with developers and Business for Peace Groups
- 8. Building Partnership with Global Organizations and Interested Global Citizens
Mad Man's Mission of Mine (2019)

- 8. Building Partnership with Global Organizations and Interested Global Citizens
- 9. Implement Sustainable Salween System

(A NINE STEP ROAD MAP FOR SSS)
(MY ROADMAP STOP AT STEP 4)
TOOLS FOR ADVOCACY

- Reports from Researchers/ Professionals
- Reports and Documents from Basin Organizations and Ethnic Groups
- A Draft Policy on Salween
- A Nine Step Road Map for SSS
MY SHARED IDEA IN THIS BOOK

- FIVE SCENARIOS
- 1. Unregulated Development and Fragmented Sovereignty
- 2. Shared Ownership Symbolizing Sovereignty under a Federal System
- 3. Diverse Actors' influence over the Salween
- 4. A Nu Jiang – Salween River Commission
- 5. The Nu Jiang – Salween River as the World Heritage
MY DOWNSIZED ROAD MAP

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- Step 1. Develop a National Policy for the Salween River in Myanmar
- Step 2. Create a Plan for Collaboration
- Step 3. Peaceful Co-existence on the Salween River
- Step 4. A Salween Development Project
- Step 5. The Nu Jiang – Salween River as a World Heritage
A MAD MAN'S QUESTION

- DO WE CHANGE FIRST?
- (OR)
- WAIT FOR THE CLIMATE CHANGE FORCING US TO CHANGE?