

## **Press Release**

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## MPRL E&P holds block IOR-6 ESIA Yangon Disclosure Workshop

**4<sup>th</sup> March 2016, YANGON** – MPRL E&P Pte Ltd. ("MPRL E&P"), an independent E&P company led by Myanmar nationals operating in both onshore and offshore Myanmar, held a disclosure workshop for Block IOR-6 today from 09:00 am to 12:00 (noon) at Vantage Tower, Pyay road.

Along with the Myanmar Oil & Gas Enterprise (MOGE) and the Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry (MOECAF), the following organizations (in alphabetical order) participated and shared their insights, concerns and feedback at the disclosure workshop:

- Ayeyarwaddy Social Development Association
- Business and Human Rights Resource Centre
- Community Development Association
- EarthRights International
- Fauna & Flora International (Myanmar Programme)
- Myanmar Alliance for Transparency and Accountability (MATA)
- Myanmar Centre for Responsible Business (MCRB)
- Myanmar Township Association Myanaung (Yangon Branch)
- Natural Resource Governance Institute (NRGI)
- Promotion of Indigenous and Nature Together (POINT)
- Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI)

Public participation and stakeholder engagement is an important element of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) process. The core objectives of the disclosure workshop are to initiate communication with secondary stakeholders and provide an overview of Block IOR-6 ESIA Report process, and in particular, an update of the proposed mitigation plans associated with intended seismic and work over activities. In addition, to share with participants MPRL E&P's grievance system and disclosure webpage to access and comment on consultation and disclosure results.

MPRL E&P Pte Ltd. was awarded the Exploration Block IOR-6 (a.k.a Myanaung) in October 2014 to operate under an Improved Petroleum Recovery (IPR) Contract.





The Workshop was successfully concluded at 12:00 pm with key concerns and questions raised by the participants in particular civil society organizations representative of the Myanaung area. The information received has provided MPRL E&P with the confidence and knowledge to continue engagement with primary and secondary stakeholders on sensitive issues.

To further promote transparency of this process, MPRL E&P's disclosure page on the website will be updated to include concerns and feedback conveyed by the organizations that attended today's workshop.

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