

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT SUPPORTS THE GREEN CITY PROJECT IN MANDALAY, MYANMAR**

SAFEGE, SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT's engineering subsidiary, has been selected to support the Green City project for Myanmar's second largest city, Mandalay. SAFEGE will be providing technical assistance to the Mandalay City Development Committee (MCDC)<sup>1</sup>, the authority tasked with managing urban services in the city of 1,250,000 people. The contract, financed by a FASEP<sup>2</sup>, will play a pivotal part in the project initiated by Mandalay Municipality.

Faced with rapid population growth and a fast-growing tourist sector, the city of Mandalay is pursuing a policy of resource-efficient development embodied by its "Green City Development Plan".

Bringing its expertise in green and smart city, SAFEGE will be conducting the feasibility and optimisation studies and formulating recommendations for improving access to clean water, enhancing the management of waste, expanding public transport services and optimising energy efficiency and the environmental performance of local services.

The contract ties in with the VIVAPOLIS initiative, whose aim is to draw on the know-how of French companies to support Mandalay and other cities worldwide in building a new, more resource-efficient model of development. It underlines SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT's commitment to apply its multidisciplinary know-how in the construction of urban areas which offer a balance between growth and respect for resources.

The commission sees SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT continuing its growth in Asia, where for over three decades now it has been working in India but also in China through water services management contracts in major cities like Chongqing and Qingdao or through waste services management contracts in Hong Kong and Macau. In South-East Asia, it has been working for over two decades now with the Phnom Penh Water Supply Authority (PPWSA) to implement its "Clean Water for All" project.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The Mandalay City Development Committee (MCDC) is tasked with managing water and wastewater services for Mandalay as well as housing, transport, bridges and roads, waste, parks, gardens, and urban planning for the city's six townships, which together are home to 1,250,000 people.

<sup>2</sup> The FASEP (Fonds d'études et d'Aide au Secteur Privé) is the French Ministry of Economy and Finance instrument for funding and supporting developing-country infrastructure projects in the transport, water, waste and energy sectors. Assistance is provided by French experts and is targeted at public entities who are beneficiaries of funding for a given project.

<sup>3</sup> The Clean Water for All project for the city of Phnom Penh in Cambodia is also supported by FASEP. SAFEGE has been providing ongoing support to PPWSA for over 20 years now in order to improve and expand its water infrastructure and has played a major part in making the Authority the world-class water company that it is today.

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