

Intro

Env^t Impact Assessment

defⁿ (Wiki): UNEP defines EIA as ~~the~~ an assessment of the +ve and -ve impact that a proposed project may have on the env^t consisting of env^t

Social & economic costs.

Assesⁿ for
Int^l Impact Asses^t
(UNEP)

the process of identifying, predicting, evaluating and mitigating the biophysical, social and other relevant effects of development proposals prior to decisions being taken and commitments made.

- EIAs make policy makers justify their decisions in light of detailed env^t studies and public comments on the potential impacts of the proposal.
- Nat. Env^t Policy Act (NEPA) was enacted in 1970 — basis of EIA.
(of USA)

Summary Notes

Process: 2 Stages before full scale EIA Commences — a) Screening ✓
b) Preliminary assess^t

These are regulatory in nature. These 2 tiers of assessment should be applied to the project before EIA.

EIA, there is of 2 types

- Rapid EIA (incorporate data from 1 season (but not monsoon))
- Comprehensive EIA (incorporate data from all 4 seasons)