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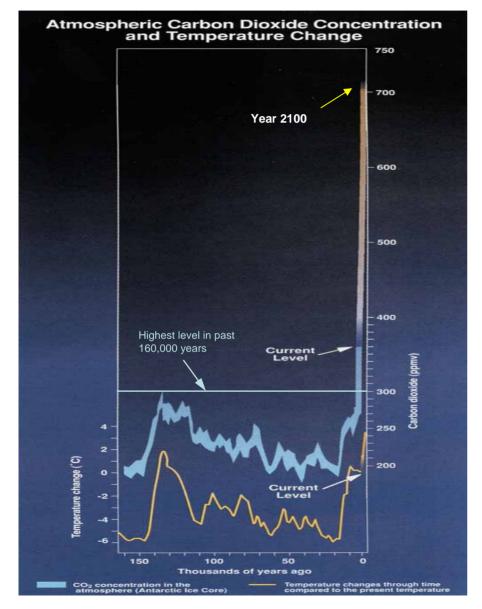
"Setting the Stage"

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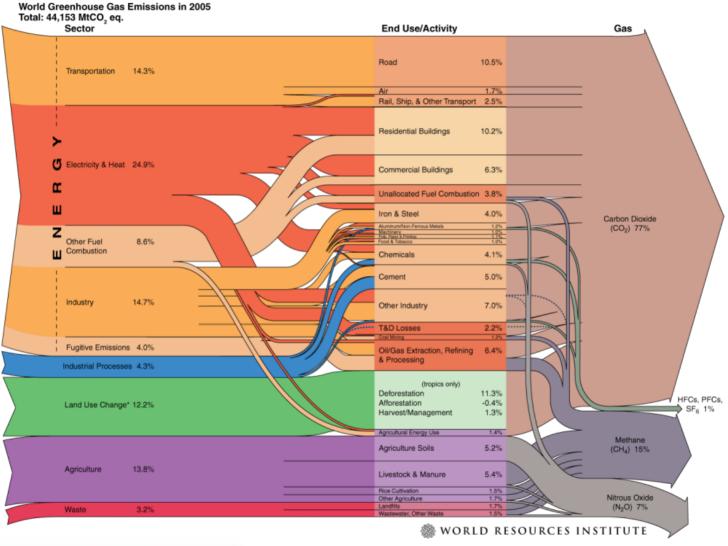
ADB



- Highest CO2 levels now in over 160,000 years
- Under "business as usual", GHG's projected to increase exponentially over next 50-100 years
- It is the correlation driving change
 - CO2 & temperature change
 - Human contribution.









The Economics of Climate Change



- Climate Change is happening in South East Asia.
- SE Asia = 653 million people
- SE Asia = 173, 251 km of coastline
- Heavily reliant on Agriculture: (i) 43% of 2004
 employment; (ii) 11% of GDP
- High susceptibility to drought, flood, typhoon
- World's largest provider of forest products

The Impacts of Climate Change (SEA) ADB



- Mean temperature rise 0.1- 0.3 Degrees Celsius per decade from 1951 - 2000
- Sea level increases 1-3 mm per year
- Decreased rainfall trend
- Moe increased drought, flood, storm.
- High susceptibility to drought, flood, typhoon
- Phil Storm numbers 20 between 1960-69 & 120 b/w
 2000 2008.

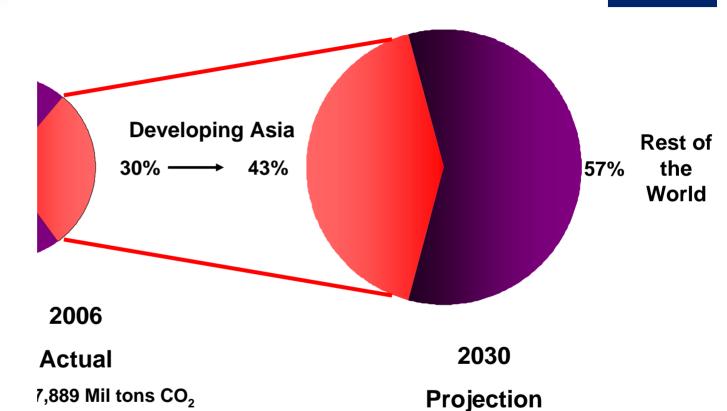
The Impacts of Climate Change (2)



- Predicted changes for South East Asia include:-
 - Annual mean temperature rise 4.8 Celcius by 2100;
 - Mean sea level rise of 70 cm by 2100;
 - Thailand, Indonesia, Vietnam, dryer over next 2-3 decades;
 - Rice yield potentail will decline by up to 50% by 2100;
 - Potential economic cost 6.7% of GDP by 2100 (x2 world average).

sia's Share in Global C02 from lergy Consumption







Source: ADB, data from IEA World Energy Outlook 2008

Total = 40,553 Mil tons CO_2

