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## ACRONYMS

CECoD	Center for Environment and Community Development
DoNRE	Department of Natural Resources and Environment of Viet Nam
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
IZ	Industrial zones
KH-UBND	Plan of the Peoples' Committee
ND-CP	Decree of the Government
QĐ-TTg	Decision of the Prime Minister
QĐ-UBND	Decision - Peoples' Committee
SAR	Search and Rescue
TT-BCT	Circular of the Ministry of Finance
UBND-VP3	Peoples' Committee - Office No. 3
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization

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# INTRODUCTION

Capacity building is one of the pillar activities of the project “Implementation of Eco – industrial park initiative for sustainable industrial zone in Vietnam”. In August 2018, UNIDO signed a contract with the CECOD, to implement the assignment “Capacity building in communities to respond to environmental accidents or disasters from industrial zones” with focus on raising awareness and strengthening capacity of Vietnamese communities. This assignment has three main components:

- 1) Review and analyze international and domestic experience on environmental accidents;
- 2) Assess capacity building needs and set-up trainings; and,
- 3) Knowledge dissemination.

In conjunction with component 1, this report’s general objective is to provide a comprehensive review of international and national experiences on prevention, preparedness and response to environmental accidents to ensure that all stakeholders are able to respond in a timely and effective manner.

The objective of this report is to review Vietnamese policy documents regarding the rights and tasks of communities in preventing and responding to environmental accidents/ disasters, as well as environmental protection. Relevant guidelines will be developed for training programs for selected target groups (under component 2).

This report will discuss:

- Mechanisms for communities to participate in decision-making regarding environmental protection in industrial zones (IZ);
- The role of communities to monitor environmental impacts and respond to accidents and disasters (including the roles of the different stakeholders); and,
- The role of communities in preventative activities to respond to accidents and disasters (including the roles of stakeholders).

The contents of this report are presented by the order from law- decree - Prime Minister Decision and circular, and data issued from the past to present.

# 1. THE MECHANISMS FOR COMMUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN DECISIONS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN INDUSTRIAL ZONES

## 1.1. Law on Chemicals (2007, integrated in 2018)

### **Article 57. Rights and obligations of organizations and individuals in the protection of the environment and safety for the community**

Clause 1: Organizations and individuals in localities where chemical facilities exist have the following rights:

- d) To give opinions on environmental protection measures and chemical accident prevention and response plans of investment projects on the building of hazardous chemical production or storage establishments in their localities.

## 1.2. Law on Environmental Protection (2014)

### **Article 21. Consultation to be required in the process of the strategic environment assessment**

Clause 2: Project owners are obliged to consult with regulatory agencies, organizations and communities directly impacted by the project.

Clause 3: Projects that do not require the consultation include:

- Those in conformity with the planning for concentrated manufacturing, trading and service provision areas under the approval of the report on environmental impact assessment (EIA) at the infrastructural construction stage for the project.

### **Article 44. Responsibilities and rights of Vietnam Fatherland Front**

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