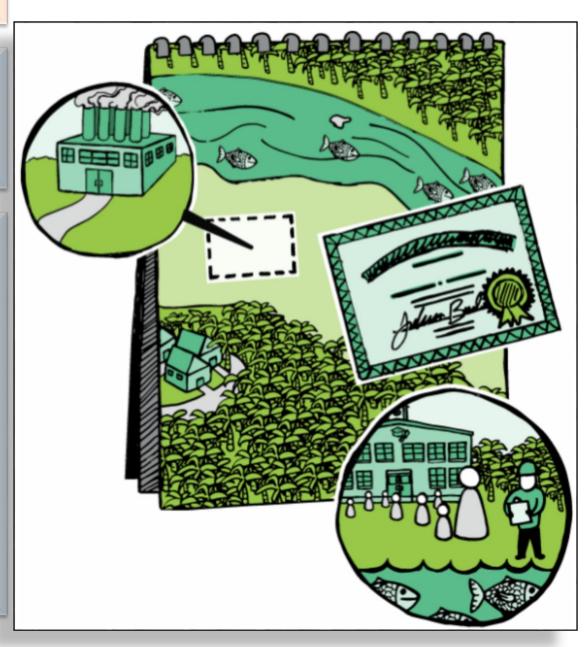
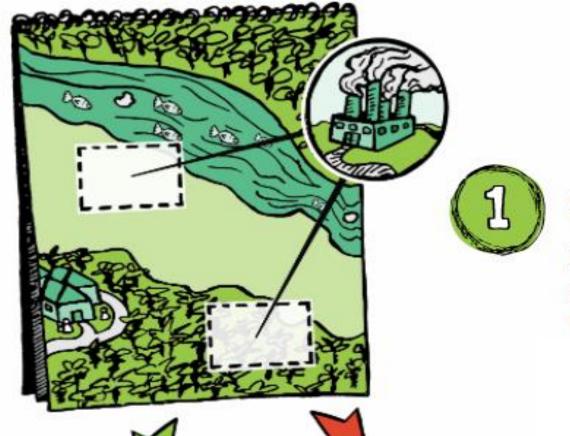
EIA: Essentials

Yes, development can be <u>sustainable</u>. With careful <u>analysis and planning</u>, it can be beneficial to the health, heritage and livelihoods of communities without destroying the natural environment.

- 1) Environmental Impact Assessment is much more than a process for obtaining an **environmental permit or licence**.
- 2) It aims to <u>minimize</u>, <u>avoid or offset the environmental and</u> <u>social impacts</u> of a proposed development project.
- 3) If **done properly**, it can even promote sustainability in the area where the project is being implemented.
- **Environmental sustainability** is responsibly interacting with the planet to maintain natural resources and avoid jeopardizing the ability for future generations to meet their needs.





Screening

Determines whether the environmental and social impacts of a proposed development project would be significant enough to develop an EIA.



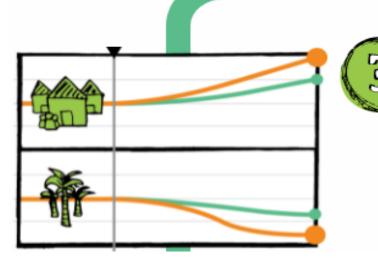




Scoping

Establish the boundaries of the EIA, set the basis of the analyses that will be conducted at each stage, describe the project alternatives and consult the affected public.





Impact Assessment & Mitigation

Evaluate the socioeconomic and environmental impacts of the planned project and its alternatives, and then identify the mitigation measures to reduce those impacts.

Impact Management

Prepare the plans required for addressing mitigation measures and other project risks, such as technological failures and natural disasters.





The EIA Report

Pull together all the research and work done during the previous steps into a comprehensive, structured document, ensuring that the EIA report contains all the key components.

Review & Licensing

Designated authorities review the EIA report to determine if the planned project will get a license or if it requires amendments.





Monitoring

Ensure that the mitigation measures, priorities listed in the EMP, and contingency plans are properly implemented and effectively address the project's impacts.

