


INTEGRATION OF LEARNINGS: ENVIRONMENT

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TOPICS

1. The Role of Various Stakeholders in Environmental Governance
2. Governance of the Commons: Earth, Water, and Air
3. Environmental Governance: Local, National, and Global Levels
4. Curriculum Development in Environmental Governance

THE ROLE OF VARIOUS STAKEHOLDERS IN ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE

We learned that...

1. Environmental protection is everybody's business; therefore, various stakeholders should share one vision
2. Roles of Stakeholders:
 - ✓ GOVERNMENT – policy-maker and standard setting
 - ✓ CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS – pressure actors
 - ✓ ACADEME/SCIENCE – source of objective, credible, and reliable information as basis for sound environmental policy
 - ✓ There are possibilities and success for INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE

THE ROLE OF VARIOUS STAKEHOLDERS IN ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE-2

3. We need to:

- ✓ Have more ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY CHAMPIONS (Example: Champion of the Earth)
- ✓ Find the BEST INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT for effective environmental governance (Example: National Environmental Committee, Department/Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, or Environmental Protection Agency)
- ✓ Document or experience good/best environmental practices – “TOKYO EFFECT”
- ✓ Pay the price for good environmental housekeeping (Example: ECO-TAX in forest conservation, etc.)

GOVERNANCE OF THE COMMONS: EARTH, WATER, AND AIR

We learned that...

1. People have the RIGHT TO INFORMATION and PARTICIPATION in policymaking concerning the use of water
2. Two best ways to govern island communities are:
 - a. MULTI-SECTORAL community-based organizations
 - b. CO-MANAGEMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE: LOCAL, NATIONAL, & GLOBAL LEVELS

We learned that...

1. NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY – hinders effective environmental governance at the ASEAN
 - a. Fourth Pillar on Environment should be added in the ASEAN Community Building (Environment should not be subsumed under the Third Pillar's "Socio-Cultural Community")
 - b. Legal framework on Environmental Governance through the new ASEAN Charter

2. SELECTIVE GRADUAL APPROACH IN NUCLEAR BUILDING REGIME AT ASEAN - the best way to nurture trust, communication, and reciprocity rather than a comprehensive and full-blown legal regime.

ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE: LOCAL, NATIONAL, & GLOBAL LEVELS-2

3. LOW COST and EFFICIENT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT can be achieved through a combination of:
 - a. strong political will of leaders
 - b. participatory management
 - c. community mobilization
 - d. low-cost local technology

4. ACADEME - PARTNER of local governments to promote local sustainable development. The Association of Schools of Public Administration in the Philippines (ASPAP) promote this partnership through:
 - a. documentation of best practices of local governments
 - b. assisting local governments in undertaking development projects
 - c. capacity building
 - d. provision of technical expertise
 - e. strengthening of curriculum on local governance

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT IN ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE

We agreed that...

1. There are imperatives for a graduate program on Environmental Governance
2. A curriculum on Environmental Governance, subject to refinement, may include courses on: Ecology, Society and Culture, Environmental Ethics, Environmental Movement and Politics, Environmental Law, Governance, Environmental Economics, Policy Analysis and Advocacy, and Environmental Management Techniques

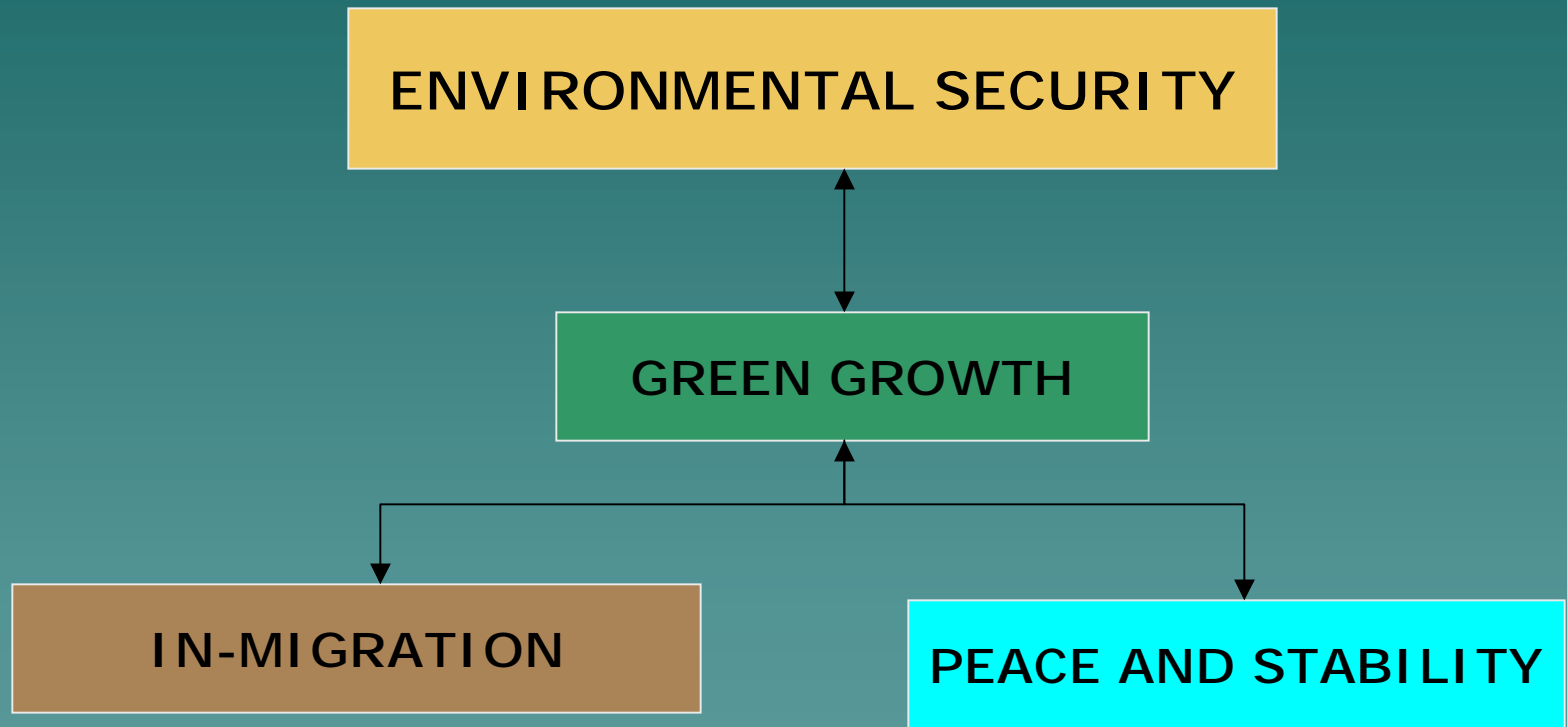
MARCHING ORDERS

“Let every individual and institution now think and act as a responsible trustee of Earth, seeking choices in ecology, economics and ethics that will provide a sustainable future, eliminate pollution, poverty and violence, awaken the wonder of life, and foster peaceful progress in the human adventure.”

John McConnell

Founder of International Earth Day

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH

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