



# Yangon Intercity Transport Industry

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## Abbreviations

- AIPT Alone International Port Terminal
- AWPT Asia World Port Terminal
- BSW Bo Aungkyaw Street Wharves
- DWT Deadweight Tonnage
- FEU Forty foot container
- JICA Japan International Cooperation Agency
- MEC Myanmar Economic Corporation
- MIP Myanmar Industrial Port
- MIPL Myanmar Integrated Port Limited Terminal
- MITT Myanmar International Terminal Thilawa
- MOC Ministry of Construction
- RTAD Road Transport Administration Department
- SEZ Special Economic Zone
- SPW Sule Port Wharves
- TEU Twenty foot container
- YEX Yangon Elevated Expressway

## Units of Measurement

- 1 gallon (US) = 4 litres
- 1 tonne = 1,000 kilograms
- 1 tonne = 600 viss
- 1 viss = 1.6 kilograms
- 1 mile = 1.6 kilometre

## Exchange Rate

- 1 USD = 1,320 MMK (October, 2017)
- 1 USD = 1,320 MMK (Feb 2018)
- 1 USD = 1,347 MMK (May 2018)
- 1 USD = 1,473 MMK (August 2018)
- 1 USD = 1,570 MMK (November 2018)

## Abstract

Starting from the 1990s, Myanmar authorities introduced industrial zones in order to encourage private sector participation in manufacturing and industrial clusters so as to develop industries of manufacturing operations in major cities. Yangon Region is the strategic location of industrial production in Myanmar, adjoining numbers of active industrial zones. The study has observed the transport rates of containers (i.e. TEU & FEU) operating from ports to industrial zones. The study revealed the upward and downward trends of charges along with the seasonality fluctuations, issues and Government's regulations of the Yangon Intercity Transport Industry in 2018-19.

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## (February 2018 Survey)

### Key Findings

- The transport rates for transporting from ports to industrial zones in Yangon peaked. Due to the increased in fuel costs, road tolls and truck spare parts the transport rates within Yangon were higher.
- The road toll fees levied in five townships in the Yangon Region was halted starting from the first week of November 2018.
- An issue occurred in Yangon Intercity Transport which led a protest along the Strand Road.
- Yangon Elevated Expressway (YEX) Project and Outer Ring Road Project will be built under a Private-Public-Partnership (PPP) System.
- The Road Transport Administration Department (RTAD) has stipulated some regulations for trucks to be able to pass through the Yangon intercity.
- Dala Bridge is intended to be completed by 2021.
- The construction of No.3 Thanlyin Bridge was expected to finish by 2023.