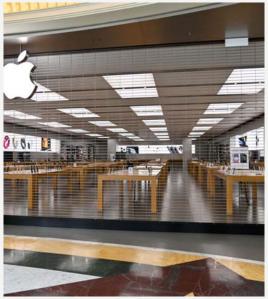


# IMPACT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON ASEAN ENERGY SECTOR

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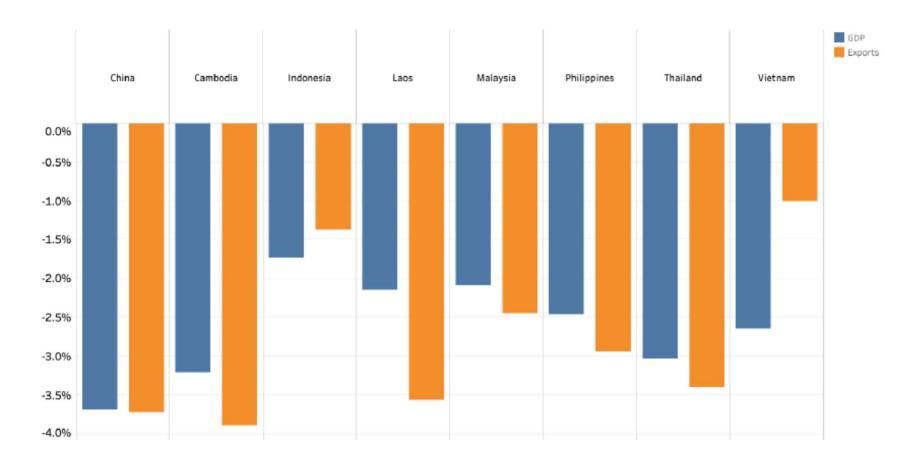
- Containment measures
   (lockdown) to prevent the
   spread of the disease have
   pushed global economy into
   recession.
- Reduction in energy consumption by suppressed manufacturing and user demand







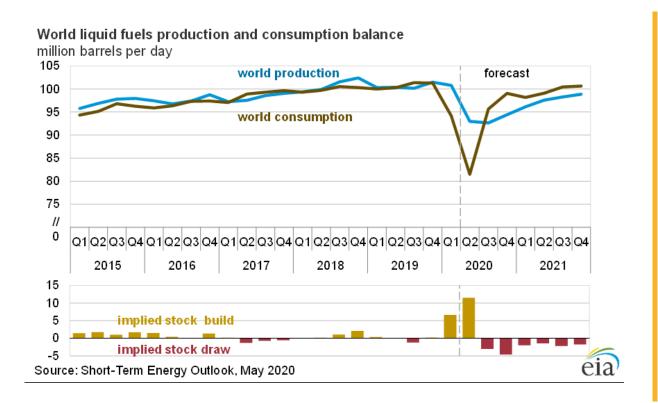




GDP and export implications of global pandemic scenario for EAP countries (% deviation from the benchmark)
[Source::Envisage simulations in World Bank Policy Research Working Paper, April 2020]

### **KEY IMPACT**

• The dramatic fall on oil consumption leading to a drastic drop of crude oil price



-50% Road transport

-29 M Barrels a day (in April) and-9.3 M Barrels a day this yearGlobal oil demand

Source: IEA, April 2020

#### **KEY IMPACT**

- Global electricity demand decreased by 2.5% in the first quarter of 2020 after less than a month lockdown
- More impact for countries with strict measures and those where services make up a larger part of the economy.
- Digitalization was unexpectedly triggered to help the global community keep going and stay safe. Also likely to become a new normal in our lives.





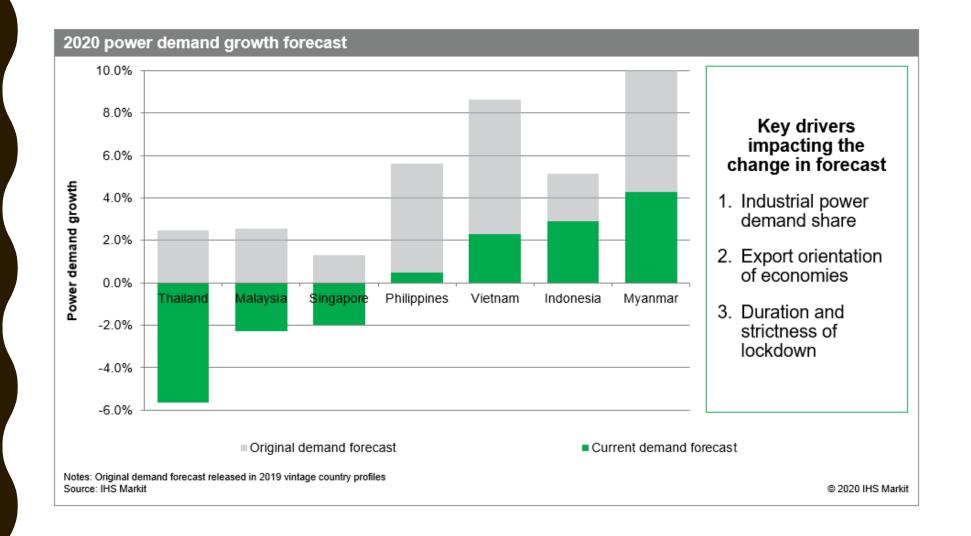
# IMPACT ON ASEAN ENERGY SECTOR

• The lockdowns have dramatic impact on power demand across the region.

Country	Fall in weekday power demand	Number of days locked down (start date, end date*)	Estimated decline during lockdown	Estimated decline vs 2019 annual power demand
Philippines	23%	46 (16 March 2020, 30 April 2020)	2.7 TWh	2.6%
Malaysia	26%	56 (18 March 2020, 28 April 2020)	5.7 TWh	3.5%
Singapore	8%	56 (7 April 2020, 1 June 2020)	0.7 TWh	1.2%
Vietnam	9%	23 (1 April 2020, 22 April 2020)	1.5 TWh	0.6%

Source: IHS Markit

• Impact is more pronounced for countries where large power demand are from the industrial sector and the export-oriented economies such as Thailand.



#### IMPACT ON CLEAN ENERGY DEVELOPMENT

- Low oil prices could discourage the transition to renewable energy and energy efficiency.
- Availability of some RE related products may be adversely affected by the disrupted global supply chains.
- Cheaper fossil-based energy would be an even higher priority during a recession and may give long term consequences on energy landscape.
- Human activities after COVID-19 will affect the mode of energy consumed and the consumption patterns.

Source: ERIA Policy brief, April 2020

## ON A SOLID RECOVERY TRACK

- The role of government: what should be the energy policy needed?
- Together with the technology disruption (before COVID-19), what will the future energy landscape look like for post COVID-19?
- There is always opportunity in crisis. What will be the opportunities for ASEAN to seize?

DAUTIENG I & DAUTIENG 2, Vietnam 420 MW combined, the largest solar farm in ASEAN

