

Discussion task

Question 1

Look at the map entitled 'Protected areas – Myanmar'. Do you think the protected areas are well designed? Why or why not?

Question 2

Now compare it to the map entitled 'Key biodiversity areas – Myanmar' and 'Vegetation types – Myanmar'. Key biodiversity areas are places that contain high amounts of biodiversity or are particularly important for important species or ecosystem services. Do you think any important biodiversity areas are not being well protected? What habitat/vegetations types are missing from the protected areas? Which ones and why?

Question 3

If you were going to create a new protected area in Mynamar where would you put it? Why? Look at the map called 'Economic activity and land use – Myanmar'. Will the opportunity cost of this new protected area be large or small? Will it interfere with economic activity?

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