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- Women in Asia are target of tobacco industry
- What tobacco industry is doing
- What tobacco control advocates are doing and should do
- Way forward







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## Asian women in danger



**Total ASEAN population: 616,481,745, 50% is female** 

WHY Asia is

potential

market for

Tobacco

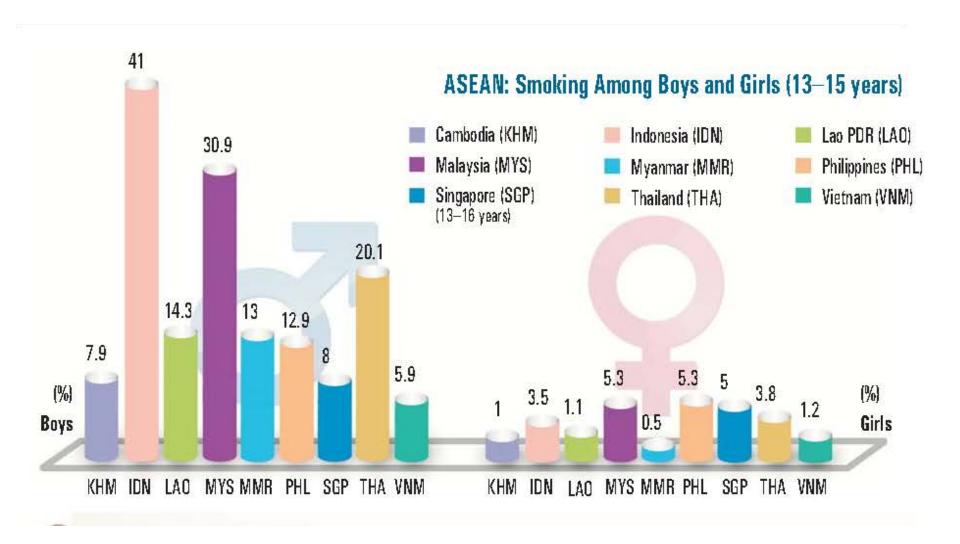
Industry?

Big targets are in Asia: Smoking prevalence among women is still very low



Tobacco control policy/ measures NOT strong





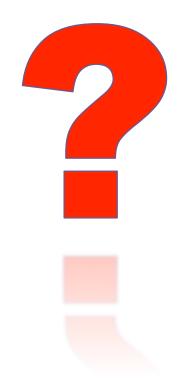
Reference: The ASEAN Tobacco Control Atlas, Aug 2013, SEATCA



# What are marketing strategies by the tobacco industry?

- Pack Design targeting girls and women
- Flavor cigarette
- Promote cheap brand
- Promote smoking in pub and bars
- Advertise, Promote whatever way they can





What tobacco control advocates are doing and should do?









#### Already in

Singapore Thailand Brunei Malaysia

#### **Coming soon in**

Vietnam Indonesia

#### Not yet in

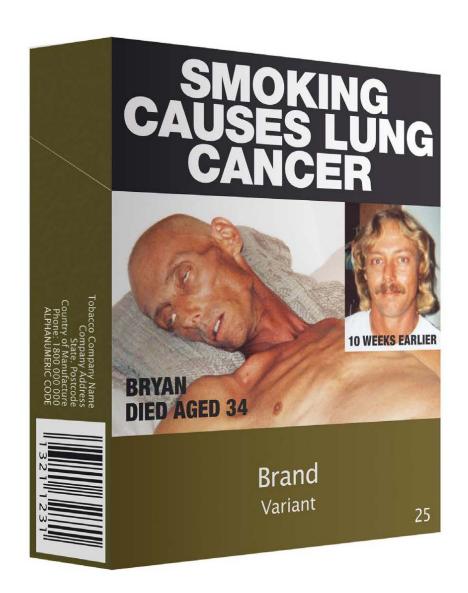
Cambodia Lao PDR Philippines Myanmar



## Ban flavor cigarette



## Follow Australia on Plain Packaging!

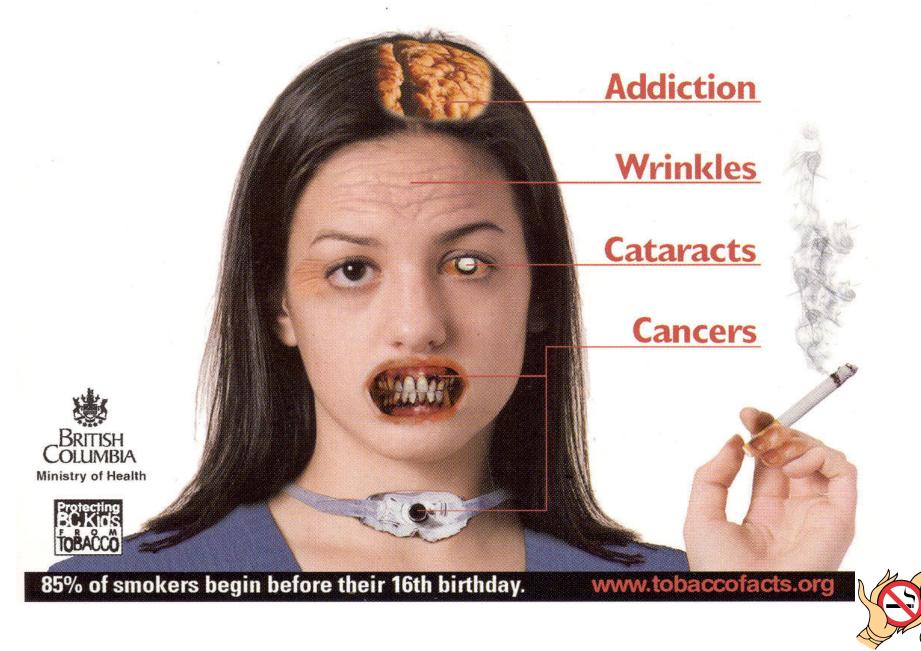




Promote
No smoking
campaign
targeting
women

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Price of Marlboro in ASEAN countries

Source: Tobacco Tax in ASEAN, 2013, SEATCA





Already ban in Singapore, Thailand

It's time to ban Smoking in pub and bars in Asia

Many girl start their first cigarette in pub

(ref: ABAC study on girls smoking in Thailand, 2006)

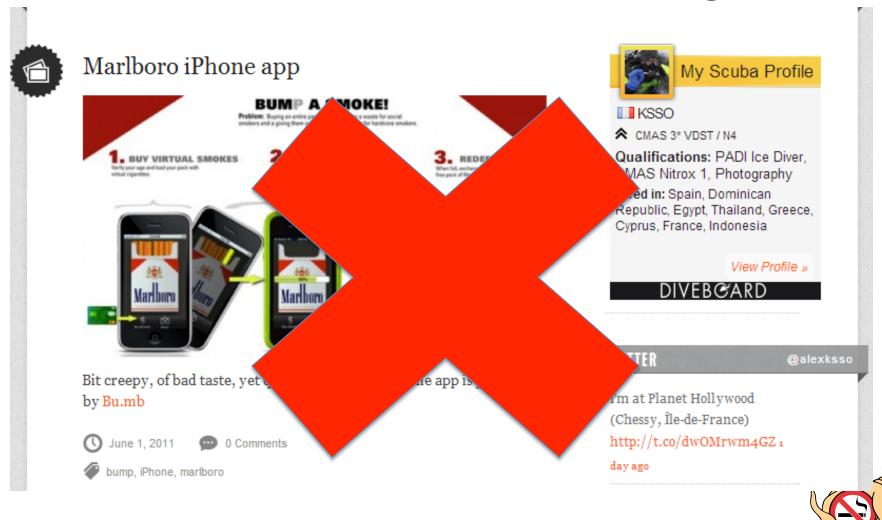




## **BAN TAPS** and sale girls NOW!



### Ban online sale and advertising

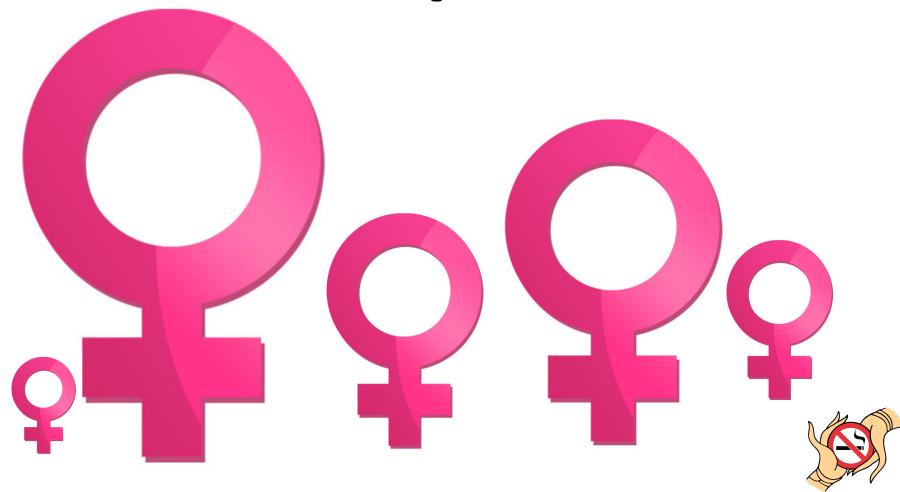


### What need to be done

### **Fully implement WHO FCTC**

- Art 6: tax and price measure
- Art 8: 100% smoke free environment including pub and bars
- Art 9 and 10: ban flavor cigarette
- Art 11: Prominent warning or plain packaging
- Art 12: Gender specific media campaign
- Art 13: Ban all forms of TAPS including internet

## Empower women

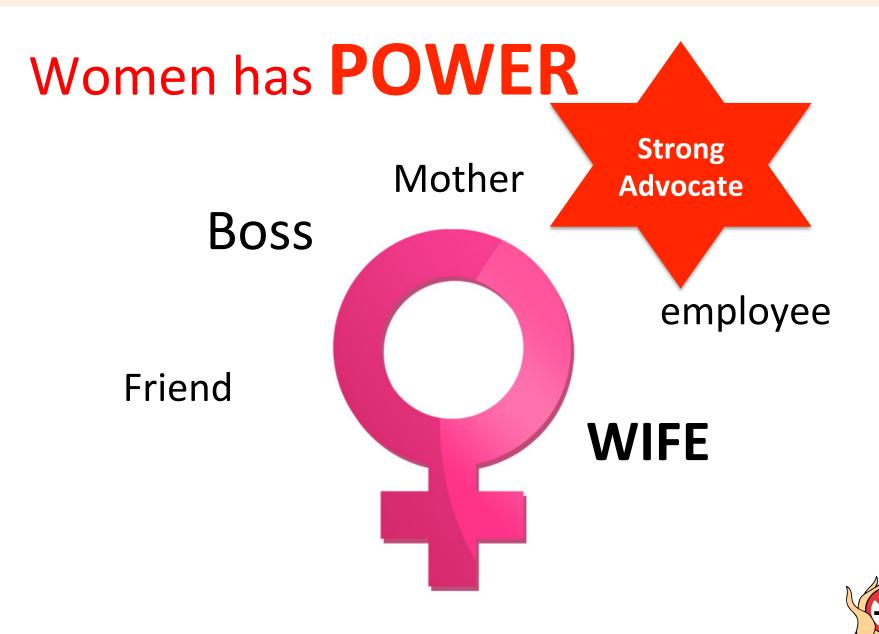


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# Empowering women for tobacco free Asia

Alert them that they are chased by TI

Alert them that policy and measures in compliance with WHO FCTC can protect them



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