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Marine Plastic Litter in the Philippines

- The Philippines has among the highest trash collection rates in Southeast Asia, yet it is the world’s **third largest source of marine litter**.


- The Philippines has yet to carry out its definitive baseline study
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Project Summary

- **Funding**: From the Government of Japan
- **Implementing Entity**: UN-Habitat, ROAP
- **Goal**: Reduce marine plastic pollution
- **Strategy**: Strengthening institutional capacity to support the operationalization and localization of the National Plan of Action (NPOA) on Marine Litter
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3 Project Partners

- Institute for Global and Environmental Strategies
- Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- Department of Interior and Local Government
- League of Cities of the Philippines
- National Solid Waste Management Commission (and NPOAML Partners)

Partner Cities:
- Manila (one city)
- Calapan
- Legazpi
- Ormoc
- Cagayan De Oro
- Davao

Other strategic partners: Academia and local government from Japan
approach – working at different levels

- At the City and Community Level
  - Pilot initiatives tested, informing national, regional and global policies and practices
- At the National Level
  - Proof of concept and local implementation mechanisms
- At the regional (ASEAN) and global levels
  - Cross-fertilization with regional and global practices and policies such as the SDGs and UN-Habitat Assessment Tool
Theory of Change

Outcomes and Activities

1. Governance and Vertical Integration
   - NPOA localization framework or guide
   - Policy Papers to support the NPOA

2. City and Community–level action
   - Enhanced data collection and management including the piloting of a new plastic leakage assessment model
   - MPL strategies
   - Pilot projects on waste reduction and management focused on MPL

3. Partnerships and Stakeholders
   - Training materials
   - Information, education and communication (IEC) Campaign tools