

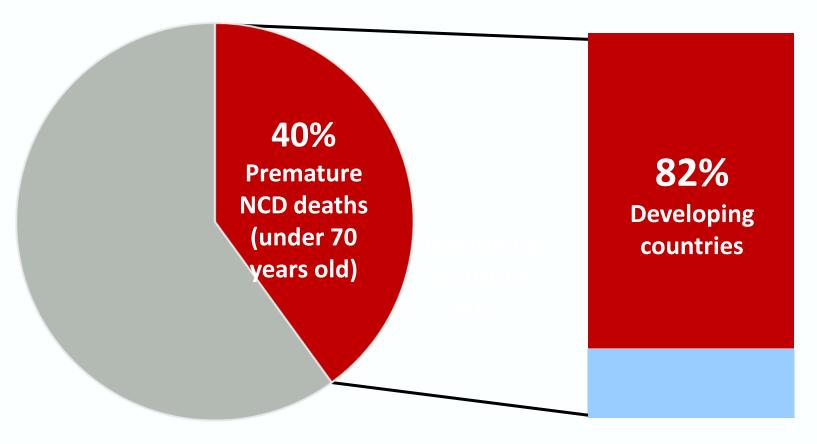


## Effective Tobacco Taxation to Reduce Poverty and Achieve SDGs

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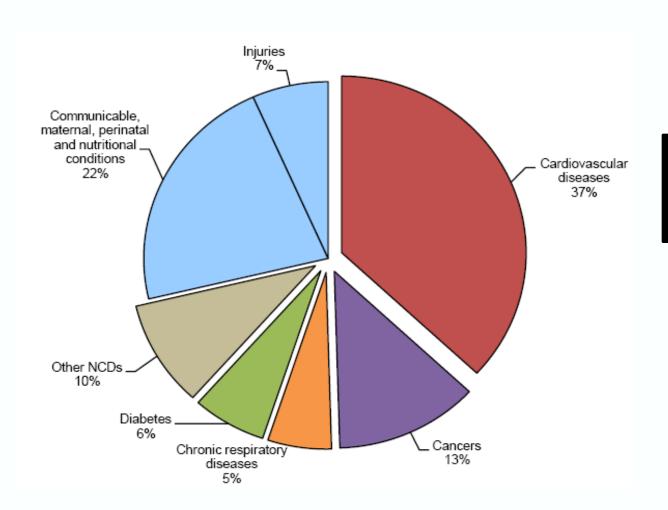
## Over 80% of premature NCD deaths occur in developing countries



Total deaths from NCDs, 2014



## NCDs account for 71% of total deaths in Indonesia



Proportional
Mortality
(% of total deaths, all ages,
both sexes)





- The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development — adopted by world leaders in September 2015
- Build on the success of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and aim to go further to end all forms of poverty
- Call for action by all countries, poor, rich and middle-income to promote prosperity while protecting the planet
- •Ending poverty must go hand-in-hand with strategies that build economic growth and addresses a range of social needs including health



#### Indonesia's Commitment to SDGs



"Drawing from the MDG implementation, Indonesia has just mainstreamed the Post-2015 Development Agenda into its national development planning."

**Vice President Yusuf Kalla** 



"Health Ministry would focus on preventive measures when implementing the sustainable development agenda."

**Health Minister Nila Moeloek** 

September 2015, New York

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#### Noncommunicable Diseases

#### 4 Diseases, 4 Modifiable Shared Risk Factors

	Tobacco Use	Unhealthy diets	Physical Inactivity	Harmful Use of Alcohol
Cardio- vascular				
Diabetes				
Cancer				
Chronic Respiratory				



#### 17 Sustainable Development Goals





























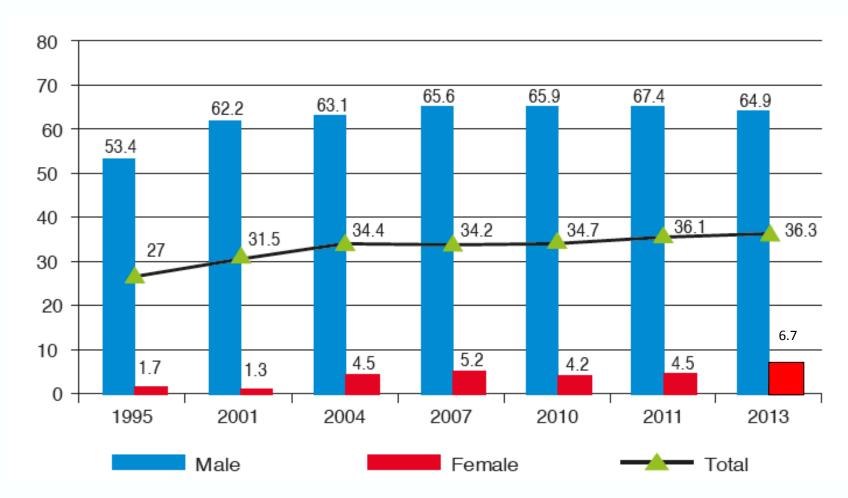






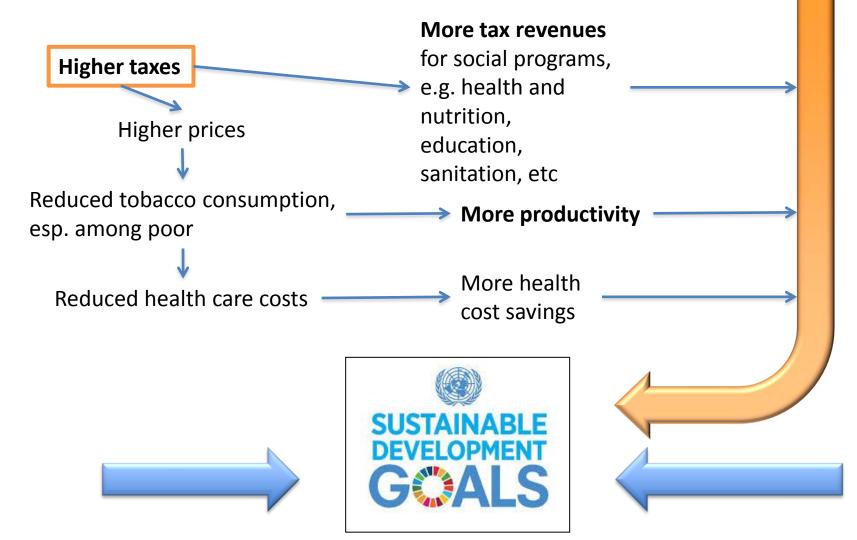


## Smoking prevalence trends in Indonesia, 1995-2013





### FCTC Article 6 (Taxes and Prices)





### Challenges in Indonesia

Complicated tobacco tax system

Cheap and affordable cigarettes

Tobacco business trend & its interference in tobacco tax policy

Government's tax roadmap



### Complicated tax system

- 12 tax rates for different tobacco products
  - 19 tiers in 2009 to 12 tiers in 2015
- Tobacco excise rate capped at 57% of HJE
- Effective 1 January 2016, the tobacco excise rate increased on average by 11.3%
  - **highest** increase (16.5%) for <u>machine-made white</u> cigarette production group
  - no increase for <u>hand-made kretek</u> production group IIIB that produces below 50 million sticks per year



### Complicated tax system

2016 revenue target for tobacco excise:
 IDR 139.82 trillion

• If MOF uses a single tariff, applying the highest tariff rate of IDR 495, potential tobacco excise revenue would be **IDR 168 trillion**.

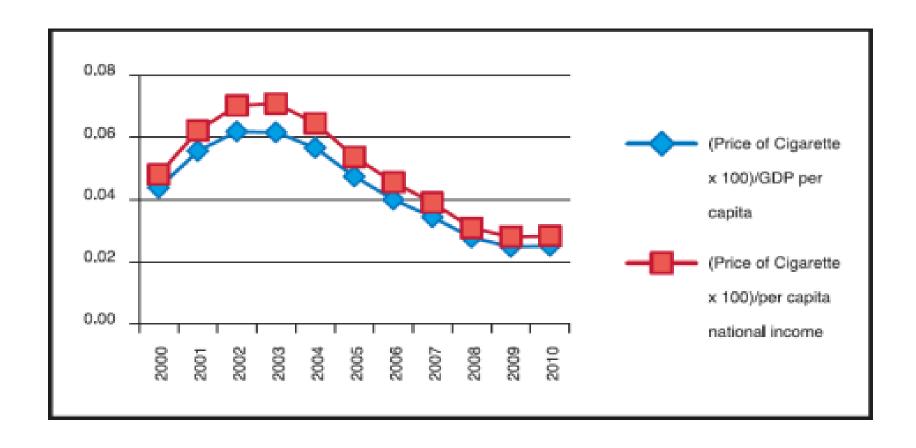


### Cheap and affordable cigarettes

- Among the world's cheapest, most affordable cigarettes
  - most expensive cigarette costs IDR 1,115
  - far below consumer price turning point to decrease consumption: IDR 4,166 per stick (IDR 50,000 per 12-stick pack)
  - steady growth of consumers' income levels
  - nominal cigarette prices unchanged since 2003

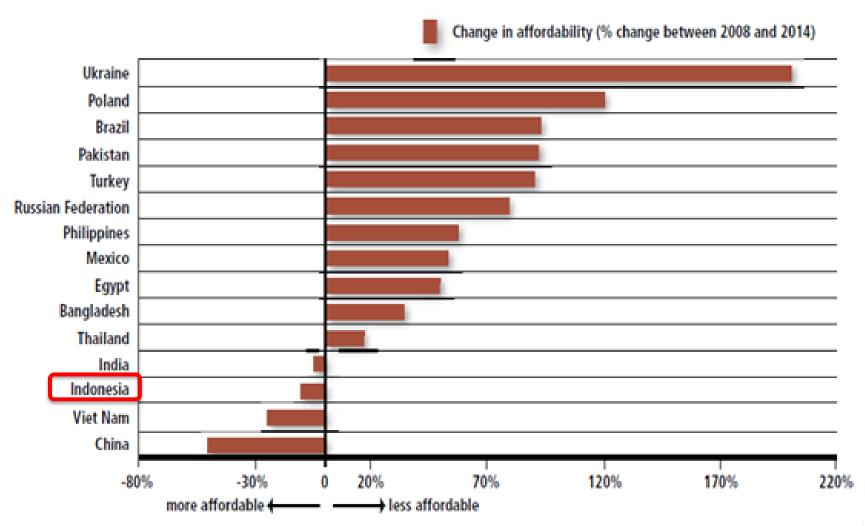


### Relative Income Price of Cigarettes, 2000-2010





### Change in Affordability of Cigarettes between 2008 and 2014





### Cheap and affordable cigarettes

- Large tobacco companies manufacture and sell a wide range of cheap, mid-priced and premium-priced cigarettes
- Cheap cigarettes have grown threefold from 5% in 2009 to about 16% in 2014 and are projected to further increase to about 19% in 2019
- Premium-priced cigarettes have grown almost fourfold, from 9% to 32% of market share



## Tobacco business trend & its interference in tobacco tax policy

- Tobacco industry forecast: business growth in next five years (2014 – 2019) will be very strong and profitable
- Government deal with PMI for IDR 26 trillion for further PMI expansion in Indonesia



## Tobacco business trend & its interference in tobacco tax policy

- Multi-tier system is not commensurate with the trend in the tobacco business
- Current tax policy is claimed to protect small manufacturers (about 1,000 manufacturers)
- 88% of market share in Indonesia is controlled by just 5 companies, including 2 foreign companies
  - Philip Morris International (PMI): owns PT HM Sampoerna
  - British American Tobacco (BAT): owns Bentoel



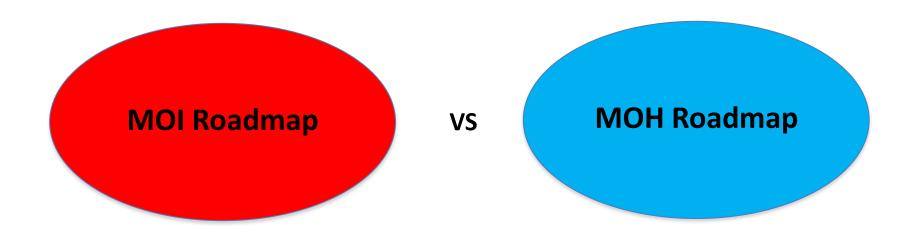
## Tobacco business trend & its interference in tobacco tax policy

- Foreign companies (PMI and BAT) will intensify competition with leading local companies, Gudang Garam and Djarum, in coming years
- Small manufacturers will disappear, unable to compete with aggressive market expansion of larger companies
- Tax policy to protect small manufacturers is unsustainable and results in a loss



# Government's tobacco tax roadmap

- Two conflicting roadmaps:
  - tobacco industry roadmap of Ministry of Industry (MOI)
  - tobacco control roadmap of Ministry of Health (MOH)





# Government's tobacco tax roadmap

#### **MOI** Roadmap

- Tobacco production in 2015-2020 will contribute to the country's annual growth of 5-7%
- Cigarette production will reach 524 billion sticks by 2020

#### **MOH Roadmap**

- By 2015-2019, smoking prevalence should be decreased by 1% per year
- By 2024, the smoking prevalence should be 26.3% or 10 percentage points lower than the smoking prevalence in 2013 (36.3%)



#### Conclusion

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Increased consumption
Worse health of people
Reduced productivity
More health spending



**Increasing poverty** 





#### Recommendations

#### **Government should:**

- Prioritize health to reduce poverty and achieve sustainable development
  - Consistently protect health before investments related to tobacco
  - Strengthen tobacco control and ratify the WHO FCTC urgently to reduce tobacco consumption and its health, socio-economic, and environmental harms
  - Implement a code of conduct for all government ministries and officials that prohibits unnecessary government interactions with the tobacco industry



#### Recommendations

#### **Government should:**

- Apply <u>international best practice</u> (FCTC Article 6 Guidelines) to strengthen tobacco tax policies
  - Simplify the tax system:
    - eliminate tiers and implement a uniform specific tax
    - increase tax for all tobacco products
    - automatically adjust the specific tax to inflation
  - Provide access to tobacco farmers and small manufacturers to the 2% and 10% excise tax revenue sharing

