



# R&D on biomass and policy in Thailand

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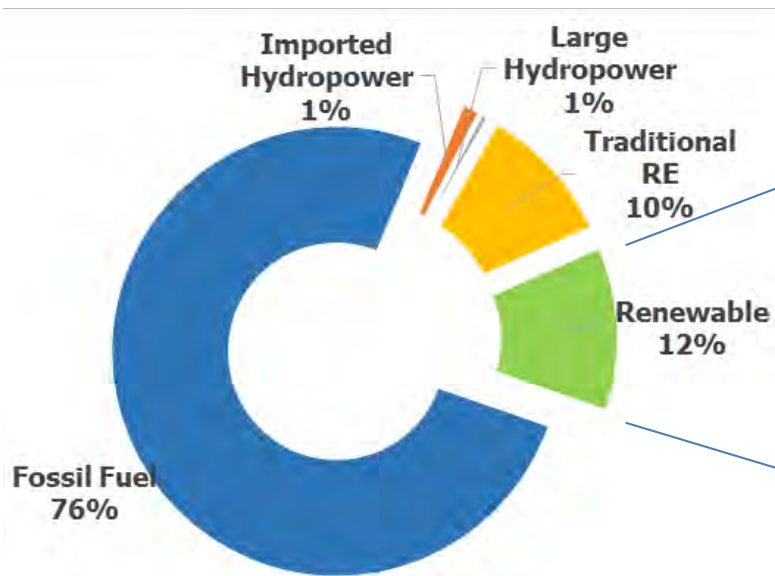
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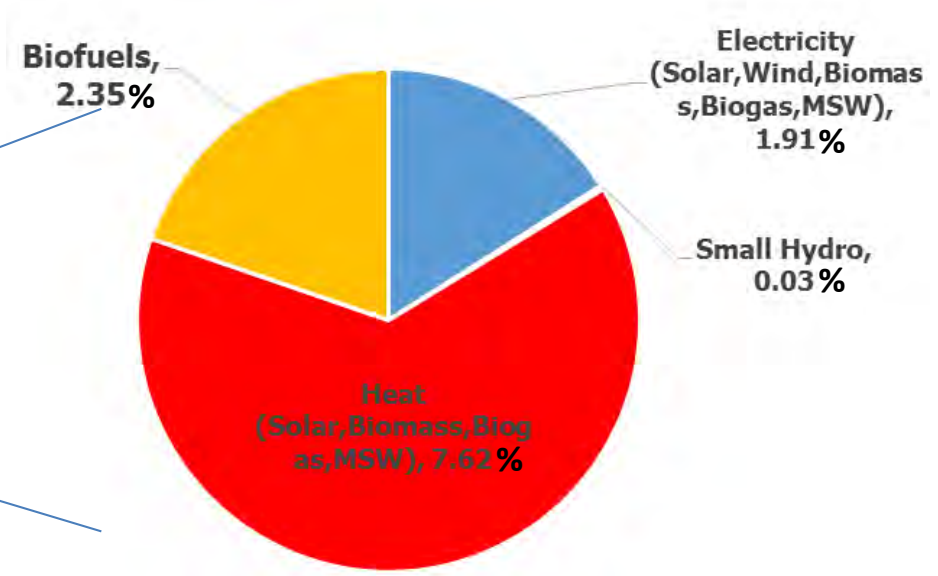
# Thailand's Energy Situation



## Final Energy Consumption



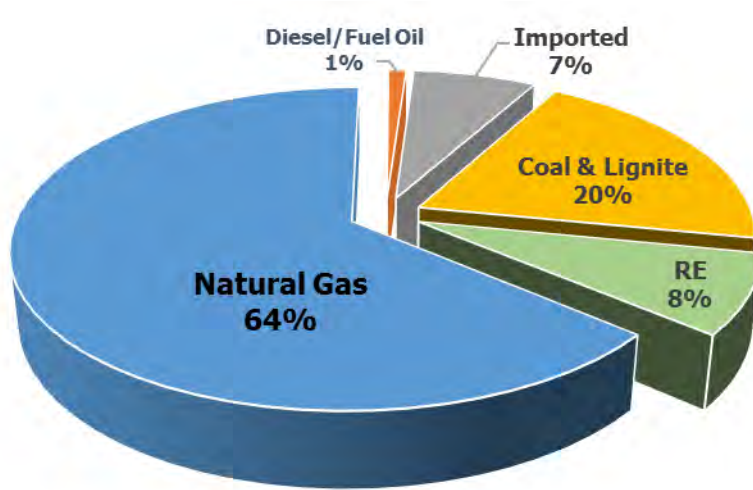
## Renewable Energy Consumption



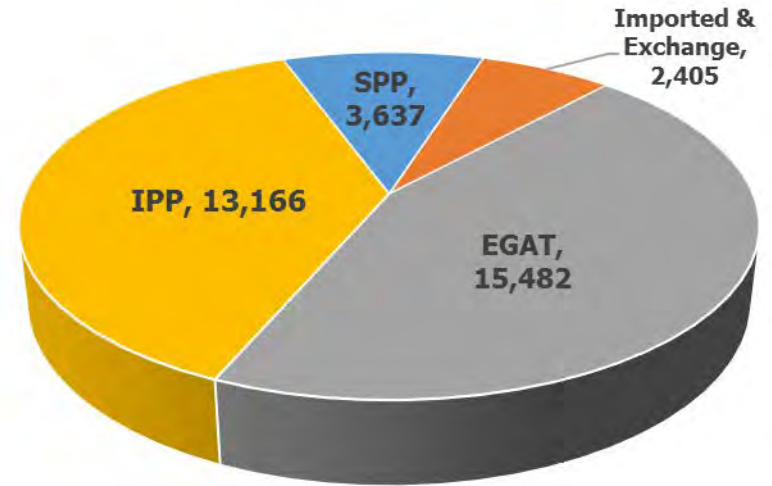




# Power Generation by Fuel Type in 2014



**Power Generation by  
Fuel Type**



Unit : MW

**Power Generation by  
Producer**



## Thailand's Energy Policies



**General Prayuth Chan O-cha**  
Prime Minister

- ✓ **Secure Thailand Energy supply**
  - Exploration and production of natural gas and crude oil both in the sea and on land
  - More new power plant by government agencies and private organizations
  - Increase the use of renewable energy
  - International energy development cooperation
- ✓ **Fair Energy Pricing**
  - Energy price restructure
  - Appropriate tax between different types of oil
- ✓ **Energy conservation**
  - More efficient use of energy
  - Awareness of consumer



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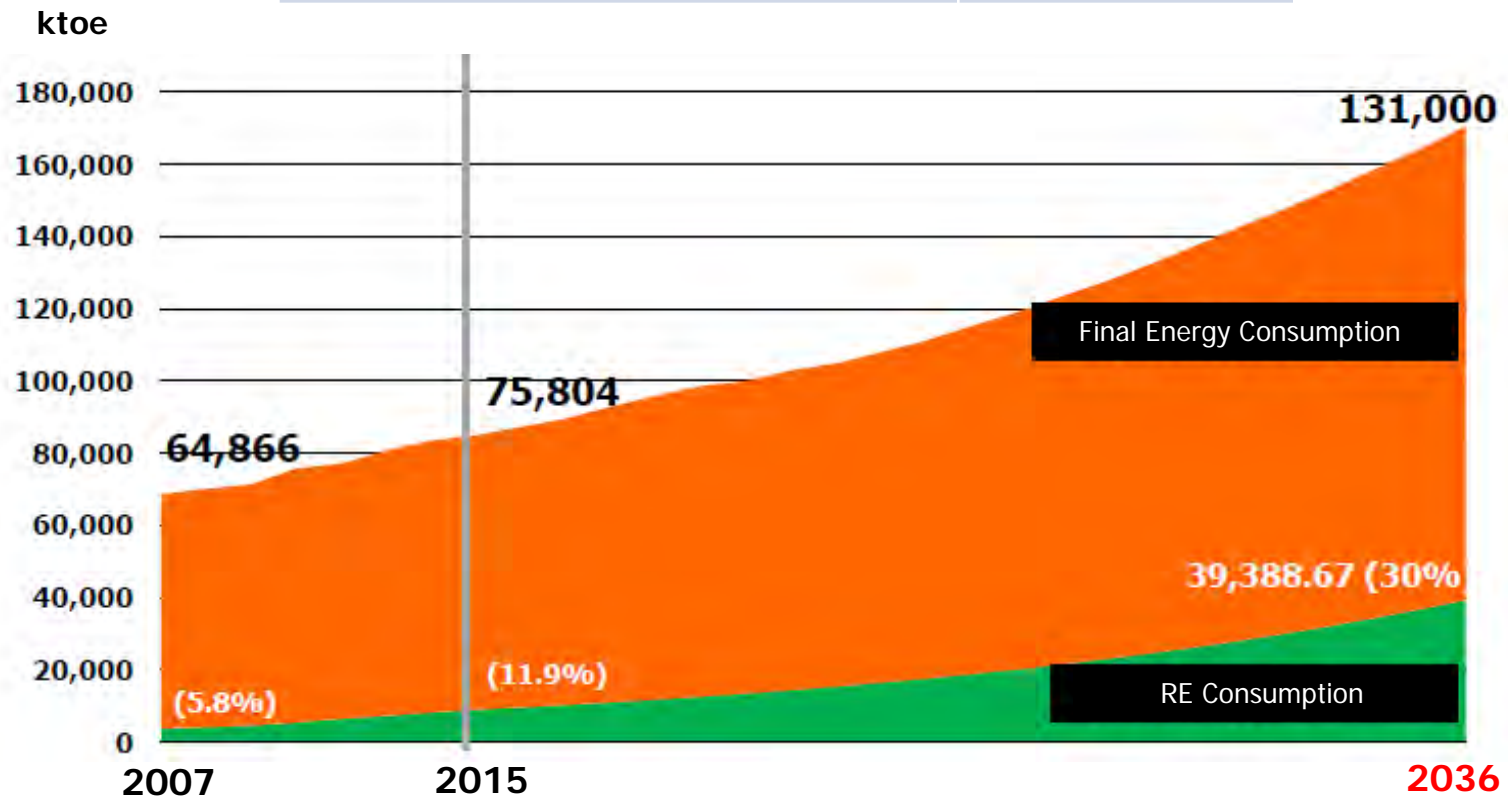
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# Alternative Energy Development Plan (AEDP) 2015-2036



**Goal: Target 30% renewables in Total Energy Consumption by 2036**

Target	ktoe
RE Consumption (ktoe)	39,388.67
Final Energy Consumption (ktoe)	131,000
RE share (%)	30%





**Foundation:** Commitment to the development of a low-carbon society

**Facilitator:**  
*Private-led investment*

**Strategy:** Alternative Energy Development Plan 2015-2036

**Facilitator:**  
*Government funded RD&D*

**Goal:** *Target 30%* renewables in Total Energy Consumption by 2036

Bio-Energy		
Biomass	Biogas	MSW + Industrial Waste
5,570 MW	1,280 MW	550 MW
22,100 ktoe	1,283 ktoe	495 ktoe
<b>6,720 MW Power   23,878 Ktoe Heat</b>		

Bio-Fuel		
Ethanol	Biodiesel	Pyrolysis Oil
11.3 ML/Day	14 ML/Day	0.53 ML/Day
	CBG	Alt. Fuels*
	4,800 t/Day	10 ktoe

Solar	Wind
6,000 MW	3,002 MW
1,200 Ktoe	
<b>9,002 MW Power   1,200 Ktoe Heat</b>	

Hydro	
Large Hydro	Small Hydro
2,906.40 MW	376 MW
<b>3,282.40 MW</b>	

New-Energy
Geothermal, Used Tire Oil, etc.
<b>10 ktoe</b>

\* Alternative fuels = Bio-oil, Hydrogen





## Power Generation Sector: Status & target

RE Technology	Year 2014 (MW)	Target in 2036 (MW)
1. MSW	65.7	500
2. Industrial Waste	-	50
3. Biomass	2,451.8	5,570
4. Biogas	311.5	600
5. Small Hydro Power	142	376
6. Biogas from Energy Crops	-	680
7. Wind	224.4	3,002
8. Solar PV	1,298.5	6,000
9. Large Hydro Power	-	2,906.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,494</b>	<b>19,684.4</b>
<b>RE Share in Power Sector</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>20%</b>



# Heat Sector: Status & target

RE Technology	Year 2014 (ktoe)	Target in 2036 (ktoe)
1. MSW	98.1	495
2. Biomass	5,184	22,100
3. Biogas from Wastewater/Animal Manure	488.1	1,283
4. Solar	5.12	1,200
5. Others*	-	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,775</b>	<b>25,088</b>
<b>RE Share in Heat Sector</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>30-35%</b>

\* Other RE sources such as geothermal energy, etc.



# Transportation Sector: Status & target

RE Technology	Year 2014	Target in 2036	
	(ML/day)	(ML/day)	(ktoe)
1. Biodiesel	2.89	14	4,404.8
2. Bioethanol	3.21	11.3	2,103.5
3. Pyrolysis-Oil	-	0.53	170.8
4. Compressed-Biomethane Gas (tons/day)	-	4,800	2,023.2
5. Other Alternative Fuels*	-		10
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.1</b>		<b>8,712.4</b>
<b>RE Share in Transportation Sector</b>	<b>7%</b>		<b>20-25%</b>

\* Other alternative fuels such as hydrogen, bio-oil, etc.



# Main Activities

## Electricity



Area-based RE power generation target must be related to RE potential (RE Grid Capacity)

Develop and support for power generation from unutilized fuel (e.g. agricultural waste, industrial waste, fast growing crop)

Support competitive bidding for power purchasing system

## Heat



Promote and support RDF transformation for municipal waste management

Promote and support biomass-derived fuel (e.g. biomass pellet, bio-coal)

Support biogas generation from waste water or solid waste

Promote heat utilization in building by building code establishing

## Biofuel



Promote utilization of B10, B20 in both transportation and industrial sector

Promote gasohol utilization

Promote CBG utilization for vehicle and industry

Promote biofuel production efficiency improvement



# Feed-in Tariff Scheme

Capacity (MW)	FiT (THB/kWh)			Period of Subsidy (Year)	FiT Premium (THB/kWh)	
	FiT <sub>F</sub>	FiT <sub>V,2017</sub>	FiT <sup>(1)</sup>		Biofuel Project (8 years)	Project in Southern Territory Area (Throughout Project Period)
1) MSW (Hybrid Management)						
Existing Capacity ≤ 1 MW	3.13	3.21	6.34	20	0.70	0.50
Existing Capacity > 1-3 MW	2.61	3.21	5.82	20	0.70	0.50
Existing Capacity > 3 MW	2.39	2.69	5.08	20	0.70	0.50
2) MSW (Sanitary Landfill)	5.60	-	5.60	10	-	0.50
3) Biomass						
Existing Capacity ≤ 1 MW	3.13	2.21	5.34	20	0.50	0.50
Existing Capacity > 1-3 MW	2.61	2.21	4.82	20	0.40	0.50
Existing Capacity > 3 MW	2.39	1.85	4.24	20	0.30	0.50
4) Biogas (Waste Water/Sewage)	3.76	-	3.76	20	0.50	0.50
5) Biogas (Energy Crop)	2.79	2.55	5.34	20	0.50	0.50
6) Hydropower						
Existing Capacity ≤ 200 kW	4.90	-	4.90	20	-	0.50
7) Wind	6.06	-	6.06	20	-	0.50





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# Biomass Energy Promotion



# Biomass Potential

Biomass potential data	Remain Biomass (at year 2014)			Remain Biomass incl. Agri. Plan		
	Type of biomass	Ton/y	ktoe	Existing (MW)	Ton/y	ktoe
Rice husk	432	0.14	0.05	432	0.14	0.05
Rice straw	4,124,630	1,204	461	4,124,630	1,204	461
Sugar cane and leaf	2,928,140	1,073	411	5,265,619	1,929	738
Bagasse	-	-	-	21,280,000	3,712	1,421
Corn cob	80,889	18	7	80,889	18	7
Corn trunk	3,369,690	784	300	3,369,690	784	300
Cassava rhizome	2,838,125	369	141	3,372,560	439	168
Cassava trunk	1,052,636	388	149	2,084,755	769	294
Oil palm frond	14,606,671	2,265	867	33,586,191	5,208	1,993
Oil palm fiber	-	-	-	2,944,803	795	304
Oil palm shell	-	-	-	619,959	248	95
Oil palm empty fruit bunch	606,541	104	40	1,402,455	240	92
Para wood root	1,411,834	287	110	1,411,834	287	110
Coconut shell	79,678	31	12	79,678	31	12
Coconut fiber	71,875	27	10	71,875	27	10
Coconut bunch and frond	249,026	91	35	249,026	91	35
<b>Total</b>	<b>31,420,166</b>	<b>6,642</b>	<b>2,542</b>	<b>79,944,394</b>	<b>15,783</b>	<b>6,040</b>



## Promote the community scale biomass power generations by

- establishing community enterprises to co-manage the operation and fuel supply;
- identifying suitable technologies, for example gasifiers, for community scale power generation; and
- formulating necessary incentives for promotion of their uses.

## Promote biomass power development by

- providing new incentives to developers such as different rate Adder based on technology and size;
- expansion of national grid; and
- Creation of public participation.

## Promote R&D on Biomass technologies, i.e

- plantation of fast growing plants;
- harvesting and collection;
- transformation and logistics such as pellets and briquetting.





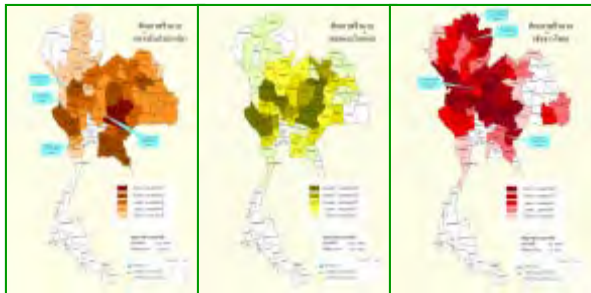
## Encourage biomass utilization

- substitute fossil fuel in local industry and in community
- increase the utilization of unused biomass
- improve the energy efficiency in agro industry



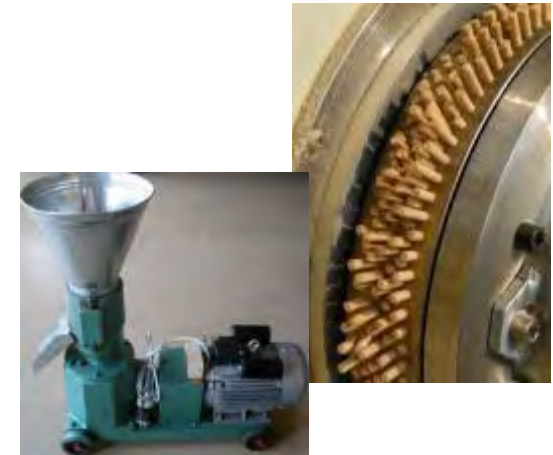
## Promotion & Support

- update and provide biomass potential map
- develop biomass excellent center
- financial support and co-promote CDM activities
- develop the biomass collection and transportation system



## R&D

- encourage biomass transformation : pellet
- biomass to liquid technology
- high efficiency biomass technology







### Development initiatives

- Promote **plantation of fast growing trees** that can be used as feedstock for power/heat generation
- Develop **production and standard of biomass pellets** for future biomass fuel
- Develop **advanced gasifier and gas engine technology** as well as **biomass-to-liquid** (BTL) technology
- Promote **use of high pressure boilers** to improve efficiency of power generation from biomass
- Promote Distributed Green Generation (DGG) – **community level biomass** energy
- Coordinate with EGAT to develop necessary **transmission and distribution infrastructure**



# ***Promote and Support for Establishing of Distributed Green Generation (DGG) Project***





## Project initiatives

- ❖ Farmer in the northeast area of Thailand have cultivated a great deal of fast growing tree, such as Eucalyptus, Acacia, etc., and communities have high potential to establish for cooperative.
- ❖ Limitation of national transmission line.

## Project objectives

- To promote and support high potential communities to be established as a distributed green generation station
- To demonstrate DGG model, and determine the method for model distribution to other efficient communities.



# Promote and Support for Establishing of Distributed Green Generation (DGG) Project

## Target Demonstration Sites

1. Community DDG Station: Jaturas District, Chaiyaphoom
2. Community DDG Station: Phu Wieng District, Khon Kaen
3. Sum-Soong Community DDG Station: Sum-Soong District, Khon Kaen
4. Bann None Sawang Community DDG Station: Muang District, Nong Bua Lamphoo
5. None Sanguan Community DDG Station: Sri Boonruang District, Nong Bua Lamphoo
6. Green Energy Crop Community Enterprise DDG Station: Sri-Tart District, Udon Thani
7. Phai Sub-district DDG Station: Muang District, Kalasin
8. Poh-Sri DDG Station: Poh-Chai District, Roi-Et
9. Kam Kuen Kaew DGG Station: Sirindhorn District, Ubon Rachathani
10. Seesuk-Seelakor Community Enterprise DGG Station: Chakkarat District, Nakhon Ratchasima

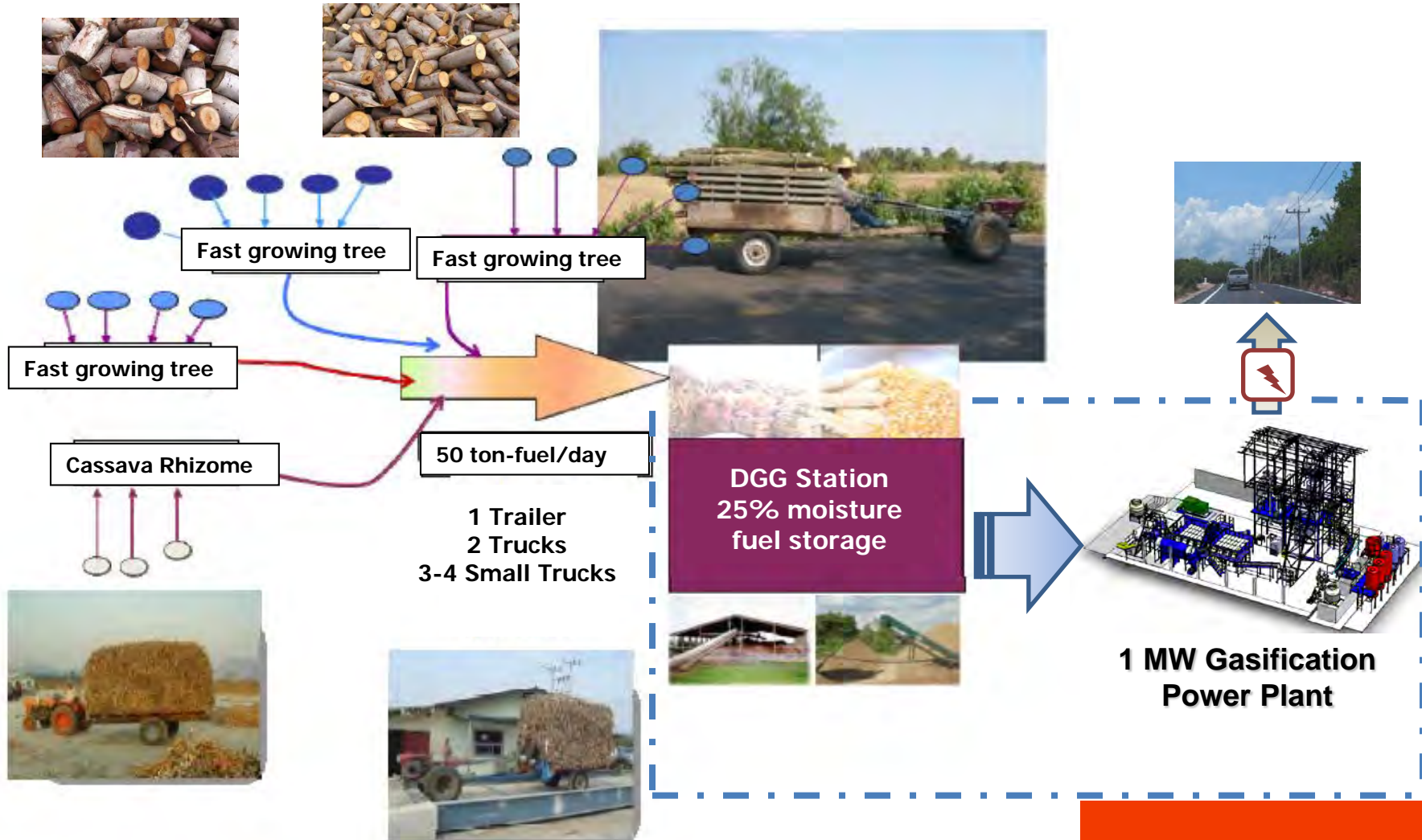




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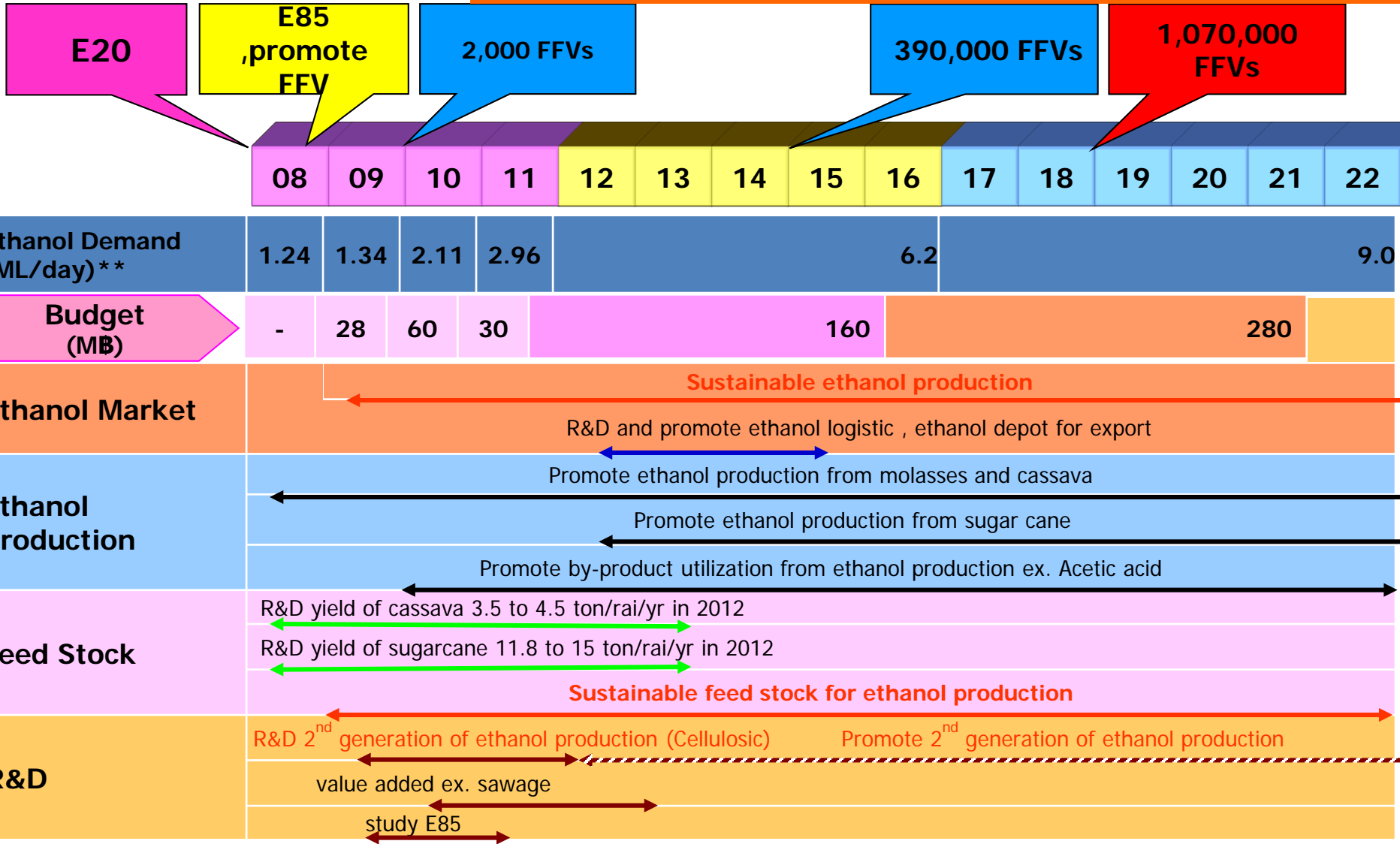
## Example of DGG management concept

*Site: None Sanguan DDG Station: Nong Bua Lamphoo Province*

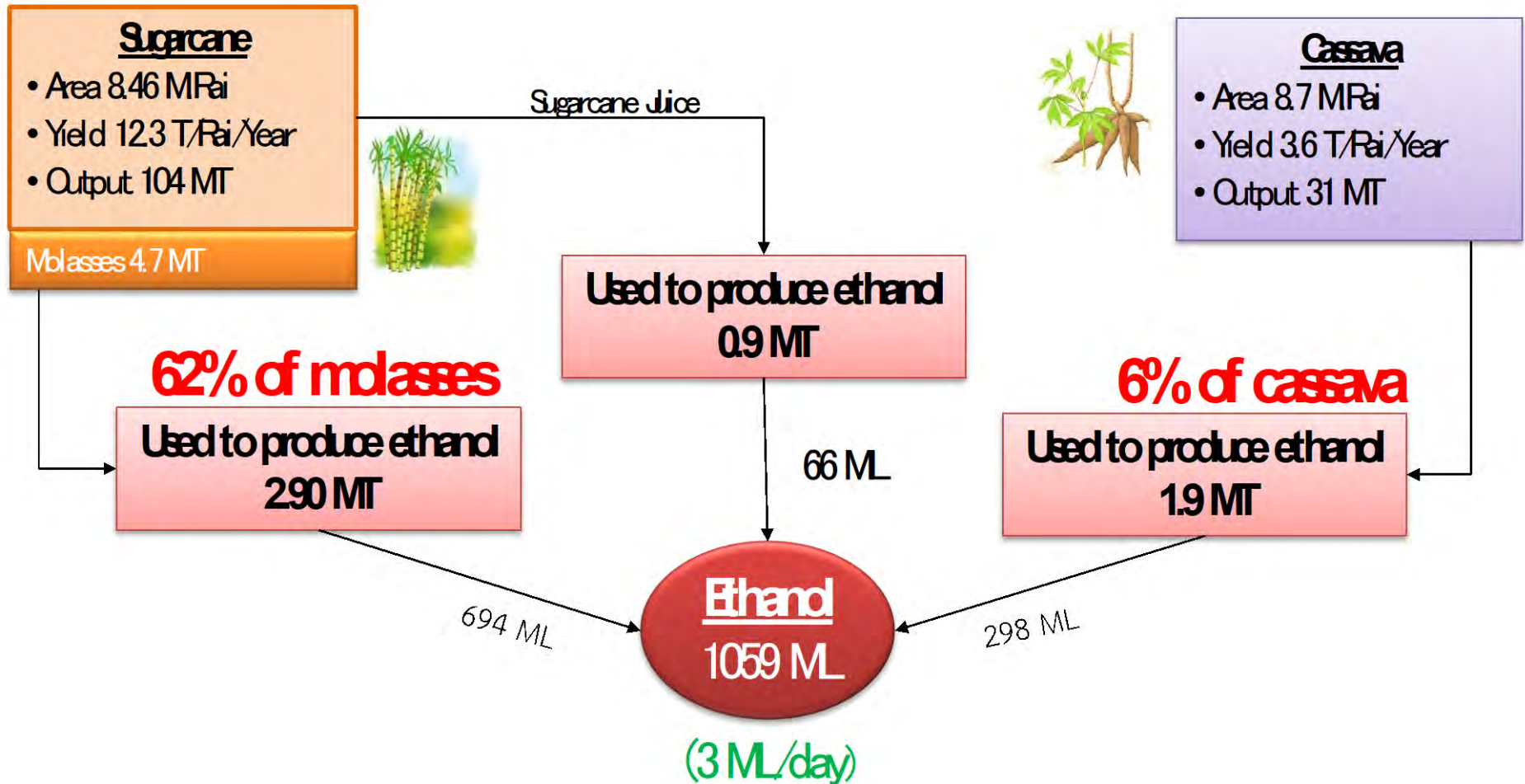




# Ethanol Development Plan 2008 - 2022



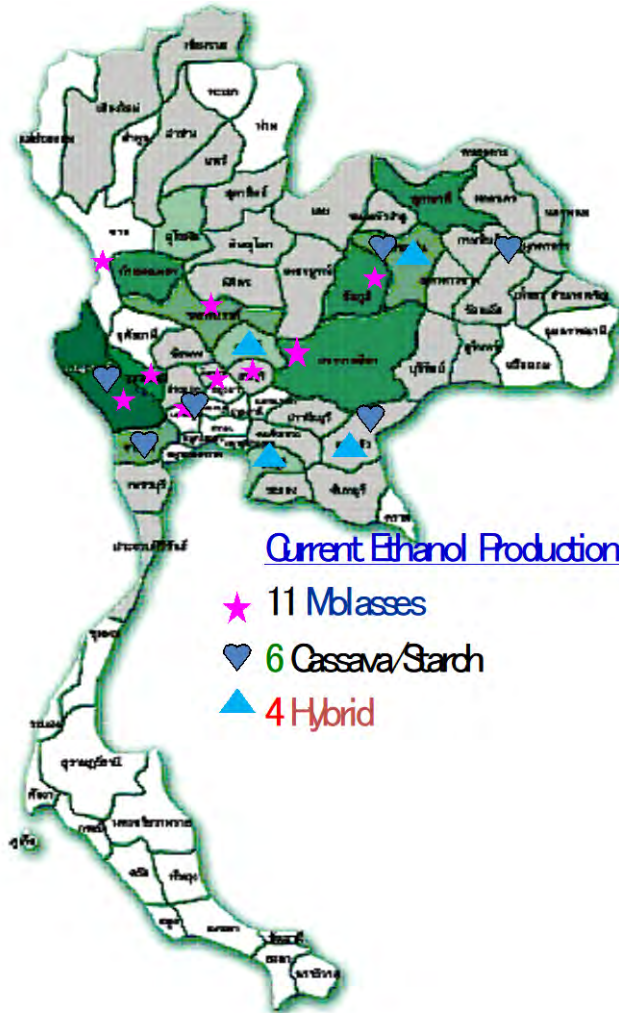




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# Ethanol production capacity



Current Ethanol Production Plant

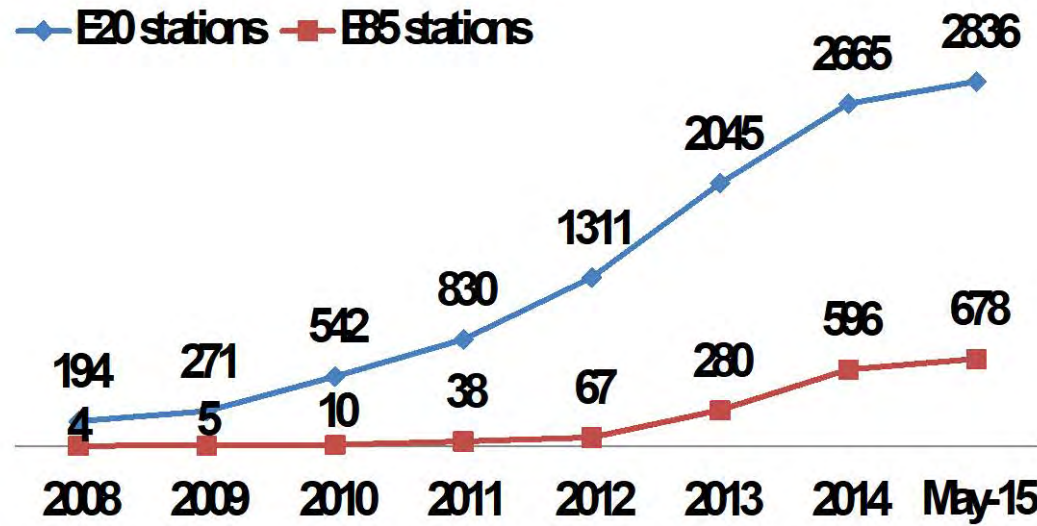
- ★ 11 Molasses
- ♥ 6 Cassava/Starch
- ▲ 4 Hybrid

Feedstock	Nb. of plants	Total cap. (M/day)
Molasses	10	226
Cassava	7	1.455
Molasses and Cassava	5	1.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>4.965</b>





# Gasohol fuel stations and vehicles



Sources - DOE

**E10 stations are well spread over Thailand**

**E10** Most cars manufactured since 1995

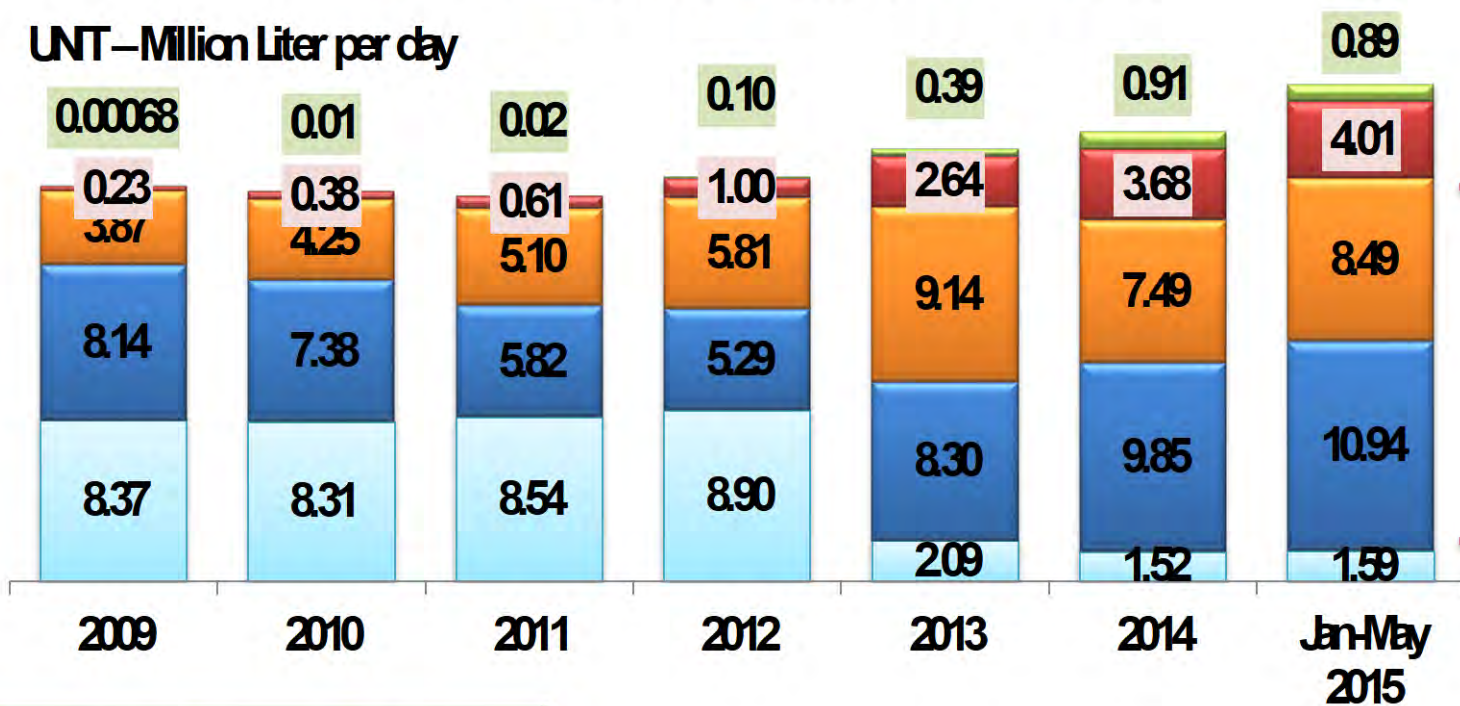
**E20** Most cars manufactured since 2008

**E85** All Flex fuel cars (FFV)

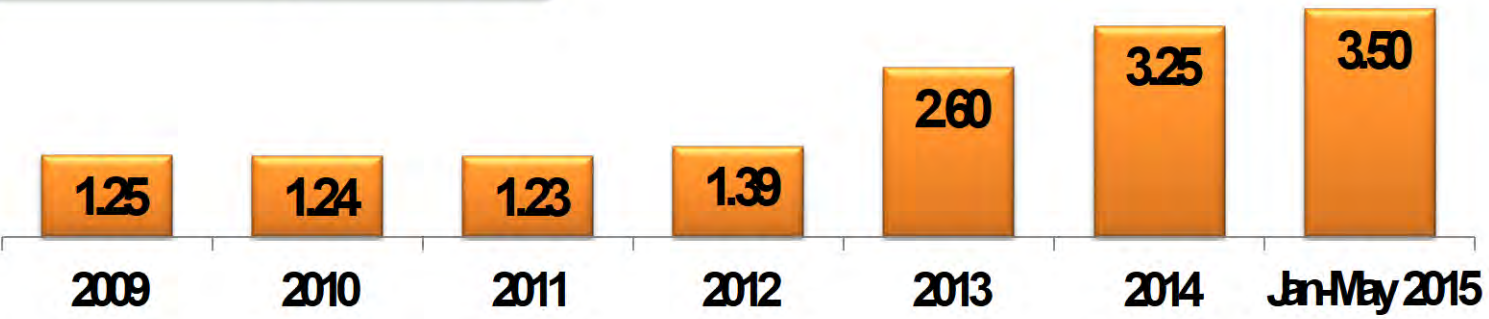


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UNT – Million Liter per day



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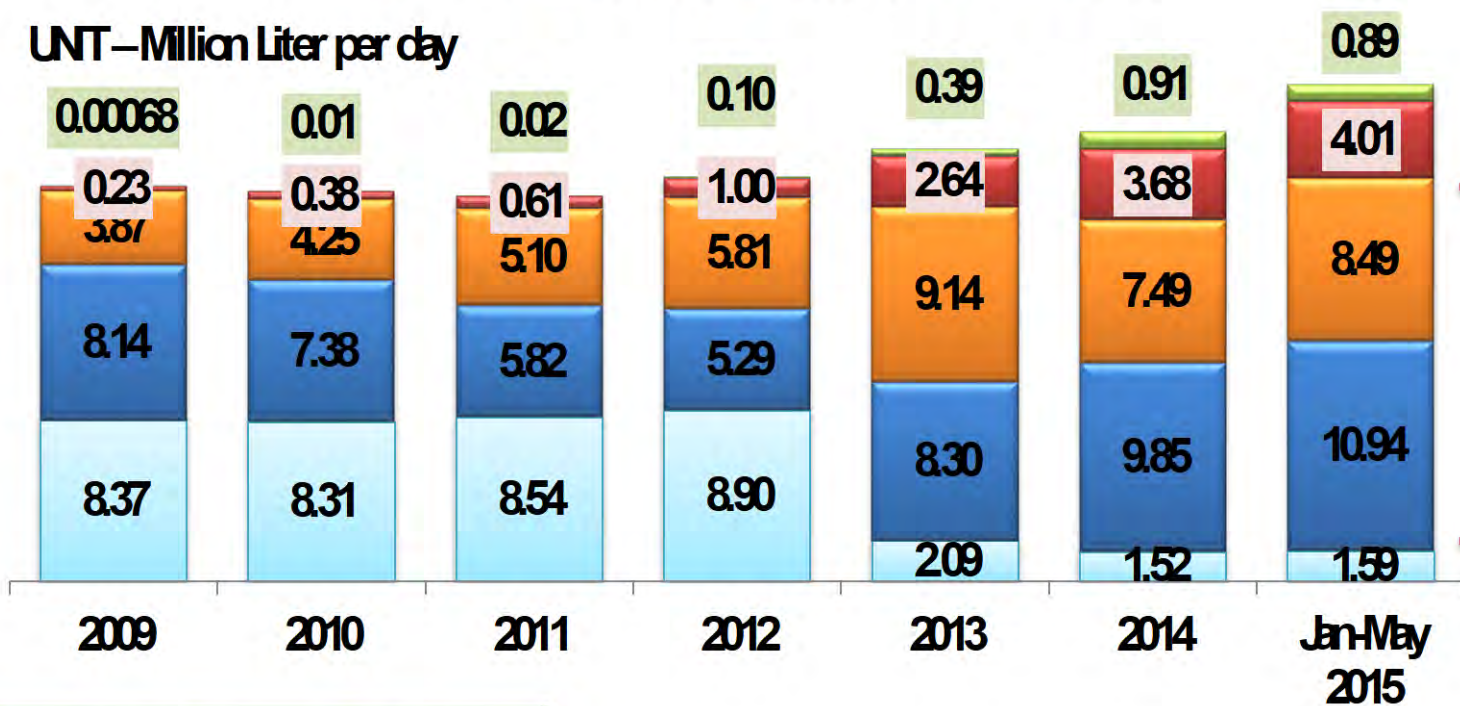


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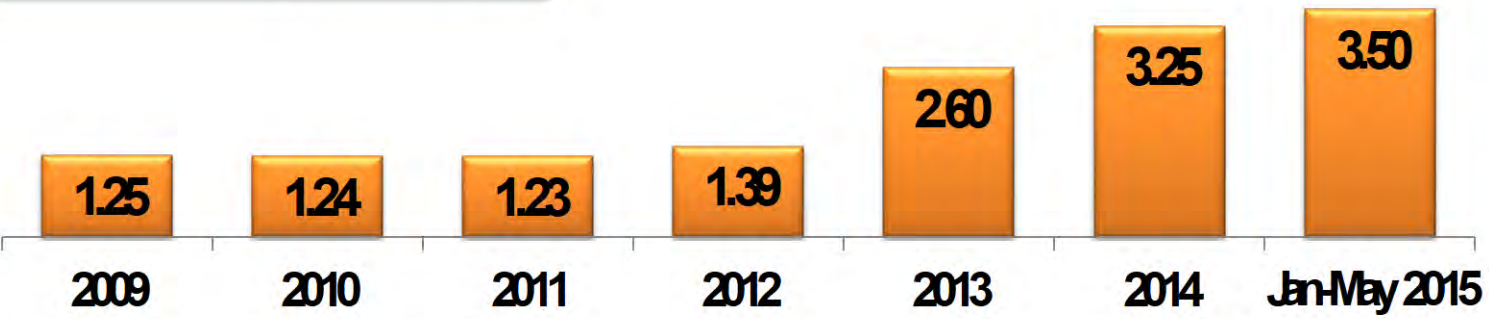


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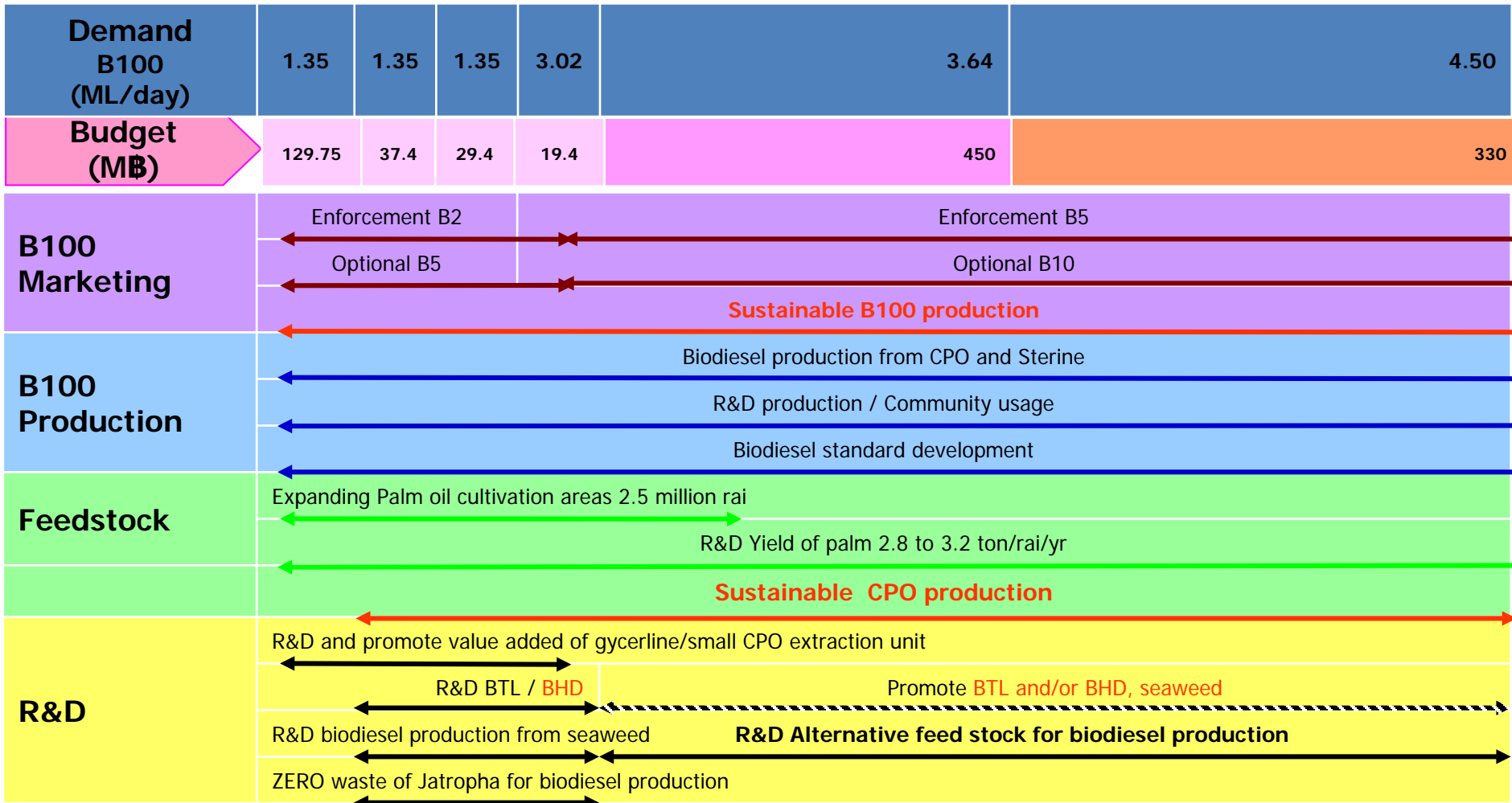


# Biodiesel Development Plan 2008 - 2022

Research on Biodiesel with fish boat Engines

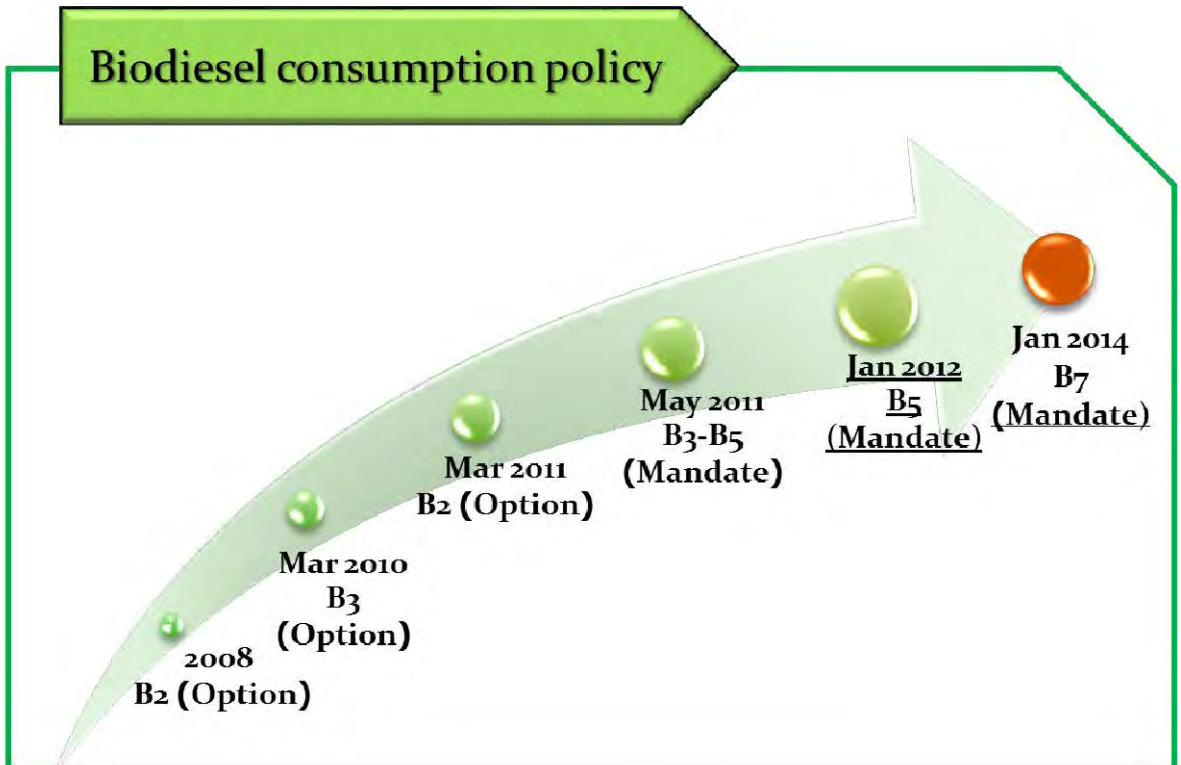
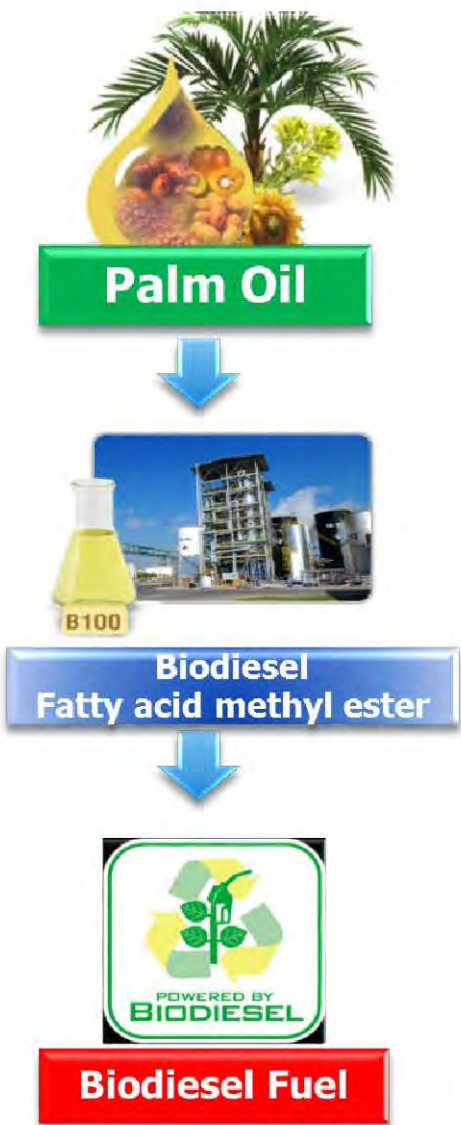
B5 nationwide, B10 optional

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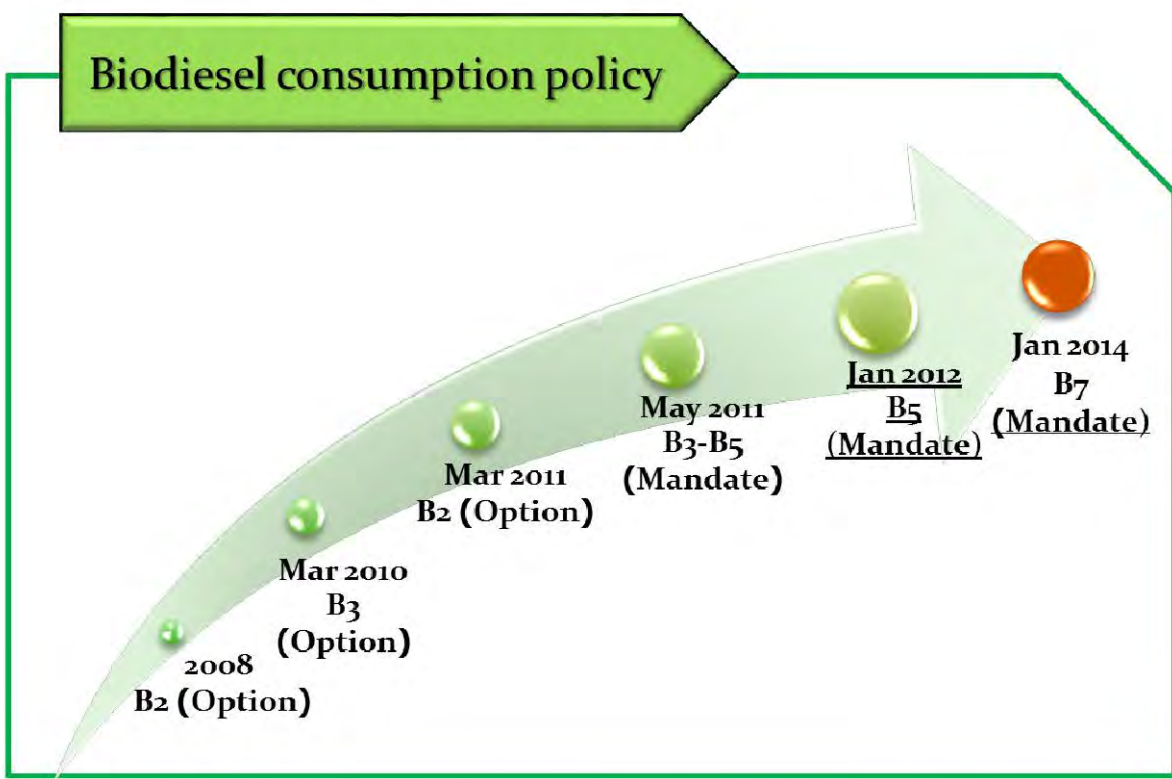
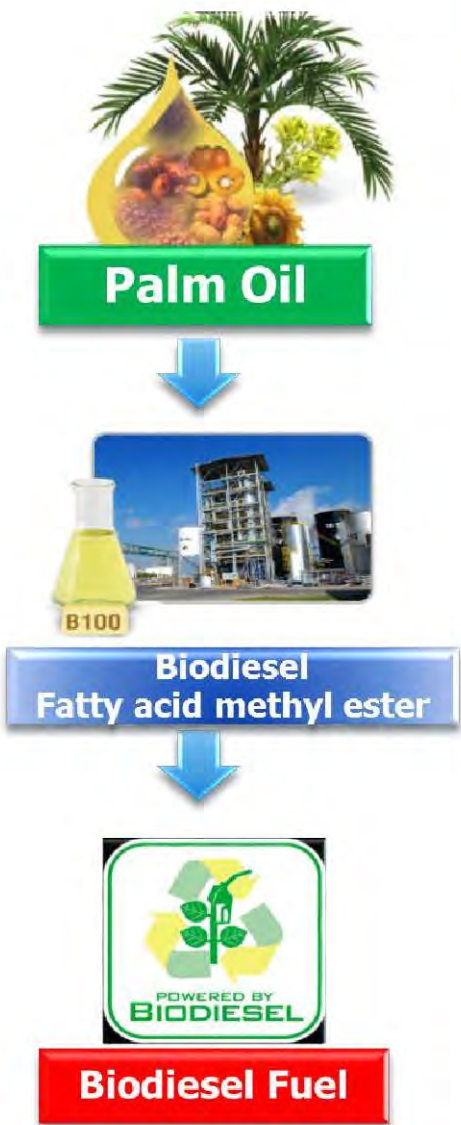
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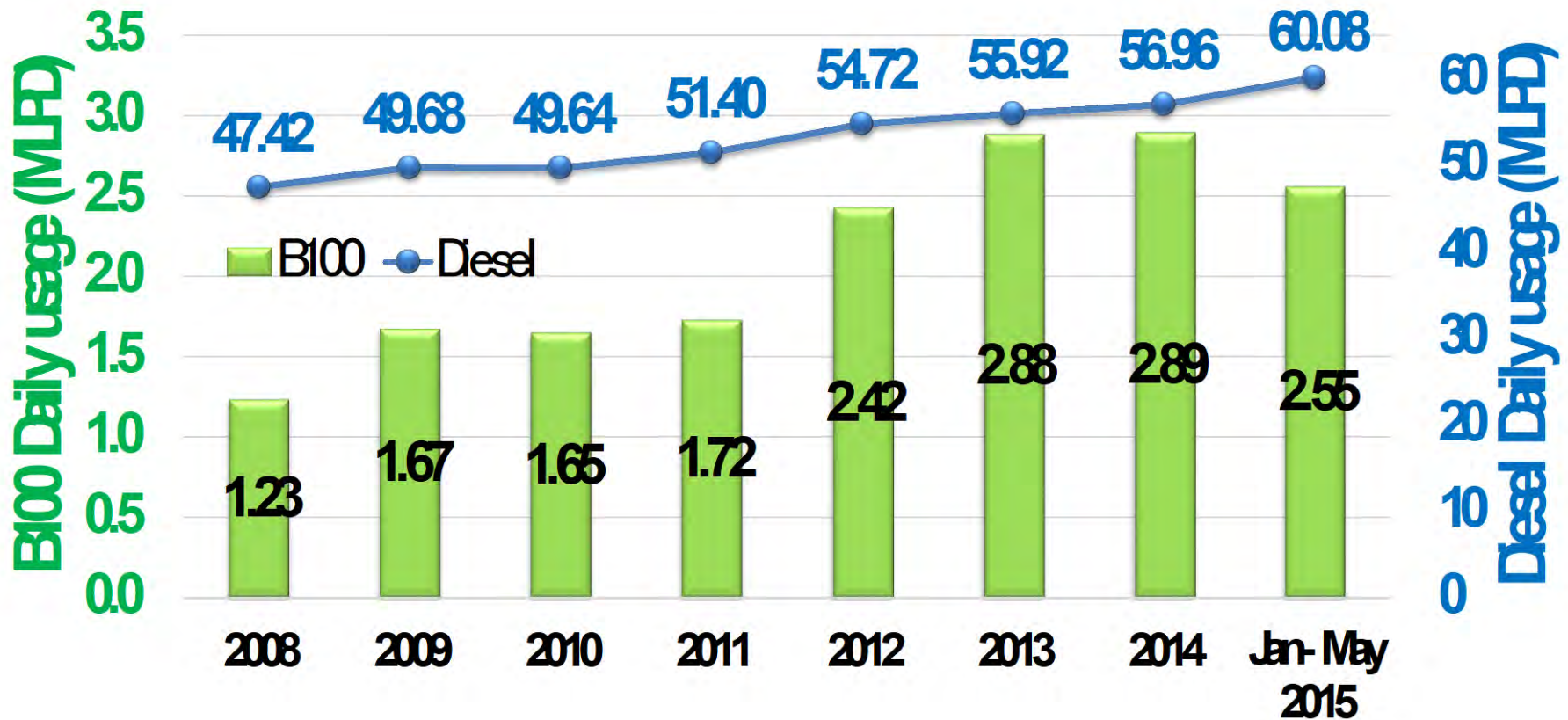


Feedstock	Registered capacity	
	Nb. of factories	Capacity (ML/day)
<b>CPO/RBDPO/Palmstearin</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4.56</b>
<b>Palmstearin</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.40</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4.96</b>





**Thailand mandated 7% biodiesel (B7) blend for every liter of diesel sold since Jan 2014**





# Conclusion on Biomass and Biofuels R&D

MOU between MOST and MOEN

## Biomass

- Characteristics
- Logistic
- Property Improvements
  - Size reduction
  - Drying
  - Torrefaction
  - Densification; Briquette, Pellet

- Technology Development, Small Scale
  - Co-fuels combustion
  - Gasification, both for heat and power

## Biogas

- Efficiency Improvement
- Co-digestion
- Cleaning equipment
- Upgrading to CBG

## Biofuels

- Yield improvement of raw materials
- Logistic of raw materials
- Cost reduction on conversion process
  - Yeasts, Enzyme, Catalysts, Energy Use, Retention time.
- Added values for wastes or coproducts.
- Logistic of products.
- Development of small scale production for Biodiesel.
- Sustainability Criteria and LCA.
- Advance Biofuel Technologies.



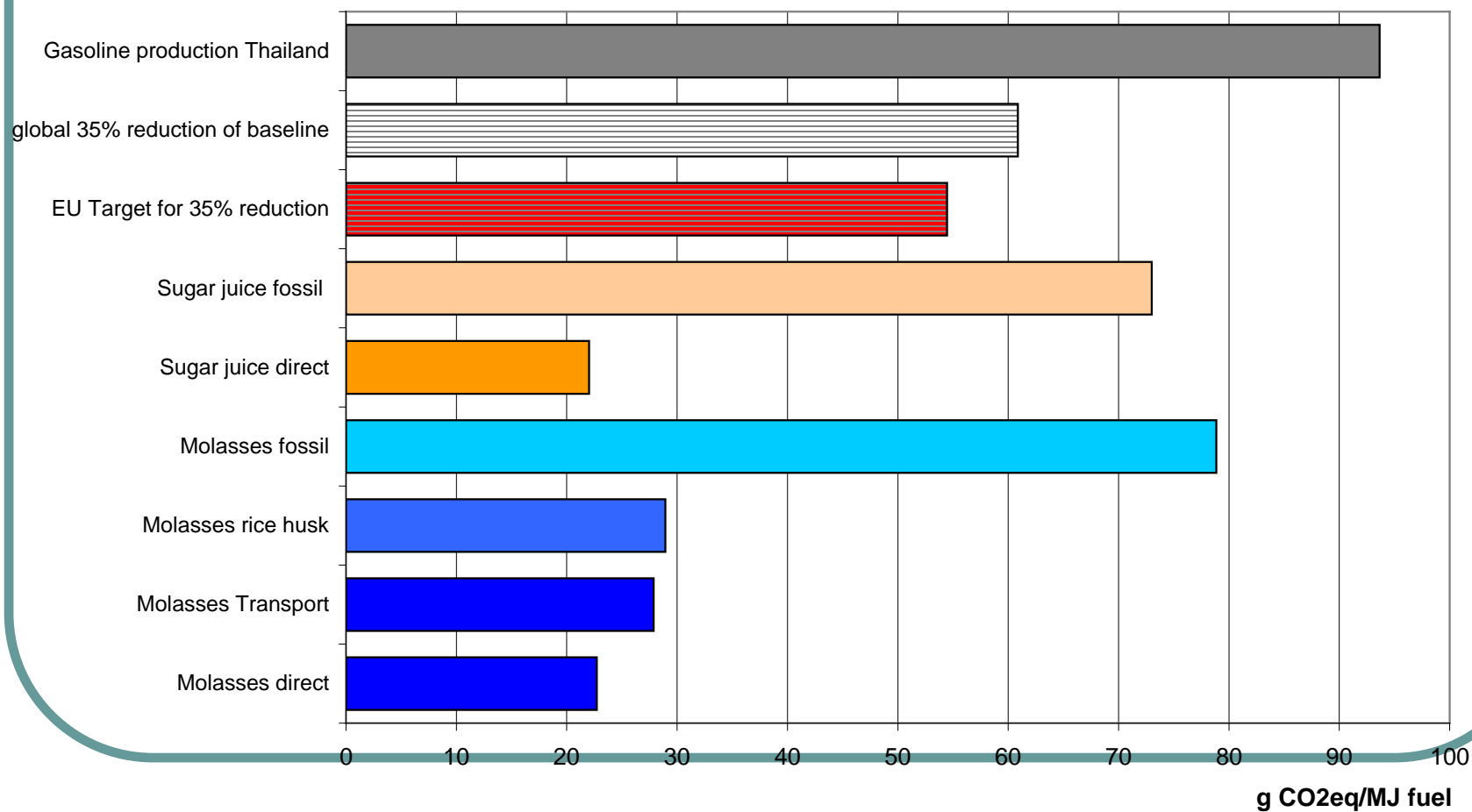
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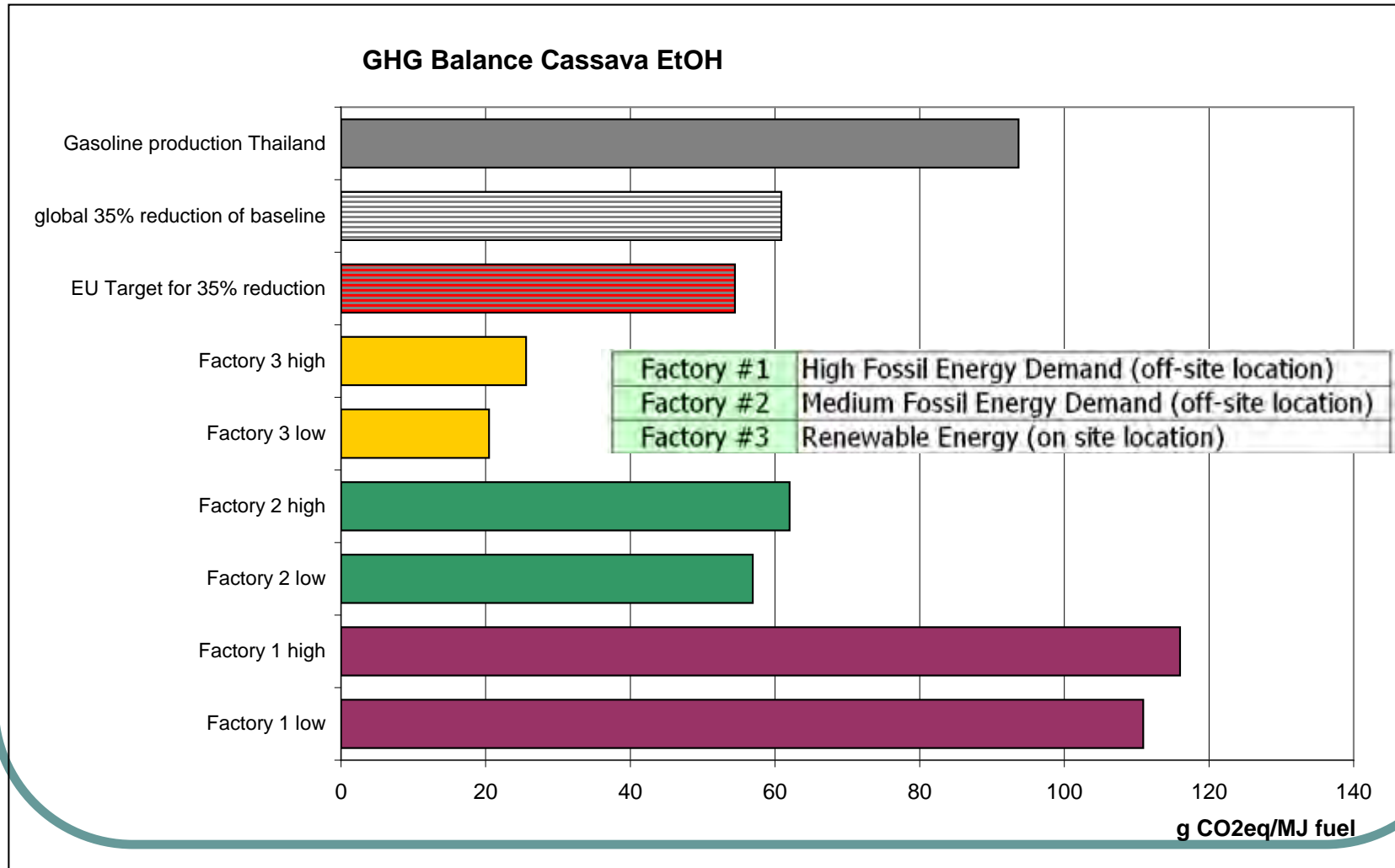
# GHG emissions results

**GHG Balance Sugar based EtOH**





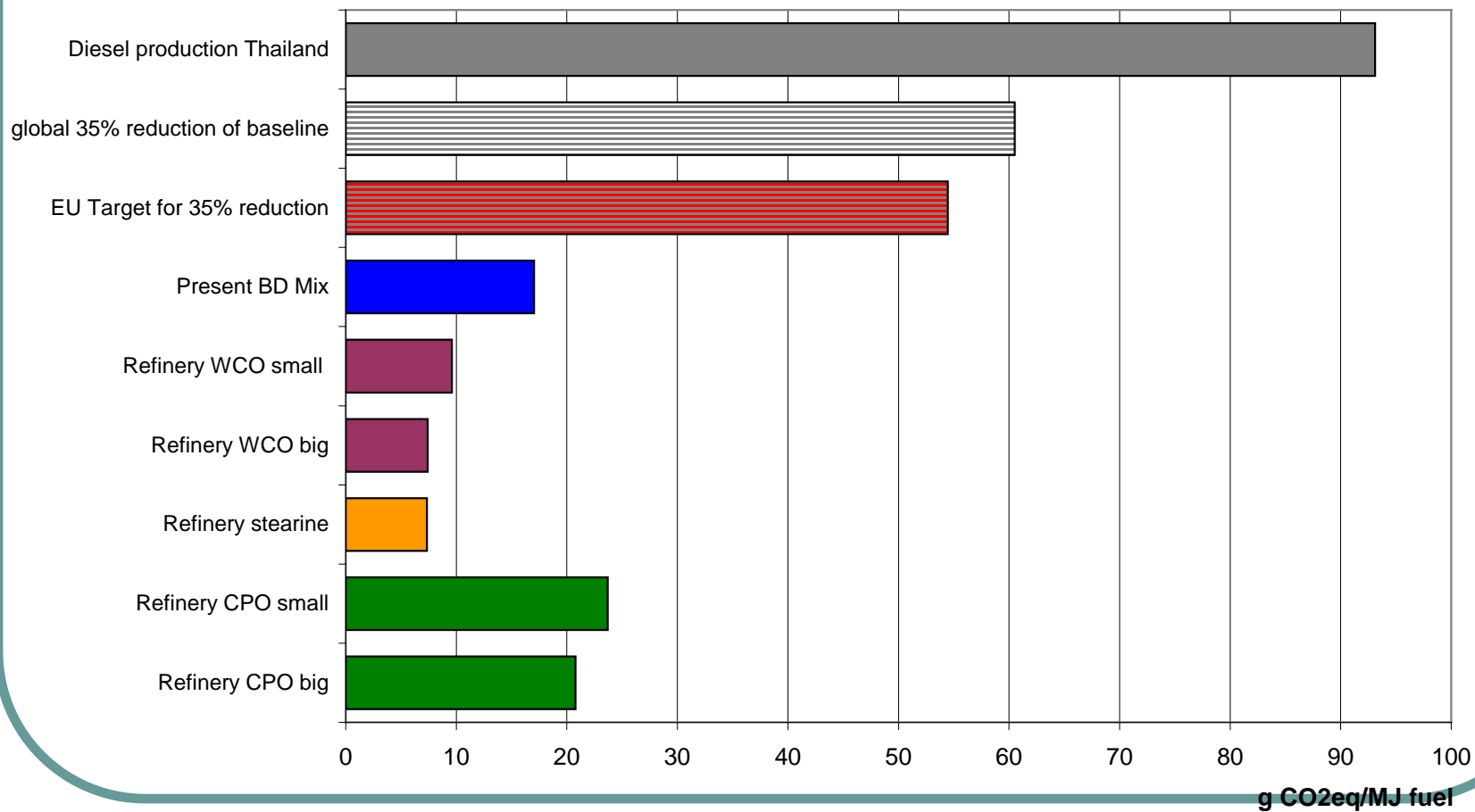
# bioethanol\*



\* Final values in g CO<sub>2</sub>eq per MJ of cassava-ethanol for agriculture, transport, processing and refining but without CC or LUC

# GHG emissions results

**GHG Balance Biodiesel palm**



**Table 2: Land-use efficiency of different biofuel crops and expected yield improvements (global averages)**

<i>Biofuel type</i>	<i>Yields, 2010 (litres/ha)</i>		<i>Average improvement per year, 2010-50</i>	<i>Resulting yields in 2050 (Lge or Lde/ha)</i>	<i>Main co-product, 2010 values, (Kg/L biofuel)</i>
	<i>nominal</i>	<i>Lde or Lge</i>			
<b>Ethanol - conventional</b> (average yield of feedstocks below)	3 300	2 300	0.7%	3 000	
Sugar beet	4 000	2 800	0.7%	3 700	Beet pulp (0.25)
Corn	2 600	1 800	0.7%	2 400	DDGS (0.3)
<b>Ethanol - cane</b>	4 900	3 400	0.9%	4 800	Bagasse (0.25)
<b>Cellulosic-ethanol - SRC*</b>	3 100	2 200	1.3%	3 700	Lignin (0.4)
<b>Biodiesel - conventional</b> (average yield of feedstocks below)	2 000	1 800	1.0%	2 600	FAME: Glycerine (0.1)
Rapeseed	1 700	1 500	0.9%	2 100	Presscake (0.6)
Soy	700	600	1.0%	900	Soy bean meal (0.8)
Palm	3 600	3 200	1.0%	4 800	Empty fruit bunches (0.25)

	<b>Yield (gross)</b> Giga joule per hectare per year	<b>Required agricultural land</b> - To replace a quarter of the current global demand for transportation fuels (2) - In percentage points of what is available globally (3)
Sugar cane	104	17
Sugar beet	90	20
Palm oil	81	22
Maize	54	33
Wheat	45	40
Barley	20	91
Rape	20	91
Sunflowers	16	111
Soy beans	9	200

(1) from: Biomass for food or fuel: Is there a dilemma? Louise O. Fresco. Amsterdam University. The Duisenberg Lecture, Singapore 19 September, 2006

(2) 45 EJ/year

(3) 2.5 billion ha

**Table 2.2 Indication of land required for the production of biomass (1) (Cramer 2007).**

<b>Crop</b>	<b>kg oil/ha</b>	<b>litres oil/ha</b>	<b>lbs oil/acre</b>	<b>US gal/acre</b>
corn (maize)	145	172	129	18
cashew nut	148	176	132	19
oats	183	217	163	23
cotton	273	325	244	35
hemp	305	363	272	39
soybean	375	446	335	48
linseed (flax)	402	478	359	51
hazelnuts	405	482	362	51
pumpkin seed	449	534	401	57
mustard seed	481	572	430	61
camelina	490	583	438	62
sesame	585	696	522	74
safflower	655	779	585	83
sunflower	800	952	714	102
cocoa (cacao)	863	1,026	771	110
peanuts	890	1,059	795	113
rapeseed (Canola)	1,000	1,190	893	127
olives	1,019	1,212	910	129
castor beans	1,188	1,413	1,061	151
jojoba	1,528	1,818	1,365	194
jatropha	1,590	1,892	1,420	202
macadamia nuts	1,887	2,246	1,685	240
Brazil nuts	2,010	2,392	1,795	255
avocado	2,217	2,638	1,980	282
coconut	2,260	2,689	2,018	287
oil palm	5,000	5,950	4,465	635

**Table 2.1 - Yields for Various Vegetable Oil Sources (Wikipedia 2007)**