

Urban Development TIPS

Introducing urban development laws, institutions, and initiatives, this issue features the **Decision on Construction Management**

The Decision on Construction Management was revised in 2019 (MPWT Ministerial Approval No.2241, 2019). It sets out measures to ensure that construction is standardized, safe, aesthetical, meets specific requirements and is in harmony with the surrounding environment and the terms of urban planning. The main components of the Decision are as follows;

- General provisions such as objectives and definitions (Articles 1-4)
- Types and Levels of Construction Permit Authorization (Articles 5,6)
- Terms and Conditions of Urban Land Use, Site Survey and Design, Plans (Articles 7-9)
- Verification Procedures (Articles 10-13)
- Construction Monitoring (Articles 14-17)
- Obligations and Duties of Developer and Contractors (Articles 18-19)
- Prohibitions (Articles 20-21)
- Obligations and Duties of Urban Management Authority (Articles 22-26)
- Inspection, Problem or Dispute Settlement in Development Control (Articles 27-29)
- Rewards for Outstanding Performers and Measures against Violators (Articles 30-36) etc.

The above prohibitions(Articles 20-21) are defined as unpermitted construction by individuals and legal entities, construction that does not comply with the permitted construction plan, design that does not comply with regulations and standards, etc., and the individuals, legal entities or organisations that violate this Decision shall be subjected to warnings, educational measures, disciplinary actions, fines, civil and criminal measures depending on the seriousness thereof(Article 31) .

What we can do.

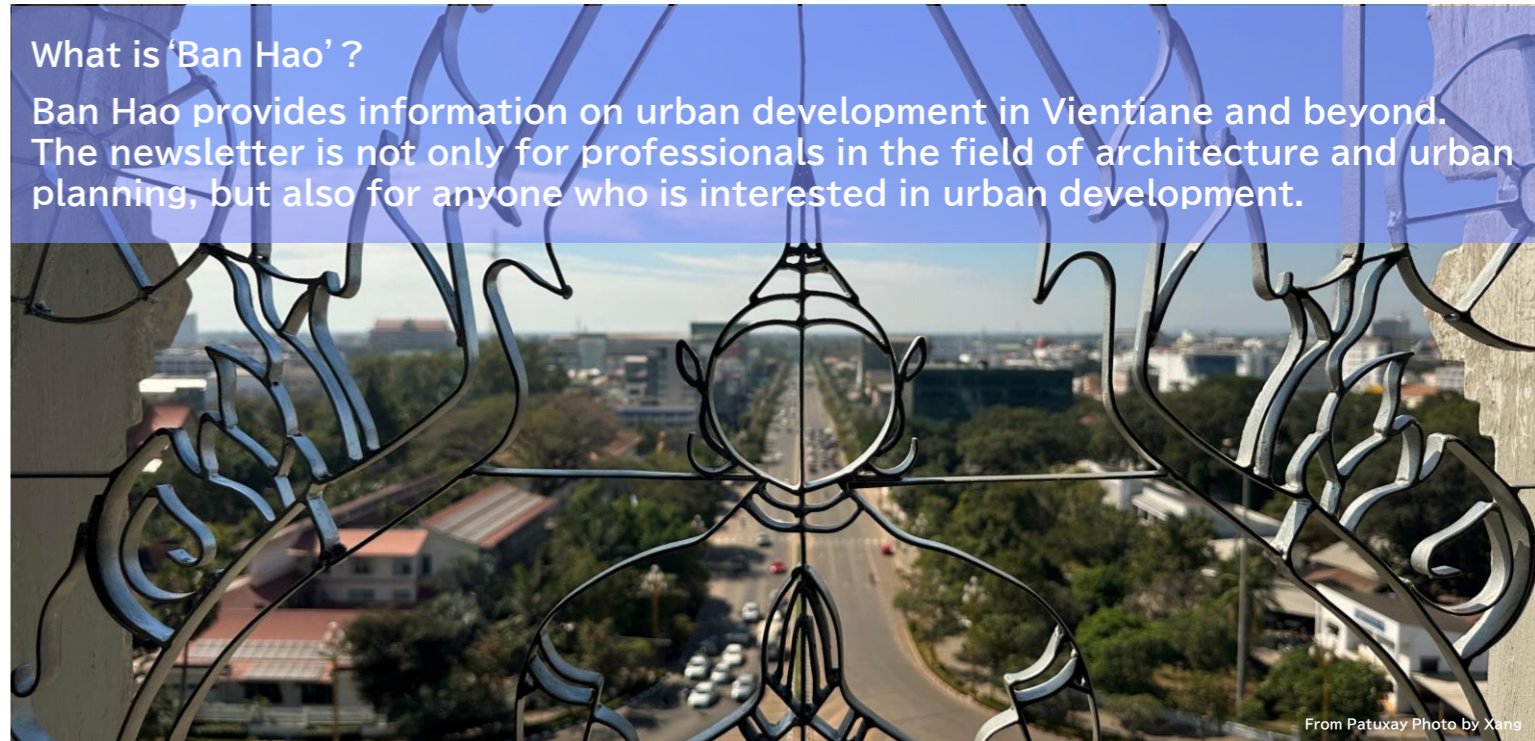
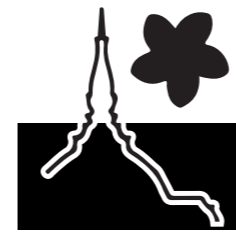
The construction permits procedure* is carried out in accordance with this Decision on Construction Management. For a safe Vientiane, submit the application on Construction Permits before starting construction.

The application available on VirGo website; <https://virgo.mpwt.gov.la>

*For more information on construction permit procedures, see ' Urban Development TIPS ' in the first issue of Ban Hao.



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A safer Vientiane, with your action.

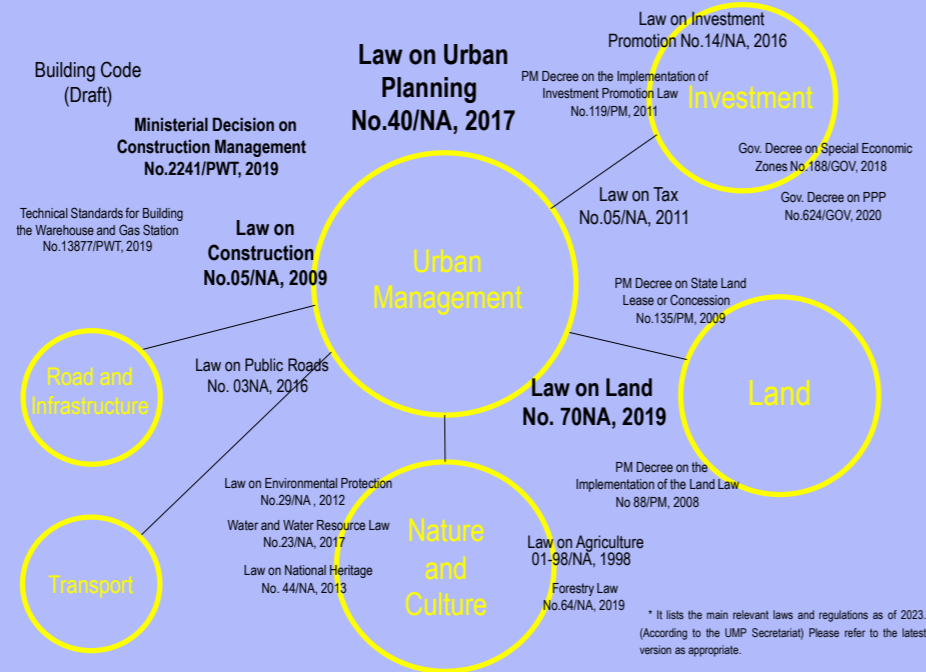
Start by knowing the rules on urban development.

If your house or building catches fire, can fire engines and ambulances get through? Are there any buildings around you that could be dangerous? If you plan to build on a plot of land that does not connect to a road, wait a minute. It's not just your problem. If your building is dangerous, it may also endanger people living in the city. For example, 'construction permits' are rules to check the design and construction of a building before and during construction, but also help protect you and your loved ones. Knowing the rules and taking the correct action will lead to a safer city.

What rules are there regarding Urban Development?

Urban Development involves not only urban planning, but also many laws and regulations relating to land management, environmental conservation, construction of roads and other infrastructure, building safety, etc. These are interrelated and effective only if they are complied with properly.

Therefore, the MPWT and other relevant ministries and agencies, as well as Vientiane Capital are engaged in various tasks such as surveys and planning, procedures and monitoring, in accordance with these laws and regulations, in order to create a safe and beautiful city. Are you interested in this? You can find out more about the laws and regulations on urban development and on the VirGo website.



A Video to help you understand the rules Making-of feature

A video has been produced to enable understanding of the decision on Construction Management and the decision on Building Code*.



In order to familiarise the public with the systems and standards relating to construction and building safety, a video featuring representatives of the Ministry of Public Works and Transport was produced to explain the relevant provisions in an easy-to-understand manner. It is hoped that developers and construction companies, including general building owners as well as professionals, will become familiar with these systems, leading to safer urban development. *The building code is currently being developed with the JICA's cooperation.

Report

The 6th Urban Management Platform Meeting (UMP#6) in six districts. Safety for our city 'Ban Hao' - through the Construction Permits system and Building Code -

Ministry of Public Works and Transport held the 6th Urban Management Platform Meeting (UMP) meeting under the theme of "safety for our city" through compliance with Construction Permits and Building Code between the end of January and the beginning of February at 6 districts as Xaythany, Xaysettha, Chanthabouly, Naxaiythong, Sisattanak, and Sikhottabong. After the screening of videos to rise awareness, DHUP and DPWT officials explained the application procedure and standards to enhance public understanding. The meeting was chaired by the head and deputy of each district and was a great success, with lively discussions, including participants stressing the importance of compliance.

