Overview of National REDD+ Programme and Update on Progress

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What is REDD+?

- An international policy designed to provide positive incentives from industrialised countries to reduce emissions from the forestry sector in developing countries
- There 5 eligible REDD+ activities:
 - 1. Reduce deforestation
 - 2. Reduce forest degradation
 - 3. Forest Carbon Conservation
 - 4. Sustainable forest management
 - 5. Enhancement of forest carbon stock

☐ Why do we need REDD+?

- Global forest loss causes 17% of global greenhouse gas emissions
- REDD+ is designed to reduce these emissions, and mitigate climate change

☐ Why do we implement REDD+ in Cambodia?

- REDD+ is a key element of the National Forest Programme of the Royal Government of Cambodia
- It is mandated by Decisions of the UNFCCC which are supported by the Royal Government
- REDD+ can provide significant benefits to Cambodia, such as economic development, support to society, and protection of the environment, especially forests and wildlife

Overview of UN-REDD Programme

- The Cambodia REDD+ Programme design is based on the Cambodian REDD+ Roadmap – developed by an interim interagency Taskforce
- It is intended to support the development of national REDD+ strategies and for building capacities in REDD+ related areas
- In Cambodia, the Programme has three national implementing partners, the FA, GDANCP and FiA and it will engage with a broad range of stakeholders inside and outside government
- It is supported by the UN-REDD Programme (FAO, UNDP, UNEP), JICA, the Embassy of Japan and other donors

Expected Outcome Components

- 1. Effective management of National REDD+ Readiness process including effective stakeholder engagement
- 2. Development of REDD+ Strategies and a framework for their implementation at national level
- Improved capacity to manage REDD+ at Subnational levels
- 4. A forest monitoring system, REL framework and capacity for their implementation are developed

Ways of Achieving Outcomes

- Highly coordinated multi-stakeholder approach:
 - Interagency Taskforce
 - Interagency Secretariat
 - Focus on awareness raising, consultation and coordination
- Collaborative approach with existing strategies other donors and programmes to support development:
 - Maintaining a strong focus on existing forest management strategies
 - Working with other donor initiatives supporting REDD+
- Initial focus on capacity building, support to existing initiatives, and understanding potential costs and benefits

1. Effective National REDD+ Readiness Process

Establishment of key bodies

- Establishment of PEB
- Establishment of Taskforce
- Initial Taskforce Training

Stakeholder engagement

- Focus should be on a process of awareness raising for stakeholders and training for core staff
- Increasing access to information on the programme through the creation of a programme website

Operational Structure

NATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE Main Government Coordination mechanism for

- Main Government Coordination mechanism for climate change

REDD+ CONSULTATION GROUP

- Civil society and NGO
 - Private sector
 - Academic groups

CAMBODIA REDD+ TASKFORCE

- Chair: FA
- Deputy Chair: GDANCP
- FA, GDANCP, MLMUPC, FiA, MEF, MoI, MRD, MIMF

NATIONAL PROGRAMME DIRECTOR (FA)
DEPUTY NPD (GDANCP)

TASKFORCE SECRETARIAT (= UN REDD Programme Management Unit)

- Chief: FA
- Vice-Chief: GDANCP
- Government Representatives (FA, GDANCP, FiA)
- Other supporting staff

UN-REDD PROGRAMME EXECUTIVE BOARD

(= Key Taskforce members + REDD+ Advisory Group)

- Chair: Chair of REDD+ Taskforce
- Co-Chair: UN Resident Coordinator, or designate
- NPD (FA) and Deputy NPD (GDANCP), FiA
- FAO, UNDP, UNEP, Civil Society and Indigenous People
- Donor representative(s) (invited to join)

Programme Assurance Team

-FAO, UNDP, UNEP team responsible for providing support and programmatic oversight

Consultation and Safeguards Technical Team

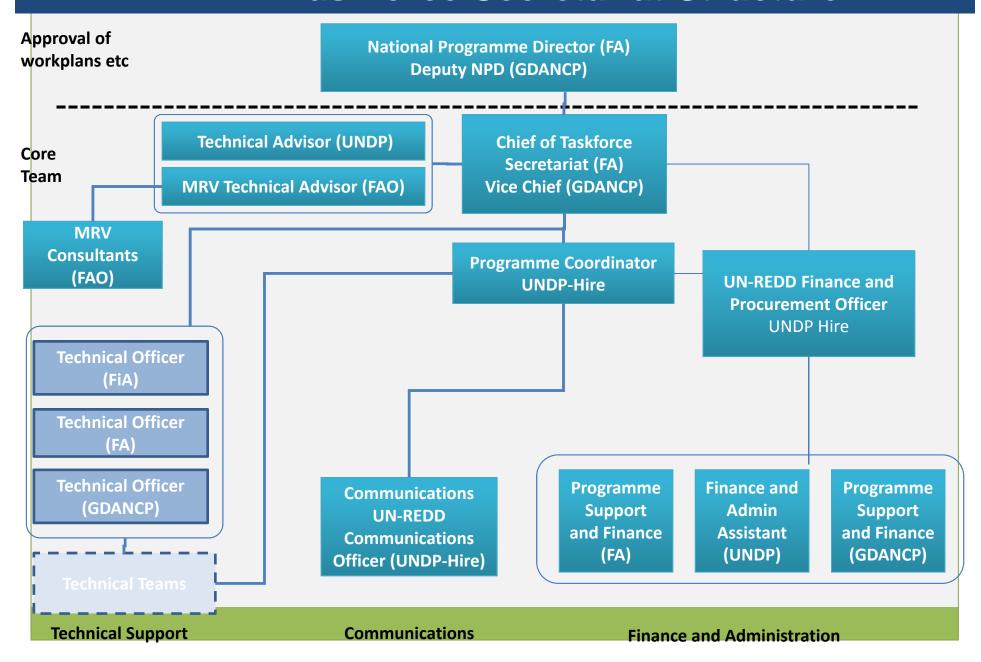
FA, GDANCP, MRD...

TeamFA, GDANCP, MEF, FiA, ...

REDD+ Demonstration Technical TeamFA, GDANCP, FiA, ...

MRV/REL Technical Team FA, GDANCP, MLMUPC, FiA...

REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat Structure



2. Development of Strategy and Implementation framework

- Agencies will be conducting initial assessments of what REDD+ could mean for their strategic plans
- Initial work will be carried out to look at the potential costs and benefits from REDD+ within different forest areas
- Continued work on capacity building within and information sharing in key areas including benefit sharing, linkages between national and subnational approaches, importance of safeguards

3. Improved capacity to manage REDD+ at subnational level

- Focus on completion of existing pilot projects
- Identification of priority areas at the subnational level

4. Development of a forest monitoring system, REL framework

- Will focus on capacity building of key government agencies and other stakeholders
- Work on assessing different approaches to forest monitoring

Update on Progress

