



Piloting FPIC

Lessons Learnt from Viet Nam

Brief information

Lessons learnt

What has been done since FPIC ?

Where/When did we start ?

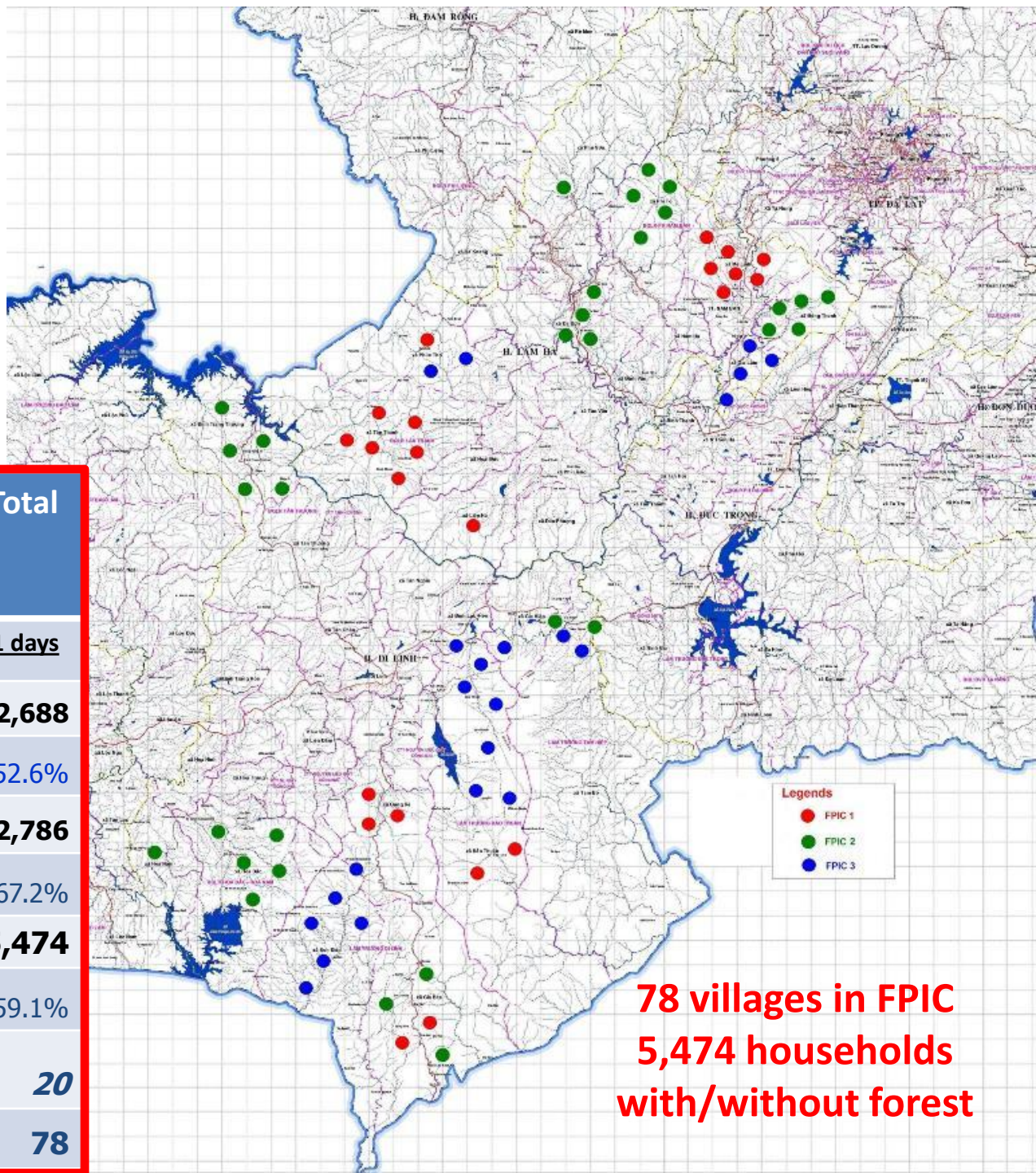
- In early Jan 2010
- Without any guidance, rather than:
 - 6 page information **Proposal for an approach to ensure Free, Prior, Informed Consent from Ethnic Minorities in Lam Ha and Di Linh Districts, Lam Dong province for UN-REDD programme activities in those districts**
 - 2 page **Helping you to decide about the UN-REDD project in your district**
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Piloting in brief

When ?

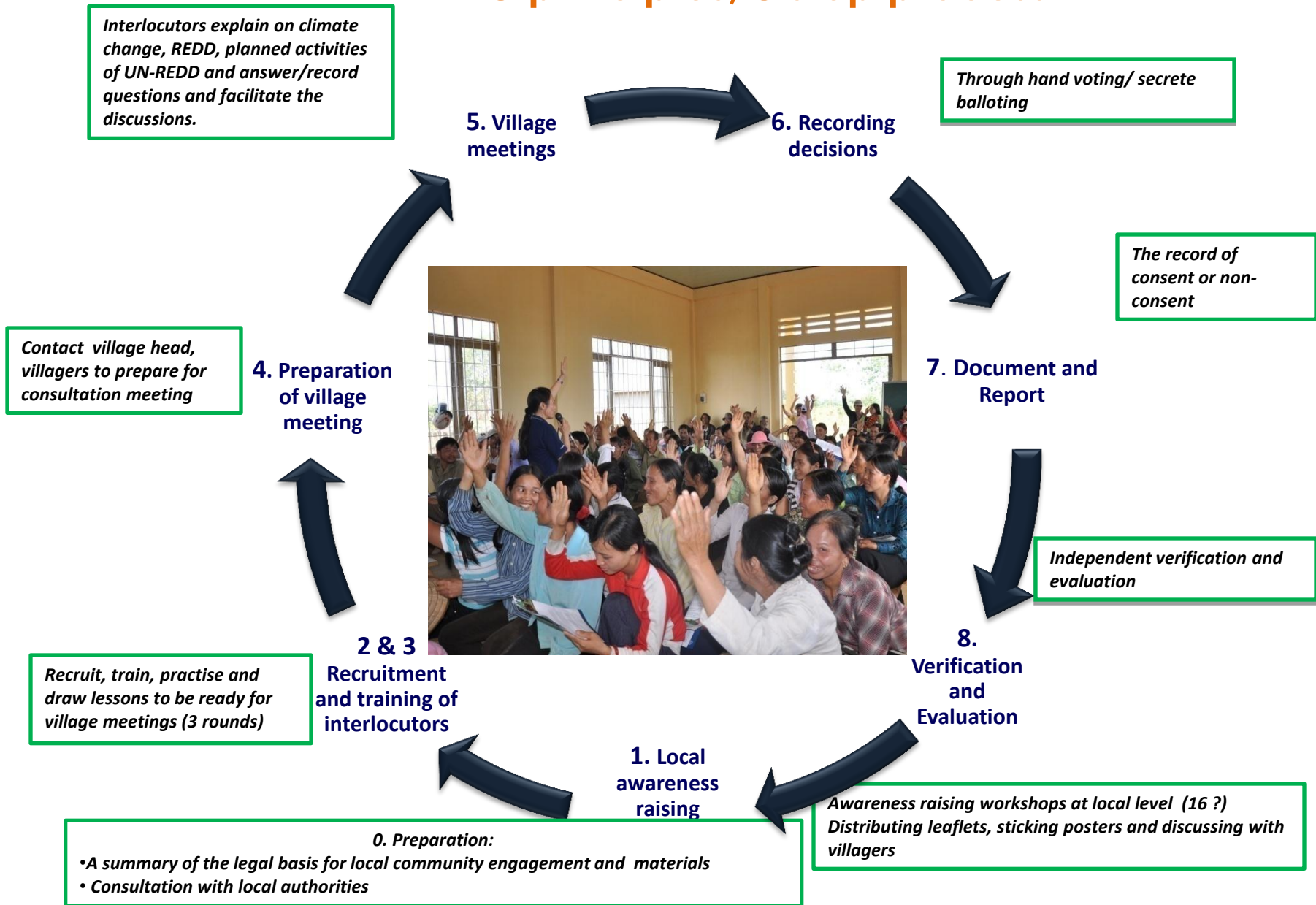
Started at the **4th month** of programme and spread throughout of 5^{1/2} months **Jan-Jun 2010**

Dist.	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Total
	10-17.4	17-23.5	6-11.6	21 days
Lam Ha	870	1,295	523	2,688
	43%	57%	64%	52.6%
Di Linh	430	1,014	1,342	2,786
	54%	63.2%	77%	67.2%
Total	1,300	2,309	1,865	5,474
	46%	59.6%	72.6%	59.1%
Communes	7	7	6	20
Villages	22	31	25	78



78 villages in FPIC
5,474 households
with/without forest

FPIC principles, 8 step process



Who gave consent?

Consent was sought from [household]:

- **local ethnic minority people**
- **migrant ethnic minority people**
- **migrant Kinh people**

who lived in the village at the time of FPIC

What was consent given for?

UN-REDD activities at field level

Poster here ???

What are the Lessons Learnt ?

Issues / Measures

- **Step 0: Preparation**

- Lack of commune/village socio-economic data
- Lack of usable communication materials
- Limited local Gov't readiness
- Lack of time for this step

Difficult to plan without sufficient information

What are the Lessons Learnt ?

Issues / Measures

- **Step 1: Awareness raising**
 - Unfamiliar concept of CC and REDD+: link to local existing programme/mechanism
 - Limited times : more times and multi phased awareness raising
 - Cost/effective use of mobile facilitators

What are the Lessons Learnt ?

Issues / Measures

- **Step 2+3: Recruit & train facilitator**
 - Not easy to get the right candidate
[Age/Gender/Ethnic/Knowledge/Skills]
 - Train both substance/facilitation skills
 - Over-burdened/expected role of facilitators
 - Need more time for training = multi-phased training
 - Good to have the **Manual for facilitator** after phases

What are the Lessons Learnt ?

Issues / Measures

- **Step 4: Prepare for village meeting**
 - Planning
 - Role of village head
 - Pre-check

 - Need separation between logistic arrangement and substance of the meeting

What are the Lessons Learnt ?

Issues / Measures

- **Step 5: Village meeting**
 - Facilitation (logistic plus substance)
 - Mobilize help from local people
(max 100 pax/meeting, some in the evening)





What are the Lessons Learnt ?

Issues / Measures

- **Step 6: Recording decision**
 - Balloting: hand-raising, balloting, secret balloting

What are the Lessons Learnt ?

Issues / Measures

- **Step 7: Document and Reporting**
 - Lack of minute
 - Different information required

What are the Lessons Learnt ?

Issues / Measures

- **Step 8: Evaluation and Verification**
- With no prior experience of FPIC in the country, the process was very encouraging
- Progressive improvement from phases 1 to 3
- There was lack of mechanism, independent of the FPIC team, to review any complaint made by local people.

What have been done since FPIC?

- Set up of team of 21 village facilitators (district FPD, village head....)
- 4 village meetings to get feedback on E&V and adjusted process incl setup recourse mechanism

Feedback from 4 village meetings?

- More time for discussion
- Not too many meetings
- Individual vote preferable not through representative
- Local facilitator to be part of recourse mechanism
 - Add more on recourse mechanism: check phase 2 proposal

Recommendation for full FPIC

- Process institutionalized
- Sufficient time / funding
- Define when to start the process
- Other stakeholders in the process

- Subcontract to an NGO ?

Establishing a grievance mechanism

Principles:

- Single mechanism covering BDS and FPIC
- Accessible to all; maintains anonymity (if desired)
- Has legitimacy and is equitable and transparent in operation
- Respects performance standards
- Address grievance at local level first

All the engaged people have belief in the next steps!

