

Questions for Safeguards Working Group

Legal Compliance

1. What international commitments must Bangladesh consider when designing forest sector reforms?
2. Which other sectors will be affected by changes in forestry practice?
3. What are the legal and customary (traditional) rights of forest users that need to be upheld?

Consultation and Participation

4. Which interest groups / stakeholders must be involved in discussions on forest sector reform?
5. Which of these groups/stakeholders requires help to become fully involved?
6. What are the barriers to full participation?
7. What misunderstandings may arise if consultations are not properly conducted?
8. How can these misunderstandings be addressed?
9. How do local livelihoods suffer as a result of poor forest policy?
10. What can be done to ensure local livelihoods are enhanced?

Environmental risks

11. How may poor forestry practice negatively affect biodiversity?

12. How can we alleviate the risk to biodiversity?

13. How may poor forestry practice cause environmental damage

14. How can this damage be minimized?

15. How can we ensure that improvements are sustainable in the long term?

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16. What can you do to help design REDD+ safeguards for Bangladesh, using your skills and knowledge?

17. How much time can you give for this work?

18. What are the key objectives of the Safeguards Working Group and how will they be achieved?

19. How will the Group meet and communicate?

20. What support does the Group need?