

# **ព្រះរាខារលរាចគ្រក់ទុខា** ជាតិ សាសនា ព្រះមហាក្សត្រ

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Dr. Ha Cong Tuan Vice Minister, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development Director General, Vietnam Administration of Forestry (VNFOREST) 2 Ngoc Ha, Ba Dinh, Ha Noi Vietnam

Subject: Proposal on Study Tour to Vietnam on REDD+ Readiness activities

Dear Dr. Ha Cong Tuan,

The Royal Government of Cambodia is implementing REDD+ readiness activities in order to get ready to participate in an international REDD+ Mechanism. We began working on this in 2008 with the first REDD+ pilot project, followed in 2010 with the development of a REDD+ Roadmap developed through a comprehensive process involving many stakeholders and relevant Ministries. Similar to Vietnam, Cambodia has received support for this process through the UN-REDD National programme and Forest Carbon Partnership Facility.

In line with the REDD+ Roadmap the Royal Government of Cambodia has established a REDD+ Taskforce with 10 senior members representing relevant Ministries for implementation of REDD+. This includes Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Ministry of Land Management Urban Planning and Construction, Ministry of Rural Development, Ministry of Industry Mines and Energy, Ministry of Environment, Secretariat of Economic Land Concession and Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries with three representatives including Fisheries Administration and Forestry Administration. The Taskforce is responsible for the overall management of the REDD+ readiness process and will be the primary coordination and decision making body within the Government of Cambodia. The Taskforce will provide oversight of programmes working on REDD+ and coordinate these with existing or new programmes within the sector and take a lead in the development of the national REDD+ strategy and implementation framework.

From our participation in UN-REDD and FCPF meetings we have learned about the impressive progress done with REDD+ in Vietnam and we have now plans for a study tour for the REDD+ Taskforce members from 7 to 11 October 2013 through a contract with RECOFTC where we also look forward to have a meeting with Vietnam Administration of Forestry (VNFOREST) as the REDD focal point for Vietnam.

Kindly refer to the attached tentative itinerary of the proposed study tour prepared in consultation with Mr. Nguyen Quang Tan of RECOFTC Vietnam.

The proposed study tour aims to expose the Members of the Cambodia REDD+ Taskforce to REDD+ activities in Vietnam in order to learn about the REDD+ readiness process in Vietnam and hopes to cover a range of issues relevant for REDD+: Capacity building, Safeguards, Benefit Distribution System etc., which also include a field visit to Lam Dong.

Lhope that the above request will merit your kind consideration and approval. I am looking forward to a springly collaboration with Vietnam Administration of Forestry.

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Delegate of the Royal Government

Chief of the Forestry Administration Wa

#### Study Tour Agenda Tentative

Updated on: Aug 26, 2013

Visit to: Vietnam

Organization: Government officials

Country: Cambodia

Number of participants: 10

Duration: 5 days Time: Oct 7 - 11, 2013

Organizer: VNFOREST (Vietnam REDD Office) and RECOFTC

Objectives: This is an exposure visit related to REDD+ activities in Vietnam for the Members of the Cambodia REDD Task Force to learn about REDD+ readiness process in Vietnam:

Time	Activity	Remarks			
Day 0 (6 October 2013)					
18:30	Arrival in Hanoi (VN 3866) & Hotel Check-in				
Day 1 (7 October 2013)					
Morning	- Courtesy visit to VNFOREST, RECOFTC and VRO.				
Afternoon	<ul> <li>Round Table discussion on various topics including but not limited to: capacity building, safeguards, Benefit Distribution System (BDS), FPIC.</li> </ul>				
	Overnight in Hanoi				
Day 2 (8 October 2013)					
Morning	Travel to Da Lat (VN7565), arrive in Da Lat at 12:40				
Afternoon	<ul> <li>Courtesy visit to Lam Dong People's Committee</li> <li>Meeting with Lam Dong REDD+ team, SNV</li> </ul>				
	Overnight in Da Lat (Lam Dong)				
Day 3 (9 October 2013)					
Morning	Visit UNREDD Phase 1 / RECOFTC site (Lam Ha or Di Linh				

	district)				
Afternoon	Afternoon - Travel to Bao Loc district (by car)				
	Overnight in Bao Loc district (Lam Dong)				
Day 4 (10 October 2013)					
Morning	- Visit SNV site in Bao Loc district				
Afternoon	- Travel back to Da Lat (by car)				
	- Team debriefing				
	Overnight in Da Lat (Lam Dong)				
Day 5 (11 October 2013)					
Morning	- Travel to Ho Chi Minh city (VN 1381)				
Afternoon	- Travel back to Cambodia (VN 3855)				

## Study Tour to Vietnam on REDD Readiness activities 7-11 October 2013

#### **Tentative List of Participant**

N	Name	Institution	REDD+ Taskforce
1	Mr. So Thea	Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries	Alternate (Chair)
2	Mr. Kim Nong	Ministry of Environment	Vice Chair
3	H.E Cheam Pe A	Ministry of Interior	Member
4	H.E Net Mony	Ministry of Economy and Finance	Member
5	Ms. Pov Vorleak	Ministry of Industry Mines and Energy	Member
6	Mr. Samkhan Dy	Ministry of Environment	Member
7	Mr. Ouk Vibol	Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries	Member
8	Dr. Keo Omaliss	Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries	Member
9	Mr. Dok Doma	Ministry of Rural Development	Member
10	Mr. Sao Vary	Ministry of Land Management Urban Planning and Construction	Member