

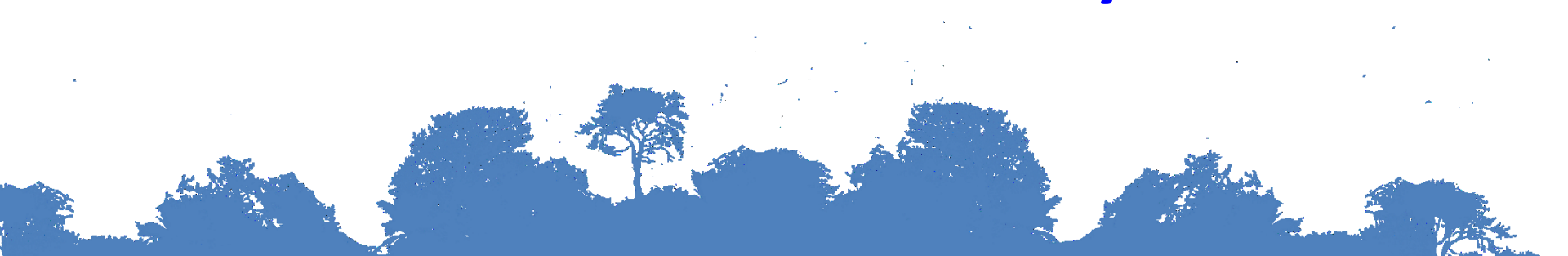
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The Vision for REDD+ in Malaysia

Long term vision:

- *To assure that forest resources and their ecosystem services are secured, and that benefits are shared fairly and equitably among all stakeholders;*
- *Two prong approach:*
 - *Cost effective short term measures*
 - *Enhance forest management*
 - *Landscape based management*
 - *Managing forest for its resources and ecosystem services*
- The REDD+ Strategy supports the implementation of the 10th and 11th Malaysian Development Plans.



The Framework for REDD+ / REDD+ NS/AP in Malaysia

- No legal prohibition to implement REDD+ in the Malaysia's Federal Constitution, forest and land laws;
- No need to repeal or amend any legal provision;
- National Land Council mandates; and
- REDD+ enhances the implementation of National Forest Policy, National Climate Change Policy, National Biological Diversity Policy and 10th (Valuing National Capital) and 11th Malaysian (Pursuing Green Growth) Development Plans.



Involvement of Relevant Cross-sectoral Sectoral Actors in the REDD+ Vision

- Awareness and capacity building workshops;
- Ministry of Primary Industries & Commodities (MPIC), Ministry of Agriculture (MoA), Economic Planning Unit, MoF and Sub National governments besides NRE and Forestry Departments;
- Identification of additional roles and functions as appropriate;
- Dedicated discussions with targeted Ministries and agencies; and
- Stakeholder workshops first initially with government agencies and later with broader groups.



Strategic Decision Made Related to the Shorter-term Vision for REDD+

- To focus on SFM and conservation activities in line with the 10th Development Plan;
 - Central Forest Spine and Heart of Borneo Projects, and
 - FRL developed considered SMF and conservation
- Due to the national circumstances, scale of implementation is at national level;
- Drivers of deforestation – addressed through the Economic Transformation Programmes;
- Implementation is through the Sub national governments with NGOs and ILC participation as appropriate; and
- Implementation will be through directives of the National Land Council.



Challenges Encountered with Developing a Vision for REDD+

- National development plan is done once every five years. Focus may change;
- National budgets are usually allocated at the beginning of the development plan for the 5 years period. Difficult to obtain additional financing in between the five years;
- Quantitative data especially on the potential impacts of climate change on forest is limited to make informed decision; and
- Increasing cost of forest management and international requirements coupled with REDD+ requirements.



Questions/advice to the UN-REDD Programme

- Are there tools to develop effective vision?
- Guidance on developing key milestones to achieve the vision especially for medium and long term milestones.



Thank You

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