

# INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' RIGHTS IN REDD

## HOW TO SECURE LOCAL RIGHTS AT NATIONAL AND GLOBAL LEVEL



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# Reduce Emission from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD) CHANCES AND CHALLENGES



# CHANCES for Indigenous Peoples

- Global awareness on the cause/driver of deforestation and forest degradation.
- Broaden ideas and initiatives on saving the remain forests
- Recognition on the Indigenous Peoples' stewardship and ownership to forests and promote indigenous ways of conservation, sustainable forest management.
- Recognition of Indigenous Peoples' Rights and implementation of UNDRIP in local, national and international level.
- Benefit for Indigenous communities



# CHALLENGES TO REDD

## INTERNATIONAL

- Some countries/States and UNFCCC still unconfident to recognize Indigenous Peoples Rights
- Global demand for palm oil and extractive industries (for examples) still very high. REDD versus.. ?
- Conflict of Interest among international actors
- Limited inclusion of Indigenous Peoples participation in the international negotiation
- What is the blue print ?



# CHALLENGES TO REDD

## National Issues (Non Annex countries)

- Complexity of problems in national level
- The situation of Indigenous Peoples' Rights are vary in different countries
- Specific data on Indigenous Peoples very limited
- Conflict of Interest in the Government Body
- Corruption in the Govt. Institution, from national to local level.
- Economic Development to much rely on the exploitation of natural resources.



# CHALLENGES TO REDD

## LOCAL ISSUES

- Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC)
- Indigenous Territory VS State's. Administration Border
- Mix communities (Indigenous, Local, Transmigrant) – could raised overlap land claims.
- Weakening of Customary Institutions – Govt. establish other local institutions to represent the communities.
- Refusal from the community on REDD based on their experience with previous International initiatives (protected areas, conservation areas, national park etc)



# CHALLENGES TO UN-REDD

**Question :**

**What is the Blue Print among UN Agencies, World Bank, GEF etc to address the Rights of Indigenous Peoples within the international framework and national programme ?**



# REMAINING CONCERNS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REDD

- How to ensure FPIC ?
- Who will have benefit ? From who ? If the community will have the benefit, in what form ? How will the arrangements be ? Who will arrange ? Who will have the authority and responsibility ?
- Is there any guaranty that the community will still own the forest as well as having access to use forest products ?
- How to ensure REDD won't divided the community and create conflicts ?
- Who will negotiate with the community ? Government ? Other party ?
- How far the international talks on REDD will influence Voluntary Market ? Since the voluntary market seems moving faster then the UN etc.





# OTHER CHALLENGES TO REDD

## Other Initiative from Climate Change Mitigation → Bio/Agrofuels

- Contra productive and threat to REDD. Facts, bio/agrofuel plantations (oil palm, soy and sugar cane in other countries) is one of the major caused of deforestation.
- How are this 2 initiatives will get along together ? While the REDD initiative is discussed, the expansion of plantation keep destroying remaining forests – the demand from consumer still very high.
- While the expansion of oil palm plantation keep going, the old problems are still remaining (intimidation, deception, violence, kidnapping, murder, arrest, land grabbing, environmental damage etc)
- REDD vs BIO/AGROFUELS → CONFLICT
- More challenges in bio/agrofuels leading countries whose also keen to have REDD funds



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