Meeting Minutes MRV/REL Technical Team

Date: 09 April 2014

Time: 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM Venue: Imperial Hotel

Participants:

- 1- Mr. Khorn Saret, DD-DFC/FA
- 2- Mr. Leng Chivin, DD-DFC/FA
- 3- Mr. Uy Kamal, DD-MoE/ GDANCP
- 4- Mr. Sokha Sophorn, DD-MoE/ GDANCP
- 5- Mr. Seab Kimsrim, DFC/FA
- 6- Mrs. Hout Naborey, DFC/FA
- 7- Mr. Mathieu Van Rijn, Forestry Officer, FAO
- 8- Ms. Seangly Kheang, National Programme Assistant, FAO
- 9- Mr. Tim Chorn, FAO

Meeting Objective

- 1. To finalize the MRV/REL Work plan (detailed agenda and list of attendees are attached)
- 2. To discuss the proposal to the Taskforce on National Forest Definition for REDD+
- 3. To follow-up on institutional arrangements for LULUCF GHG Inventory and introduce the Capacity Needs Assessment Survey
- 4. To follow-up on the last discussion on the creating of a map series and the consideration in regards to the reference period
- 5. To introduce the running test platform of the National Forest Management System (NFMS)

Meeting Result/Outputs (following the agenda)

1. Work plan MRV/	The Output 4.1 National MRV/REL (capacities and operations) and Output			
REL Technical	4.2 Develop National Forest Monitoring System (NFSM) plan (up to			
team	4.2.4.4) in the work plan were completed with an agreement among the attendees.			
	All activities and sub-activities under column C and D were broken down detailing responsible institution, location, and adding timeline where necessary. Additionally, notes and memos were added to provide remarks (see attached the updated Work plan for reference).			
2. Proposal to	A quick presentation on Forest Definition was given by Mr. Mathieu			
Taskforce on	VanRijn. The highlights are as follow:			
National forest				
definition for	a. The overview of Forest Definition (International) was based on 4			
<i>REDD</i> +	different sources: (i) IPCC 2006 guideline; (ii) UNFCCC Decision;			

- (iii) UNFCCC Decision (CoP19); (iv) FAO (FRA).
- b. The overview of Forest Definition (National) by highlighting (i) Law on Forestry; (ii) National Forest Programme (NFP); (iii) Cambodia afforestation and reforestation (AR-CDM) project activities following the observations and considerations as food of thought.

The Team agreed not to work on defining Forest Definition is it is now under discussion among government agencies. The National Forest Definition requires submitting to Director General (DG) for approval.

The team agreed to make different proposals on Forest Land (-use) definition and Land Cover, and Land Use Classification System to the Cambodian Government by following IPCC 2006 guidelines (tree classification: palm, bamboo, tree outside the forest, etc.).

3. Referenced period

Mr. Ono Shigeru (JICA) gave a short presentation via skype (from Japan) on Reference Period to determine RL/REL. He provided as below:

- 1) Overview of baseline:
- (a) Emission at a certain year in the past;
- (b) Average of the emission in the past;
- (c) Using historical data and by using modeling method a
- 2) Selection of historical period to be used in establishing REL
 - How to draw a baseline.
 - Simulation using hypothetical data
 - Graphs made from the data of Deforestation
 - Simulation of forest size of forested area.

Mr. One also suggested some useful references for reading and essentially what are existing documents that Cambodia already has.

He eventually suggested we would need to have a clear the timeframe and the specific period of years to determining RL/REL. However, this suggestion was not fully agreed by Mr. Chivin Leng because Cambodia does not have data of degradation and it does need technical reasons why the specific year/period is chosen. Mr. Chivin suggested it still needs to be discussed further.

4. NFMS Test platform

Mr. Stefano Giaccio gave his snapshot via skype (from Italy) on NFMS test web platform (http://nfms4redd.org/cambodia/?lang=km). This platform provides access to forest data in all provinces in Cambodia. Some data can be easily downloaded from the web platform once it is officially launched. The team agreed that it is a very useful web platform.

Mr. Chivin suggested that this web platform should be under the management and control of Forestry Administration (FA) after the official

launch. Since it is the NFMS, he also firmly suggested this should not publish or share anywhere.

Mr. Mathieu questioned that "is that possible to have a number of selected province's land/forest combined shown in a single view? And the expert said, yes.

Mr. Sareth gave his suggestion that the web platform needs to be approved by the higher ranking in charge person before official launching. FAO is supporting the hiring programmers/expert and needs to make the official letter to REDD+ secretariat (formally).

Next steps

- The next meeting is proposed to be held on April 24, 2014 starting from 2pm-5pm to finalize the MRV Work plan at the Forest Administration (FA).
- Another following meeting (date: May 5th, 2014) where all the MRV/REL team members at the province (to be determined). This is to be discussed further among team members.
- Ms. Seangly: to work on adjusting the breakdown of the work plan's activities.
- Mrs. Naborey: to send the minutes/reports of the meeting and the previous both in Khmer and English version to Mr. Mathieu and Cc Ms. Seangly for reference; this was suggested by Mr. Chivin.
- Due to time constraint, Mr. Kamal could not share his presentation on Institutional arrangements for LULUCFGHG Inventory and Capacity Needs Assessment Survey, thus the team agreed to move to next meeting agenda (to be determined).
- Team suggested having all meetings related documents to be stored in one CD and share among the team for reference.

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Agenda:

Time	Торіс	Responsible person			
8:00 - 8:30	Registration	Ms Seangly Kheang			
8:30 - 9:00	Opening & review of the agenda	Mr. Khon Saret			
9:00 - 12:00 (10:00-10:15 Break)	Workplan MRV/REL technical team (Finalization)	Mr. Leng Chivin			
12:00 - 13:00 Lunch					
13:00 -13:45	Proposal to Taskforce on National forest definition for REDD+	Mr. Mathieu van Rijn			
13:45-14:30	Institutional arrangements for LULUCF GHG Inventory	Mr. Uy Kamal			
14:30-14:45 break					
14:45 -15:15	Capacity Needs Assessment Survey	Mr. Uy Kamal/Ms Seangly Kheang			
15:15-15:45	Reference period	tbc with Jica TA			
15:45-16:15	NFMS test Webplatform	tbc with FAO Rome			
16:15 - 16:30	Open discussion/questions				
16:30-17:00	Closing of MRV/REL TT meeting and decision on date(s) of next meeting(s)	Mr. Khon Saret			

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