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Presentation on Progress Programme Update and Achievements

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Presented by: Mr. Khun Vathana



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Outcome 1

- The Taskforce has held the third and fourth meetings during the first quarter of 2014.
- The Consultation Group has held 2 meetings during the first quarter of 2014.
- The Technical Teams began meeting during the first quarter of 2014.

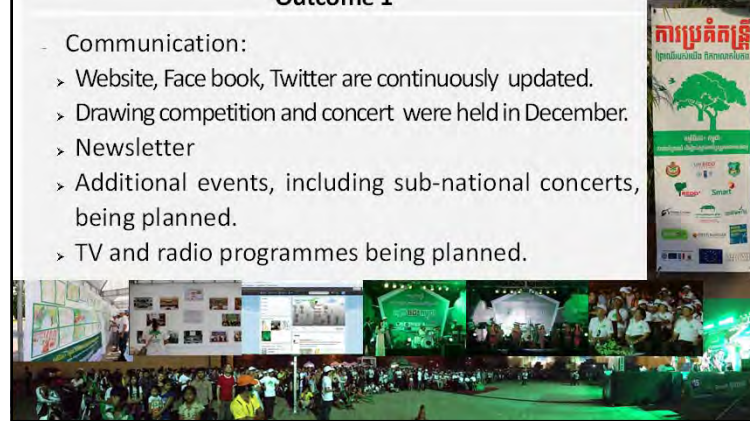


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Outcome 1

- Communication:
 - > Website, Face book, Twitter are continuously updated.
 - > Drawing competition and concert were held in December.
 - > Newsletter
 - > Additional events, including sub-national concerts, being planned.
 - > TV and radio programmes being planned.




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Outcome 1

- Development of a common set of communications materials:
 - REDD+ Glossary
 - COP decision on REDD+ booklet with summaries
 - Video and posters being developed for (Safeguards, benefit sharing, co-benefits from REDD+, and MRV)
- Many aspects of Cambodia's work are now being adopted by other countries through lessons learned in study tours.





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Outcome 2

- Baseline study from the activity: Building the Awareness and Support of REDD+ Among the Forest-Dependent Communities in Siem Reap.
- Field visit from five community leaders from Siem Reap to Oddar Meanchey REDD+ Project.
- Announcement for national and international consultants for the preparatory work for the Development of National Protected Areas Strategic Management Plan.





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Outcome 2

- National planning meeting on valuation of Forest Ecosystem and costs and benefits from implementing REDD+ in Cambodia.
- National meeting on assessment of existing benefit sharing distribution models used in Cambodia and other parts of the world relevant for REDD+ in Cambodia. Draft report prepared and consultation at provincial level is on-going (10 meetings).




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Outcome 2

- Synthesis report on the assessment of options in Cambodian Law for establishing a REDD+ Fund, including national consultation meeting.
- Draft report on safeguards : Preliminary review of safeguards for REDD+ in Cambodia.
- Next step: Consultation workshop to develop a proposal for safeguards.



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Outcome 3




- Study Tours from Myanmar and Thailand to study REDD+ (covered various issues, including demonstration projects)
 - Myanmar (9-13 January, 5 visitors)
 - Thailand (15-18 January, 24 visitors)
- One information brief on benefit sharing from WCS
- Contract with WCS covering activities under both outcome 2 and 3.


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Outcome 4

- **National Forest Inventory:**
 - Follow-up meetings with FA, GDANCP, FiA to discuss variables to be included in the NFI
 - Preparation of Draft NFI Field manual; shared for proof-reading
 - NFI field manual training (Deciduous, Semi-evergreen, Inundated forest) Siem Reap (Feb, 2014),
 - Class-room session on data analysis (Feb, 2014)
 - NFI field manual test in Koh Kong (Rear-mangrove, mangrove, evergreen forest) upon request from participants (March, 2014)
 - Compilation of feedback from FA, FAO, and participants to the NFI field manual training and testing; final draft completed


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Outcome 4

- **MRV/REL technical team meetings:**
 - Initial technical Team meeting (Jan 2014)
 - 6 follow-up MRV-REL technical team meetings; discussion topics so far included: Drafting of MRV/REL TT work plan, MRV/REL TT ToR, NFI Manual, GHG reporting, National Forest Definition, web platform development, map production, REDD+ implications at national vs subnational scales
- **GHG reporting and institutional operation:**
 - Capacity needs assessment survey prepared
 - Proposal for institutional arrangements drafted

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Outcome 4

- **Assessment and quantification of Drivers of deforestation and forest degradation:**
 - Assessment study on current data available on drivers of deforestation and forest degradation initiated
 - Joint workshop with USAID and JICA on assessment of drivers of (March 2014)
- **Web platform and Map series development:**
 - Re-interpretation of existing map data (FA 2010, FAO 2005, GDANCP 2007) using LCCS 3; national legend proposal developed; report in final draft stage
 - Compilation of data and development of a test web platform; current version ready for transfer to Cambodia
 - Ongoing discussion with MRV/REL TT and JICA on the production of consistent map series

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Presentation on the FCPF



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About FCPF

Status in Cambodia:

- In 2011, RGC submitted REDD+ Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP) to FCPF.
- In June, 2013, FCPF approved the R-PP.
- In Cambodia:
 - UNDP became a delivery partner for FCPF funding.
 - The implementing partner is the Forestry Administration (FA).
 - Responsible parties are GDANCP and Fishery Administration.
- In December, 2013, FCPF project document was signed by FA and UNDP.
- On 14 March 2014, an inception workshop was held to launch the project.

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Objective of the project

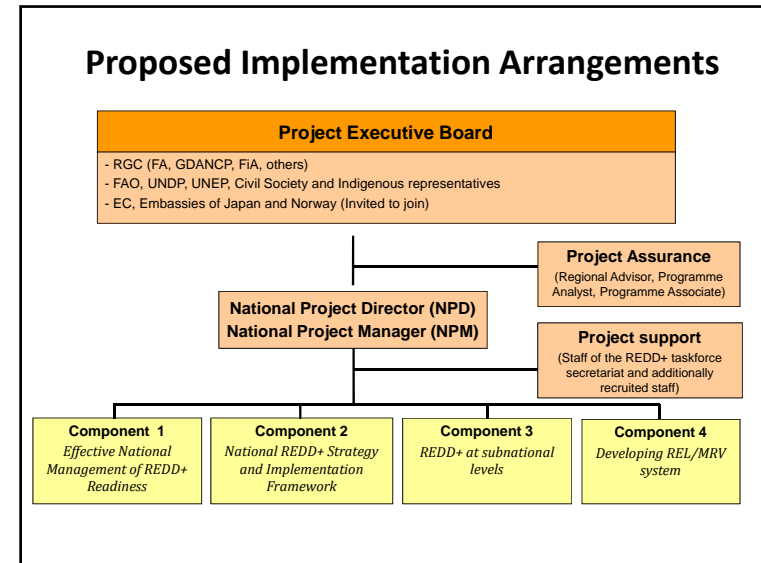
- To develop and enhance the Cambodian government's capacities for:
 1. Establishment of effective National Management of the REDD+ Readiness process and stakeholder engagement in accordance with the consultation principles
 2. Development of the National REDD+ Strategy and Implementation Framework
 3. Improved capacity to manage REDD+ at subnational levels
 4. Designing monitoring system for REDD+ with capacity for implementation



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Collaboration with other initiatives

Outcomes	Major supporting frameworks for REDD+ Cambodia					
	UN-REDD	CAM-REDD	FCPF	FAO's TCP-NFI	Projects in Community/Protected forests	Embassy of Japan
Outcome 1: Institutional Arrangements	W	V	√√			
Outcome 2: Strategies/policies	W	V	√√			
Outcome 3: Projects/Sub-national Development	V	W	V		W	W
Outcome 4: MRV/RELS/Reporting to GHG inventory	W	W	V	W	V	W



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Update on the Project Document

- Revision to project duration: from 3 to 3.5 years
- Revision to Annual Workplan
 - Revised budget from 2013 to 2017

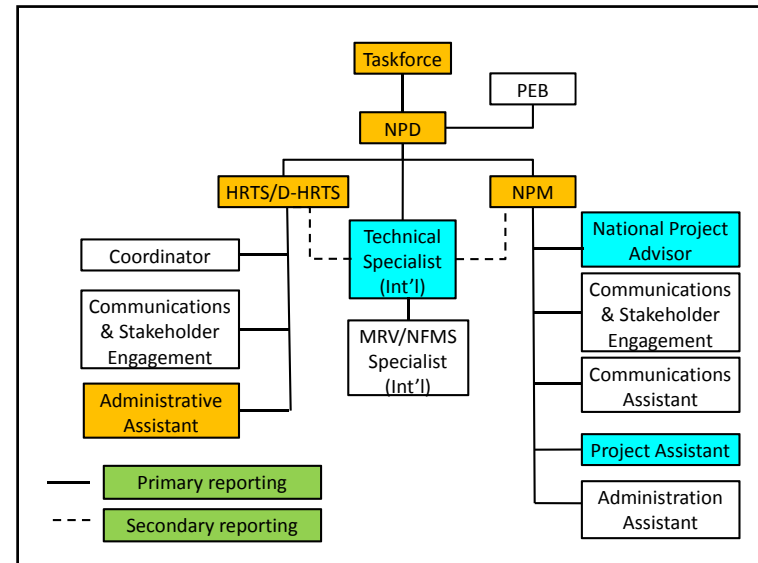
Year	Before revision (prodoc)	After revision
2013	0	0
2014	328,000	671,900
2015	1,759,500	1,523,500
2016	1,712,500	1,403,200
2017	0	201,400
Total	3,800,000	3,800,000

- Changes in budget distribution among four outcomes

Outcome	Before revision (prodoc)	After revision
1	1,157,000	1,173,900
2	967,000	1,198,600
3	989,000	700,000
4	687,000	727,500
Total	3,800,000	3,800,000

• **Changes in planned activities in AWP**

- Deleted planned activities that have already been completed (about...activities)
- Added new planned activities to respond to emerging needs such as:
 - **1.3d. Mainstreaming gender** concerns into national REDD+ readiness process
 - **1.4e, 2.2a Production of awareness raising materials**
 - **2.1b. Preparation of a REDD+ national strategy** including developing of a comprehensive national consultation validation process of the REDD+ strategy and implementation framework
 - **2.3a, 2.6a, 3.1a, 4.1b. Support for technical teams**
- Revised planned activities in outcome 3
 - Before revision, many MRV related activities were included in outcome 3. After revision, these activities were shifted to outcome 4 activities.



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Summary Progress and achievements in 2013 in blue progress and achievements since PEB6

This summary provides a brief overview of the achievements and progress by the UN-REDD Programme in 2013.

Outcome 1:

Output 1.1: The Taskforce has been formally established on 26 February 2013, eight months later than the original target. ToRs of Taskforce has been included in the Prakas (decision). The first and second Taskforce meetings were held and ToRs of four Technical Teams were approved in the first meeting. MoI, MIME and FiA have nominated technical staff to join the Technical Teams and nomination technical staff from FA, GDANCP, MRD, MEF and MLUMC is in process.

[Two Taskforce meetings \(21 February and 28 March\) have taken place. Taskforce study tour to Vietnam took place on 13-17 January.](#)

Output 1.2: The Taskforce Secretariat was established in July 2012, one month behind target. It has organised 15 RTS meetings and the fourth, fifth and sixth PEB meeting. New revised indicators for result framework have developed and approved. Technical government officers were supported to attend regional workshops and key officers were supported to attend Policy Board meeting, SBSTA38th and COP19th. To tackle problems on decision and management arrangement, a mid-term review took place in May. Following on this MoE formed Protected Areas – REDD team (PA-REDD) in order to re-position REDD+ team from MoE and, a UN-REDD SOP was approved and applied with record keeping the compliance.

[Secretariat meeting has happened three times.](#)

Outputs 1.3: Self-selection processes to form the Cambodia REDD+ Consultation Group (CG) was conducted. The CG was formed in a national workshop with eighteen members from nine stakeholder groups. Following forming CG organised 3 meetings to develop ToR/Internal Rules and nominate third-teen members to join the four REDD+ Technical Teams. A study tour on Stakeholder Engagement and Communication was organised for three days from 30 Oct to 1 Nov for delegations from Myanmar, Vietnam, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Pakistan PNG and UN-REDD regional.

[The Consultation Group met two times \(22 January and 17 March 2014\). Training for Consultation Group took place 16-19 December 2013.](#)

Outputs 1.4: The Cambodia REDD+ Website was launched in May and REDD+ information is being access. Communication team meetings were organised to collect and review REDD+ information materials and REDD+ glossaries have been drafted. The 1st and 2nd Cambodia REDD+ newsletters were published and circulated to target audiences. REDD+ Photo Contest and Concert will be held on 14 December. Curriculum and materials for REDD+ Awareness Raising training were developed and the first awareness training at national level will be held from 16 to 19 December.

[Concert and drawing contest on REDD+ were held 14 December 2013. Booklet on COP decisions with summaries has been prepared and shared with Taskforce. Website, Facebook updated regularly. Two Newsletters was produced. Three sub-national training on REDD+ have taken place in March in three provinces.](#)

Outcome 2:

Output 2.1: As part of capacity building and training to ministries (Act: 2.1a) a full day seminar on international negotiations under the UNFCCC was organized for key government officials and NGOs

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involved in REDD+ took place in Phnom Penh on 23 May and a second full day seminar is being planned for 19th December. The Cambodia R-PP (FCPF REDD+ Readiness project) was finalized and waiting for signature (Act: 2.1b). In order to support implementing agencies to development of individual REDD+ strategies and implementation modalities (Act: 2.1c, 2.1d, 2.1e) funding agreements were made with FA, GDANCP and FiA as reference to the approved concepts notes. Advances have been released to FiA and FA for launching project and implementing their project activities. Procurement process for national and international consultants for FA are finalized while GDANCP are in process.

[Baseline survey on awareness raising among communities in Siam Reap completed.](#)

[Concept note and ToR for support to the development of Protected Areas Strategic Management Plan finalized and recruitments announced.](#)

Output 2.2: UNEP's Small Scale Funding Agreement (SSFA) was signed on 20 July. The concepts note for activity 2.2a (1: Workshop on valuation of standing forests in Cambodia and 2: Valuation of multiple benefits of standing forests under the management strategies) and ToRs for consultant were developed and approved. Procurement process for national consultant to organize the workshop (first activity) is in process. Concept notes and Tor for activity 2.2b (Scoping and evaluation of REDD+ activities) has been developed and Concept notes and Tor for activity 2.2c (Economic assessment of the potential local costs and benefits of implementing REDD+ activities in Cambodia) has also been developed.

[National Planning meeting on the valuation of standing forest and costs and benefits of REDD+ 1 April 2014.](#)

Outputs 2.3 and 2.4: The two outputs were combined during the Inception Workshop and approved by PEB2. The concepts note and ToRs of consultants for the activity 2.3b (Assessment of existing benefit sharing models used in Cambodia and other parts of the world relevant for REDD+ in Cambodia) 2.3c (Consultation on results from the assessment) and 2.3d (Development of preferred options for benefit sharing) has been developed and approved and international and national consultants have been hired and workplan for the assignment has been submitted. Concept note and ToR for an assessment of existing fund mechanisms under Cambodian Law (Act: 2.3e) has developed and approved and international consultant has been hired and the work plan have been submitted for approval.

[National consultation meeting on REDD+ Fund took place 10 January 2014 and final report on assessment of options in Cambodian Law for establishment of REDD+ Fund completed.](#)

[National consultation meeting on assessment of existing experiences with benefit sharing relevant for REDD+ in Cambodia took place 20 February 2014. Draft report completed and now consultation at provincial level on-going.](#)

[Benefit Sharing Technical Team has met three times.](#)

Output 2.5: This output was dropped as a result of a decision at PEB 4, but one significant result was achieved before it was dropped, namely an assessment of options for establishment of a REDD+ grievance mechanism.

Output 2.6: Technical assistance for this output has been supported by the experiences UNDP programme analyst and Cam-REDD officer. The concepts notes for activity 2.6b (Initial assessment of REDD+ safeguards at project and national level compared with existing frameworks for socio-economic and environmental safeguards and monitoring in Cambodia) and activity 2.6d (Development of a proposed approach to safeguards) were developed and approved. Development of safeguard technical paper has been progressed on UNFCCC safeguards principles and comparison of global safeguards (UN-REDD, WB, CCBA and CI). For next part of this paper like is in progress. The target delivery of this paper is 28 February 2014.

[Draft preliminary review of safeguards for REDD+ in Cambodia has been completed and a Technical meeting on safeguards and other REDD+ topics took place 20 December 2013.](#)

Safeguards Technical Team has meet two times.

Outcome 3:

Output 3.1: Although the REDD+ projects and subnational approach Technical Team has not yet been formed due the delay in establishment of the TF, priority areas have been identified and processes for scaling up from project to sub-national approach initiated.

Demonstration Technical Team has met one time.

Output 3.2: Support to REDD+ pilot projects was achieved. Sales of carbon credits have not yet occurred for a variety of reasons.

Contract with WCS has been signed. One information brief on benefit sharing has been completed – under review by Technical Teams.

Study tours from Myanmar and Thailand organized.

Outcome 4

Output 4.1: The ToR for the MRV Technical team has been approved in the first taskforce meeting. Mol, MIME and FiA have nominated technical staff to join the MRV Technical Team and nomination of technical staff from FA, GDANCP, MRD, MEF and MLUMC is in process. Development of a joint training programme with JICA has been prepared; and design of national forest inventory will be ready by End of December.

An initial Technical Team meeting for the four technical teams was organized in January 2014 (Sihanoukville 20 Jan 2014). Since this initial MRV-REL technical team has met 6 times; discussion topics included: Drafting of MRV/REL TT work plan, MRV/REL TT TOR, NFI Manual, GHG reporting, National Forest Definition, web platform development, map production, REDD+ implications at national vs subnational scales. The DG of FA has heralded the good work of the MRV/REL technical team.

Output 4.2: Progress has been made to develop Cambodia Monitoring system. A report on the existing national and subnational classification is available. A consultant has been hired to harmonize current legends for comparison and advice. Discussions were initiated but national forest definition, land classification system and carbon pools to be considered are not defined yet due to the delay in operationalizing the technical team.

The national forest definition has been discussed in MRV/REL Technical team meeting discussion 4 and 5, and will be discussed at the taskforce meeting 28 March 2014.

Output 4.3: Substantial progress has been made to design the satellite forest monitoring system. Training on forest monitoring system by INPE, Brazil has been completed, and a national consultation has been undertaken. The report on inventory of existing satellite and aerial imageries is under final revision. Available Remote sensing and GIS data has been compiled, and a test version of satellite forest monitoring system web platform has been developed.

Existing map data (FA 2010, FAO 2005, GDANCP 2007) has been re-interpreted using LCCS 3; national legend proposal; report in final draft stage and to be completed by end of March. Ongoing discussions with Jica and FA on the production of consistent map series. Further data has been compiled and a web platform has been developed to the stage that is ready for transfer to Cambodia for further development and completion.

Output 4.4: Substantial progress has been made to design the National Forest Inventory (NFI) to develop emission and removal factors for REDD+ related activities. Report and database existing

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allometric equations are available. Accessible forest inventory data have been stored in the REDD+ secretariat, analysis is ongoing.

NFI Design proposal has been presented 13 December 2013. Follow-up meetings with FA, GDANCP, FiA to discuss variables to be included in the NFI were held; Draft NFI Field manual has been shared for proof-reading. A First NFI field manual training (Deciduous, Semi-evergreen, Inundated forest) was held in Siem Reap (Siem Reap 10-13 Feb, 2014), followed by class-room session on data analysis (Phnom Penh, Feb 17-20, 2014). Upon request of the participant a NFI field manual test was organized in Koh Kong (Rear-mangrove, mangrove, evergreen forest) in March (Koh Kong, 11-14 March, 2014). Compilation of feedback from FA, FAO, and participant to the NFI field manual training and testing has been incorporated in the final draft.

Output 4.5: There has been moderate progress towards indicators in the results framework; a training workshop on GHG Inventory was conducted. Recommendations are provided to establish adequate institutional arrangements and data sharing agreements required for implementation of the GHG reporting system.

In tangent with the operation of the MRV/REL Technical team a capacity needs assessment survey has been prepared and a proposal for institutional arrangements drafted in order to develop the system to complete GHG inventories for the forestry sector (LULUCF/AFOLU).

Output 4.6: There has been little progress towards indicators in the results framework, although key drivers of deforestation have been indicated, TORs have been developed and data of existing REDD+ initiatives has been collected to develop the National RL/REL framework.

In 2014 an assessment study (literature review and interviews with key stakeholders) on current data available on drivers of deforestation and forest degradation has been initiated. In March a joint workshop (UN-REDD, USAid and Jica) was organized on assessment of drivers of deforestation and forest degradation (Phnom Penh, 06 March 2014).