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The 2nd UN-REDD Regional Workshop: Social Safeguard for REDD+, Lessons Learnt from Different Countries

Bogor 19 April 2012, The participating countries of UN-REDD Programmes gather in Bogor today, 19-20 April 2012, to strengthen their understanding of the social safeguard principles of REDD+ mechanism. Representatives of the concerned ministries, institutions, and organizations from Ecuador, Paraguay, Papua New Guinea (PNG), Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Viet Nam, also Australia will exchange experience in implementing social safeguard for the REDD+ mechanism in their countries, at this 2-day workshop.

The expected output of the workshop would be to achieve a greater understanding on how social safeguard is implemented by all UN-REDD Partner countries, and a greater capacity of UN-REDD teams to design and implement social safeguard appropriate to their national circumstances. This, in turn, will prompt more rapid progress on the development of social safeguard for REDD+ implementation in each country.

UN-REDD has highly prioritized to develop its capacity on the social safeguard principle for interaction with indigenous peoples and local communities. Pilot social safeguard exercises have been conducted in Indonesia (in Central Sulawesi), and in Viet Nam. Other countries like the PNG has developed its guidelines and procedures, the Philippines have institutionalized its process, and Cambodia is planning early action on it.

It is therefore necessary to share the experience thus far with other countries as to be on the same page for the UN-REDD participating countries to move forward toward the preparations for readiness to implement REDD+. During this 2-day gathering, several country participants would display their publications and posters capturing the activities implemented thus far for others to observe.



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UN-REDD Programme Indonesia

The UN-REDD Programme Indonesia is a collaborative initiative between the Ministry of Forestry, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). The programme aims to assist and support the GoI to timely develop a REDD+ architecture that will allow a fair, equitable and transparent REDD+ implementation, as well as to attain 'REDD-Readiness". The UN agencies use a coordinated approach in the UN-REDD programme, drawing upon the competences of the various UN agencies, aiming to 'deliver as one'. UN-REDD Programme Indonesia held the Launching of its work in Central Sulawesi on 13 October 2010 after the province was chosen as the main Pilot Province based on Pilot Province Selection Criteria and multi stakeholder inputs.

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