

UN-REDD Viet Nam Evaluation: Management Response

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Recommendation 1: Adopt more “demand driven” implementation ... do not set overall budgets for each partner for the life of the programme; allocate funds for specific activities based on past performance, evolving circumstances and emerging needs

Response: The need for delivery structures that are efficient and reduce the transaction costs faced by national counterparts has been recognized by the Programme. For example, decisions on fund management options are based on how to achieve the most effective, efficient and timely implementation, and to reduce transaction costs for national partners, donors and the UN.

Recommendation 2: Adopt a single available and knowledgeable focal point for the 3 UN organizations that can speak with one voice to government counterparts and other stakeholders

Response: National Programme principles state that the participating UN organizations, in conjunction with the national counterpart and UNRC, will identify a lead agency for each National Programme. The lead agency will support inter-agency coordination and be responsible for coordinating communication with government partners.



Recommendation 3: Vigorously support development of the necessary national capacity for engaging and coordinating a broad, multi-sectoral community of REDD+ participants

Response: The UN-REDD Programme will emphasize the need for country support to apply the UN-REDD guidance on stakeholder engagement, including ensuring that National Programmes are designed to build capacity for multi-stakeholder participation.



Recommendation 4: Acknowledge the risks inherent to piloting REDD+ activities and establish the mechanisms needed to mitigate and manage these risks and present stakeholders with a balanced appraisal of the risks and benefits of all aspects of REDD+ readiness

Response: The UN-REDD Programme is strengthening its risk management approach. One approach is to identify and manage potential social and environmental risks through the application of the UN-REDD Social and Environmental Principles and Criteria (SEPC) as part of the review of National Programmes.



Recommendation 6: Help country-led REDD readiness processes to define the rationale and scope for specific national REDD+ activities, based on clear identification of the national drivers of deforestation and forest degradation

Response: The annotated template for preparing R-PPs now provides specific guidance for (i) identifying national drivers of deforestation and degradation (ii) considering policies and measures; and (iii) ensuring stakeholder engagement.



Recommendation 7: Carry out systematic analysis of the national context. Identify key entry points into national policy and sub-national, country specific practices. Define where REDD+ can cost-effectively strengthen the performance of existing policies and measures

Response: This recommendation will be incorporated into guidance for the formulation of National Programmes



Recommendation 8: Develop robust and comprehensive theories of change and associated results chains for each desired outcome

Response: Greater emphasis is already being applied to the development of measurable impact indicators and the reporting of progress through semi-annual and annual reports



Recommendation 9: Ensure that programme communications activities and management arrangements maintain a clear and unequivocal distinction between the emerging national REDD+ programme and the temporary financial and technical assistance provided by UN-REDD

Response: At the global level, this recommendation will be shared with management units in those countries with UN-REDD national programmes



Recommendation 10: Apply mandatory requirements of UN programmes such as FPIC only after extensive consultation with diverse national and sub-national stakeholders; then carefully adapt mandatory requirements to local circumstances

Response: At the global level, UNDP will be asked to review UN-REDD FPIC guidelines in response to this recommendation by the end of 2013



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