

Progress Report on Sudan National REDD+ Strategy

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About Sudan forests

- 1- the forests cover is 21.8 million hectares
- 2- the forest types: managed forests (irrigated, riveraine forests) community forests, private , 5% in irrigated agricultural schemes, 10% in rain fed in mechanized agriculture schemes and institutional forests.
Gum arabic belt (more than 6 millions people within the belt depend on gum arabic tree for income generation)
- 3- annual afforestation rate; 90,000 he (50% by communities)
- 4- deforestation rate is 2.2
- 5- the main drivers; national herd, physical development, illegal cutting, over grazing, agriculture and **mining of gold by local (new driver) ,,,,,...etc)**

REDD+ During 2010



-2011

UNDP supports

- For implementation a four workshops (one inception and 3 training workshops):
 - Identify national forest definitions
 - Classify the Sudan Forests according to the; ownership, land use, ecological zone and function.
 - Assess local communities, indigenous people and other forest dependant.
 - Review and overview the forest inventory
 - Compilation of data for REDD+ (technical working groups from different geographical regions were consulted)



REDD+ During 2011-2012



UNEP has provided technical and financial supports to REDD+ programme in Sudan, including:

- Support drafting and developing the Sudan REDD+ Initiative;
- Facilitate and support the current REDD+ consultancy with partnership with the British Embassy and FNC;
- Facilitate applying and testing Social Environmental Principles and Criteria (SEPC) tool on the sites in Sudan (East & west);
- Support capacity building on REDD+ programme, safeguards, negotiations, institutional arrangements and National Adaptation Plan (NAP).

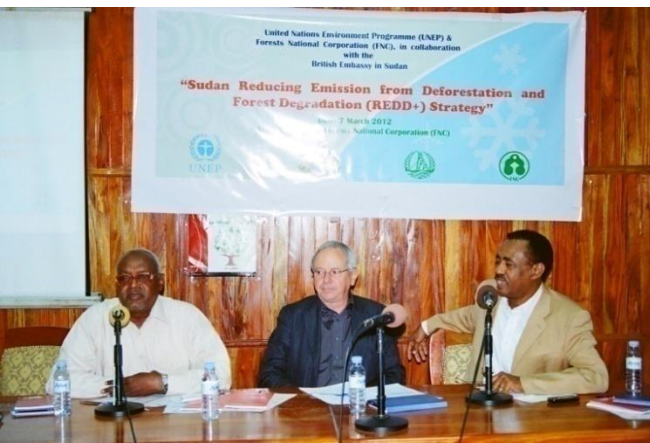


UNEP supported Sudan to attend several international conferences and meetings as

- 1. Climate Change Negotiation meetings**
- 2. Climate Change Conferences (COPs)**
- 3. UN-REDD Policy Boards Meetings**
- 4. Other environmental and climate change meetings**

SEPC is used as:

- 1. Guidance for national framework ;**
- 2. Address the social and environmental consideration to the national REDD+ action plan; and**
- 3. Rank and prioritize the local people's needs (livelihood) within the Sudan national REDD+ program.**



Sudan National REDD+ Strategy



(SNRS)

FNC with support from UNEP and British Embassy is currently conducting a REDD+ consultancy that started on 20 Feb. 2012 and will be finished on 28 Mar. 2012.

The consultancy groups divided into:

- 1) Consultancy Team: Dr. Patrick Van Laake, Prof. Hassan Osman and Dr. Graham Floater;
- 2) Coordination and Support Team: Dr. Sayeda Khalil (FNC), Dr. Hana hamadalla (HCENR) and Ms. Samia Bakeit Mando (FNC); and
- 3) Dr. Mey Eltayeb Ahmed, UNEP.





Bankeu forest reserve; goat grazing



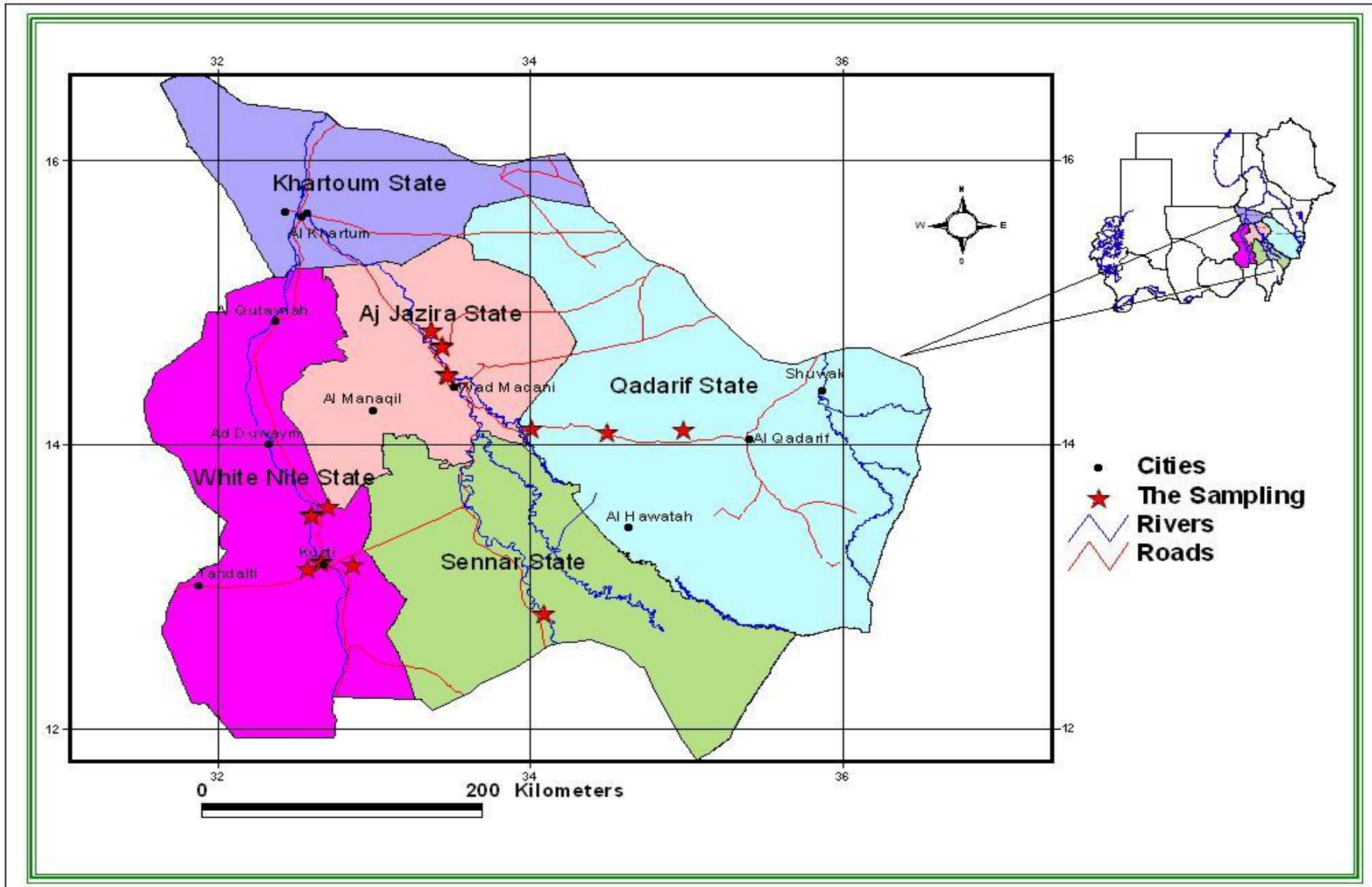
Sheep grazing Dahara forest Sennar State



Wad Behaiga Nilotic Forest-talking to forest community

The REDD+ consultancy group conducted a four field trips and consultations to five states in Sudan, between 28 Feb- 1 Mar. 2012 : 1) Gezira State; 2) Gadarif State;3) Sennar State; 4) the White Nile state; 5) and the Blue Nile State.

First trip to the field 28Feb. – 1 Mar. 2012 consultancy mission





Trip with consultants



Meetings

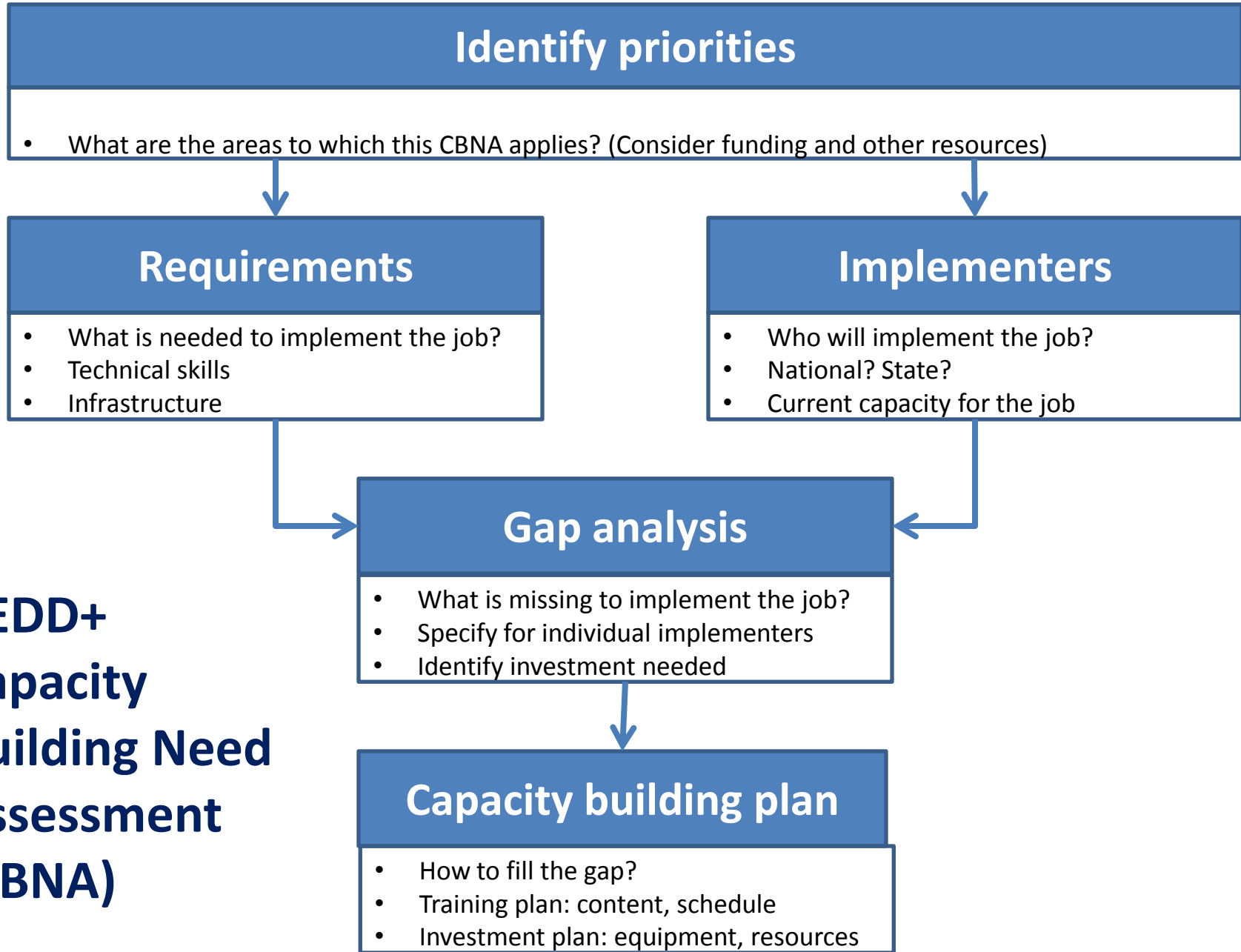
- Ministry of Animal Resource, Range and Pasture
- Ministry of Minerals
- Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation
- Ministry of Electricity & Dams
- Ministry of petroleum
- NOGs
- Private companies (Sugar companies & DAL group companies)
- Women associations
- Gum arabic associations (GAS)
- Gum arabic producers (GAPs)
- Farmer union
- Pastoralists union

Sudan National REDD+ Strategy outcomes

- The SNRS workshop on 7th March 2012; (participants from different; private sector, NGOs, CBOs, Embassies, related ministries,
- A debriefing meeting on 11 March 2012 in UNEP office (FNC, HCENR, assisting team, Practical Action, Kate English B.E, Simon Narbeth- DIFD, Lunden Henrik – Embassy of Norway, UNEP Staff + national and international consultants)
- SNRS
 - Sudan National REDD+ Strategy Outlines (introduction, objectives, current situation in Sudan, development priorities under the national REDD+ program, and finally the action plan

Draft outcomes of SNRS

- The National REDD+ Strategy is necessary to build the National REDD+ Program of Sudan:
 - Described the current situation of natural resources, socio-economic conditions of the rural population, governance aspects
 - Most of priorities of National REDD+ Program has been addressed and defined
 - Identification of modalities for implementation: activities, stakeholders, budget, time frame



**REDD+
Capacity
Building Need
Assessment
(CBNA)**

Priorities

- Awareness raising on REDD+ and climate change, governance for REDD+ mechanism, IP, gender
- Land use mapping, forest inventory, REL, forest research (allometric equations, carbon pools, key categories, etc), safeguards on reversals and conservation of natural forest & biodiversity
- Forestry economics: use of forest resources (incl. secondary benefits: gum arabic, honey, resin, fruit, etc), opportunity cost analysis, benefit sharing, safeguard on displacement of emissions



Thanks