

# UN-REDD PROGRAMME



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Dear Mr. Haradhan Banik,

Thank you for the letter received on 18 November 2014 requesting targeted support from the UN-REDD Programme to support the work described in the proposal "*Initial support to establish an inclusive and transparent REDD+ Stakeholder Forum*".

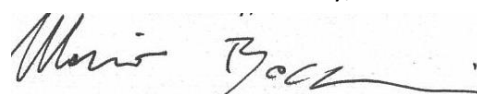
The UN-REDD Programme has reviewed the proposal and recognises the importance of the country's efforts to ensure that the planned REDD+ Stakeholder Forum is established in an inclusive and transparent manner, involving all stakeholders relevant to the national REDD+ readiness process. It is noted that support is requested for undertaking stakeholder mapping and analysis, awareness raising on national REDD+ processes and for the initiation of a gender balanced/responsive consultation and participation plan.

As the National Programme has recently been approved at the 11<sup>th</sup> Policy Board Meeting, we recommend that the work plan and budget of the National Programme be revised to incorporate the proposed activities, taking into consideration that the National Programmes are adaptive in nature and intended to adjust to evolving REDD+ readiness needs. The UN-REDD Programme stands ready to provide technical expertise to support the integration of the targeted support activities into the National Programme and to fully support the implementation of these activities.

UNDP is available to provide further information on the process and clarifications that you may need and we encourage you to contact Mr Tim Clairs ([Tim.Clairs@undp.org](mailto:Tim.Clairs@undp.org)) or the regional focal point Mr Akihito Kono ([Akihito.Kono@undp.org](mailto:Akihito.Kono@undp.org)).

The UN-REDD Programme is looking forward to continued collaboration with Bangladesh in the country's implementation of its REDD+ efforts.

Sincerely,

 and with my very best wishes for 2015

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