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	Country Office:	Zambia	
	Executing/Coordinating Agency	MTENR	
	Implementing Agency	Forestry Department/MTENR	
	Project Title	United Nations Collaborative Programme for Reducing Deforestation and Forest Degradation in Developing Countries (UN-REDD)	
	Project No. ZMB10/00077050		
Programme Brief description	<p>Deforestation and forest degradation comprise a large proportion (approximately one fifth) of global anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions. The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) has adopted the REDD+ mechanism in the Cancun agreements. The development is now on its way to provide financial incentives for the reduction of such emissions. REDD+ includes Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (initially referred to as REDD) as well as: i) conservation of forests; ii) sustainable management of forests; and iii) the enhancement of forest carbon stocks.</p> <p>The primary drivers of deforestation and forest degradation need to be addressed in order to ensure the success of National REDD+ programme. In Zambia, these drivers vary across regions and include <i>Inter alia</i>: i) charcoal and wood fuel use (for domestic, commercial and industrial uses); ii) timber production; and iii) unsustainable agricultural methods and other land use practices. Drivers of deforestation and forest degradation are a result of a complex set of underlying causes that are primarily caused by past and current development processes. These underlying causes cut across numerous sectors (e.g. energy, forestry, agriculture, land and water). In order to address them and thereby to facilitate the realisation of REDD+, the entire mode of development within Zambia will need to be altered. Both the supply and demand for wood and non-wood forest products will, for example, need to be addressed simultaneously.</p> <p>Programme Goal: To prepare Zambian institutions and stakeholders for effective nationwide implementation of the REDD+ mechanism.</p> <p>Programme Objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Build institutional and stakeholder capacity to implement REDD+ ii. Develop an enabling policy environment for REDD+ iii. Develop REDD+ benefit-sharing models iv. Develop a national Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) systems for REDD+ <p>Joint Programme Outcomes:</p> <p>Outcome 1: Capacity to manage REDD+ Readiness strengthened</p> <p>Outcome 2: Broad-based stakeholder support for REDD+ established</p> <p>Outcome 3: National governance framework and institutional capacities for the implementation of REDD+ strengthened</p> <p>Outcome 4: National REDD+ strategies identified</p> <p>Outcome 5: MRV capacity to implement REDD+ strengthened</p> <p>Outcome 6: Assessment of Reference Emission Level (REL) and Reference Level (RL) undertaken</p>		

		<p>Outcome 1: Capacity to manage REDD+ Readiness strengthened</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stakeholder analysis for REDD+ (Activity 1.1) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Stakeholder b. Institutional c. Capacity needs identified 2. Identification of current initiatives related to REDD+ [Activity 1.4] <p>Outcome 2: Broad-based stakeholder support for REDD+ established</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Awareness raising and Capacity Development for stakeholder [Activity 2.1.1 (V) Provincial and District level stakeholders] <p>Outcome 3: National governance framework and institutional capacities for the implementation of REDD+ strengthened</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. National REDD+ Strategy development (Activity 3.2) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Develop framework and Roadmap <p>Outcome 4: National REDD+ strategies identified</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Drivers of deforestation and forest degradation, identified and documented (Activity 4.1.1) <p>Outcome 5: MRV capacity to implement REDD+ strengthened</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Literature review on Integration of REDD+ and ILUA forest inventory (Activity 5.1.1) <p>Outcome 6: Assessment of Reference Emission Level (REL) and Reference Level (RL)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. No activity for 2nd Quarter planned
	<p>Substantive Reporting</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Technical Advise to expedite programme implementation: UN-REDD Programme Mission Visit The UN-REDD Programme had a mission in May 2011. During the mission, priority activities were identified. These were: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Awareness raising and training event b. Consultancy on stakeholder analysis c. Communication materials in place d. Consultancy on best practices to enhance sustainable forest management and REDD+ e. Consultancy on Preliminary study on Drivers of deforestation and potential for REDD+ f. Finalise ToRs and recruitments of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical advisor (Int'l) • MRV Facilitator (Int'l) • Communication consultant • Programme Associate (Admin assistant) g. Refine ToRs of the REDD+ Coordinating Unit h. Formalize the Steering Committee and Multi-sectoral Committee 2. Outcome 1 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Procurement of goods and service for the coordination unit initiated and is ongoing as planned. b) ToRs for PA and TA are finalised and ready for recruitment. 3. Outcome 2

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Terms of Reference for consultancy on stakeholder assessment and engagement plan completed awaiting recruitment b) Stakeholder orientation training workshop on REDD+ was held from 27th to 29th June 2011. A total of 75 participants from various stakeholder groups attended the training. Out of these 36 participants represented the 9 provinces, with 4 from each province. Objectives of the workshop i) To enhance understanding on REDD+ in view of the Zambia REDD+ programme's implementation and ii) To foster multi-stakeholder engagement and dialogue around REDD+ were well achieved. c) Participated in the World Environmental Day function on the 5th June in Lusaka and International Trade Fair in Ndola from 29th June to 5th July 2011. <p>4. Outcome 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Strategy framework has not been developed awaiting the outcome of the 3 consultancy in order to provide inputs b) Terms of Reference for consultancy on stakeholder assessment and engagement plan completed awaiting recruitment <p>5. Outcome 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Terms of Reference for consultancy on drivers of deforestation completed awaiting recruitment <p>6. Outcome 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Terms of reference for consultancies on best practices and drivers of deforestation completed and awaiting recruitment b) Finalization MRV leaflets for awareness raising c) REDD+ Orientation training for stakeholders conducted to enhance awareness and capacity. d) Procurement of cars has been finalized e) MRV P-3 officer has been finalized. The selected candidate will start in Zambia before the end of this year. <p>7. Outcome 6</p> <p>No activity for the quarter</p>
	<p>Challenges</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Delayed in the implementation of start up activities due to limited capacity: Although there has been an improvement in the delivery of the project the rate is still relatively low. The three staff attached to the programme are still awaiting revised attachment letters that spell out revised TORs facilitating these officers to work 100% on the programme 2. Delay in the establishment of the Steering Committee and Multi-sectoral committee. While a Joint Steering Committee and Technical Committee already exist, there is need to expand the mandate and incorporate other stakeholders that are core to REDD+ implementation. The establishment of steering committee and multi-sectoral committee including the development of the TORs) need to be expedited for the programme to benefit from the policy guidance and sectoral issues that have the bearing on the REDD process. 3. Linkages and coordination among UN-REDD, ILUA, CCFU and ENRMMP: During the Mission visit in May 2011, the Ministry provided a position on how programmes and projects will be implemented in the Ministry in order to enhance coordination, avoid duplication, optimize the different work plans and outcomes and reduce on transactions costs. The Ministry was to come up with a concept paper of integrating these programmes, which has not been presented yet. The delay in developing and implementing the strategy may contribute to the duplication of efforts among the projects. 4. It should be noted that a new Permanent Secretary was appointed for the Ministry and some of the issues discussed may be slowed down in the process of administrative adjustments.