

Cambodia UN-REDD Programme Inception Report Overview

Second UN-REDD Programme Executive Board
meeting

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Sofitel Phnom Penh Hotel



What is the Inception Report

- Inception report provides an update to the Programme Document
- It sets a new baseline for programme implementation and development
- Further changes will need to be approved through PEB meetings

What is Covered

1. Overview of Programme and activities to date
2. Synergies with existing programmes
3. Updates to the National Programme Document
4. Implementing arrangements and Communication Strategy
5. Consultation and Participation
6. Gender Strategy
7. Capacity Building Strategy
8. Implementation and Financial Management
9. Monitoring and Evaluation
10. Way Forward

Key Changes to Programme Document

- a. Changes to the management structure
- b. Additional staff within the Secretariat
- c. Sustainable Forest Management Programme no longer providing co-financing
- d. Components 2.3 Benefit Sharing and 2.4 Fund Mechanisms merged
- e. 3.1 Development of Sub-national approach
- f. Changes to the Results Framework
- g. Changes to Fund management arrangements
- h. Changes to process for Workplan approval

a. Changes to Management Structure

- PEB meetings will no longer form a Special Taskforce Meeting
- Deputy Director General of GDANCP will be a new member of PEB
- Proposed that Consultation group will require a Secretary

Coordination

Operational

Technical

NATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE

- Main Government Coordination mechanism for climate change

REDD+ ADVISORY GROUP

REDD+ CONSULTATION GROUP

CAMBODIA REDD+ TASKFORCE

- Chair: FA
- Deputy Chair: GDANCP
- FA, GDANCP, MLMUPC, FiA, MEF, MoI, MRD, MIME, ELC

UN-REDD PROGRAMME EXECUTIVE BOARD (= Key Taskforce members + Donors)

- Chair: Chair of REDD+ Taskforce, or designate
- Co-Chair: UN Resident Coordinator, or designate
- Deputy Director General of GDANCP,
- NPD (FA) and Deputy NPD (GDANCP), FiA
- FAO, UNDP, UNEP, CS and IP
- Donor representative(s) (invited to join)

NATIONAL PROGRAMME DIRECTOR (FA)
DEPUTY NPD (GDANCP)

TASKFORCE SECRETARIAT (= UN REDD Programme Management Unit)

- Chief: FA
- Vice-Chief: GDANCP
- Government Representatives (FA, GDANCP, FiA)
- Other supporting staff

Programme Assurance Team

-FAO, UNDP, UNEP team responsible for providing support and programmatic oversight

Consultation and
Safeguards Technical
Team
FA, GDANCP, MRD...

Benefit-sharing Technical
Team
FA, GDANCP, MEF, FiA, ...

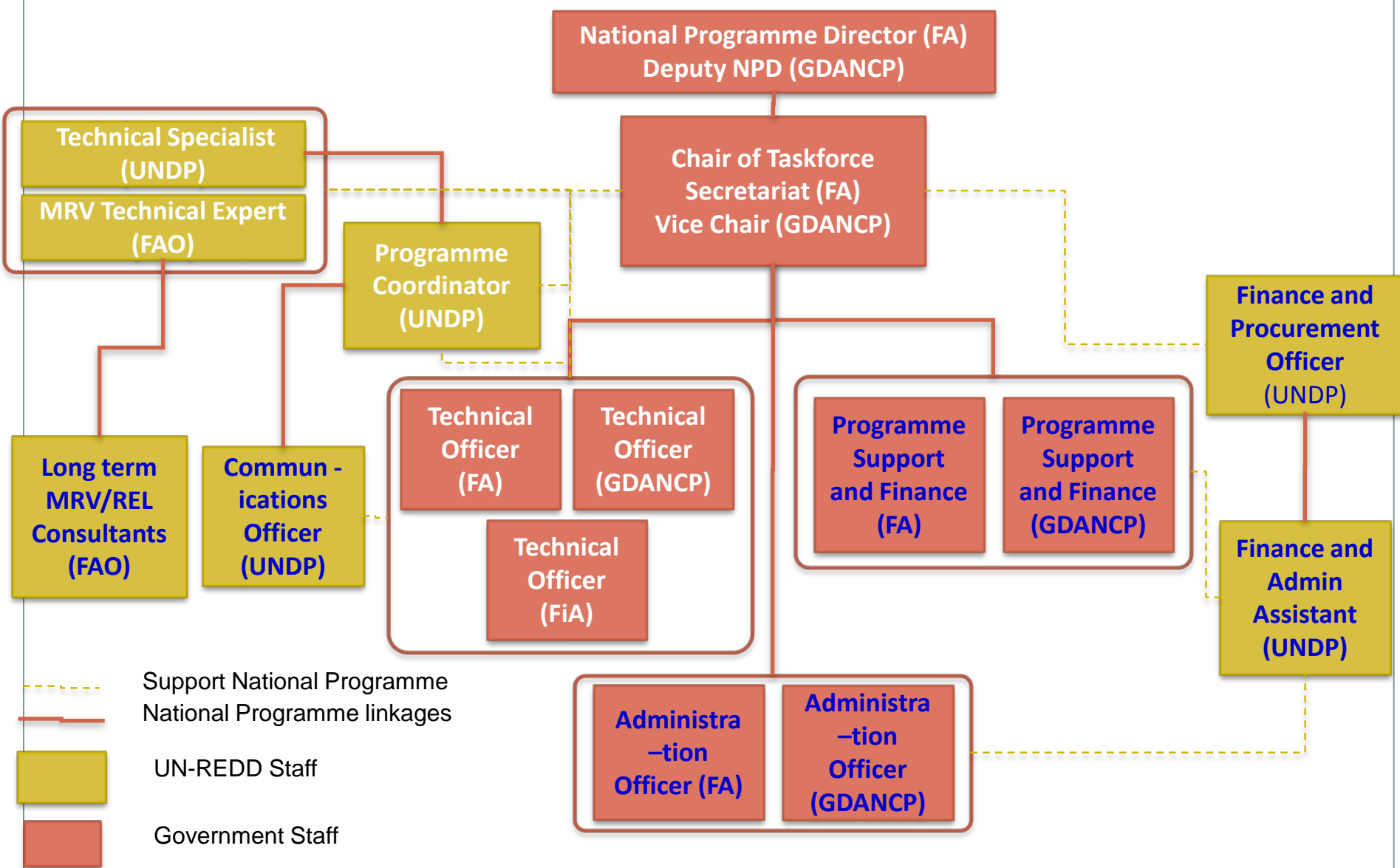
REDD+ Demonstration
Technical Team
FA, GDANCP, FiA, ...

MRV/REL Technical Team
FA, GDANCP, MLMUPC,
FiA...

b. Changes to Taskforce Secretariat

- Programme document only identifies a Technical and MRV/REL Advisor and Programme Coordinator – additional staff have been added since this time

REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat Structure



Technical Support

**Finance and
Administration**

c. Reduction in SFM Funding to Output 2.1

- Due to reductions in SFM programme budget – direct co-financing has not been continued
- Additional \$50,000 moved from merger of 2.3 and 2.4 – budget now \$300,000

d. 2.3 and 2.4 Merged to Cover both benefit sharing and fund management

- The design of a fund mechanism and benefit sharing system will be critical to the development of the Programme
- There is extensive overlap between the two elements
- Merger of two elements simplifies planning and budget management
- Anticipated will also reduce costs – allowing for funds to be reallocated towards 2.1

e. Outcome 3 - Improved Capacity to Manage REDD+ at Subnational Levels

- There is the need to develop REDD+ at sub-national level
- Initial phase of actions were three small grants – totaling \$450,000.
- Currently \$100,000 remaining in budget.
- Proposed to support to activities of identification potential areas for additional pilot REDD+ project and monitoring the existing pilot sites

f. Results and Monitoring Framework

- Delivery dates modified to reflect delays in programme implementation
- Modifications made with relation to reflect merger of 2.3 and 2.4 and change in focus on Outcome 3.
- Gender targets also added

g. Fund Management

- Due to the HACT assessment results it is not currently possible to transfer funds to GDANCP or FiA
- Bank accounts is opened for fund transfer from UNDP under the management of the Secretariat
- Finance and Procurement Officer will support the process of identifying capacity building needs
- UNDP have committed funds to further support capacity building activities

h. Workplan Approval

- Annual workplans will be developed by REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat, review with Taskforce and approved by PEB with signature by the DG of FA and RC of UN
- Quarterly workplans will be developed by REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat, review with Taskforce and signed by NPD and initialed by DNPD

Way Forward

- Operational
- Technical

Operational

- Development / completion of template formats:
 - Joint quarterly reporting format (FAO / UNDP / UNEP)
 - ToR, Concept Note – Secretariat
- Agreement on operational cost elements
 - Basic running cost elements standardized
 - Finalise procurement
- Further operational support
 - Continued guidance on NIM procedures
 - Finalise procurement linkages between FA and UNDP

Technical Areas

1. Effective National REDD+ Readiness Process
2. Development of Strategy and Implementation framework
3. Improved capacity to manage REDD+ at subnational level
4. Design of a Monitoring system and REL framework and capacity for implementation

1. Effective National REDD+ Readiness Process

- Establishment of key bodies
 - Establishment of PEB
 - Establishment of Taskforce
 - Initial Taskforce Training
- Stakeholder engagement
 - Focus should be on a process of awareness raising for stakeholders and training for core staff
 - Increasing access to information on the programme through the creation of a programme website

Central Level Programme Consultation and Participation

Phase 1: Awareness Raising and Development of Programme Structure

Establishment of key bodies including Consultation group and UN-REDD Programme Executive Board, Awareness raising of all stakeholders

Phase 2: Consultation and Participation on Programme Development and Implementation

Further awareness raising, and effective operation of programme governance and operational bodies to ensure consultation and participation in programme planning and implementation

Phase 3: Consultation and Joint Decision making on key programme outputs

Broad consultation on significant programme outputs and REDD+ Strategic direction

Awareness raised at programme level supports activity focused consultation. Activity focused consultation helps to inform national consultation approaches

Activity Level Consultation and Participation

Focused on engagement on specific issues within which there may be a small relevant constituency, or around which more in-depth technical knowledge is required.

2. Development of Strategy and Implementation framework

- 2.1 – Agencies need to engage in process of developing approaches to their own strategies
- 2.2 – Development of estimates of potential costs and benefits from REDD+ critical to decision making moving forward
- 2.3 – Remaining areas focused on capacity building and consultation on key areas

3. Improved capacity to manage REDD+ at subnational level

- Focus on completion of existing pilot projects
- Need to identify priority areas at the subnational level

- Questions