

## CAM-REDD Highlight News in 2014

### **1. Establishment of Technical Teams for Cambodia REDD+ Taskforce**



The First Technical Team Meeting was conducted on 20 January 2014 in Golden Sea Hotel at Preah Sihanouk Province. The meeting was chaired by H.E Dr. Chea Sam Ang, Deputy Director General of Forestry Administration, and The 51 participants from different institutions and sectors attended this meeting. The meeting aimed to explain the Term of Reference of 4 Technical Teams (Safeguard, Benefit-sharing, Monitoring, Reporting and Verification and Demonstration Activity) to the members of each group and to prepare a work plan of each team. At the same time, the participants have promoted better understanding about the readiness process for REDD+ as well as the process of Cambodia National REDD+ Taskforce.

### **2. Study Tour by Taskforce Technical Teams in Seima and Mondulkiri**



From 28 to 31 May 2014, Safeguard and Demonstration Technical Teams conducted a study tour to Seima Protected Forest which aimed 1) to discuss the framing, structure and findings of the draft assessment report of safeguards international requirements with existing policies, laws and regulations in Cambodia. 2) to hold the Third meeting of the safeguards, and 3) to visit activities conducted by project proponents such as FA, Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS), and World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF). The team members visited Andong Krleung Community which was targeted for Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) for REDD+ and a community who has obtained land registration and in Mondulkiri Protected Forest.

### 3. Forest Plantation outside of PFE in in Kompong Chnnang Province



This is one of activities to raise awareness of forest conservation by tree planting between private sector and FA. This is related to Sub-programme No. 2.6 of National Forest Programme (2010-2029) of Royal Government of Cambodia. The Office of Technical Adviser to DG-FA (OTA) supports a process of this activity.

Japanese corporation Oji Paper in Cambodia has begun with a forest plantation in Samky Meanchey District, Kompong Chnang Province since 2012. This company provides seedlings for local people for planting trees in advance of the PRAKAS of contract farming. The plantation expanded to 100 ha until April 2014.

On 3 July 2014 the OTA staffs visited the site to understand the ground situation and made some technical suggestions to Oji Paper-Cambodia to plant the native species.

### 3. Eighth FACCC Meeting (as JCC)



The Eighth meeting of FA's Climate Change and REDD+ Committee (FACCC) as Joint Coordinating Committee (JCC) for CAM-REDD was held on 1 July 2014. This meeting was conducted by FA and JICA. FACCC members from the line FA's departments discussed the Multi-year Work Plan, Project Matrix Design (PDM), and Plan of Operation (PO) with the other participants from international organisations and NGOs

#### **4. National Arbor Day at Phnom Tamao Zoological Park and Wildlife Rescue Center in Takeo Province**



On 7 July 2014, National Arbor Day was organized by FA, and the event was presided over by His Majesty Norodom Sihamoni, King of Cambodia. The Cambodian monarch made the appeal to the public regarding importance of forest conservation in Kandoeung Thom Village, Kandoeung Commune, Bati District of Takeo Province, which is 45 km South of Phnom Penh. JICA-Cambodia and OTA staffs also attended the ceremony and participated in planting a tree.

#### **5. Sub-NFP Consultation Workshop in Ratanakiri Province**



OTA has provided support to establish the Sub-NFP at the provincial level. This is part of Activity 2.1 of CAM-REDD work plan (also called “PDM”). This establishment process is made from 8 Steps. At the Step 6 (Consultation at Provincial level), the provincial consultation workshop for Sub-NFP Program was conducted by FA Supporting Team (FAST) in Ratanakiri Province on 29 August 2014. This workshop aimed to prepare a provincial level of Five-Year-Forest-Management Plan (2015-2019) under Programme No.6 of NFP. After this workshop, this province was going to shift to Step 7 (Consultation at FA Central).

#### **6. Sub-NFP Consultation Workshop in Kratie Province**



Similar to Ratanakiri Province, the Provincial Consultation Workshop for the Sub-NFP Programme was held in Kratie Province on 5 September 2014. FA received many comments on Forest Management Plan from participants, so Kratie Province could also reach Step 7.

### **7. Sub-NFP Consultation Workshop in Mondulakiri Province**



FAST facilitated the process of Sub-NFP Step 6 with the related departments of line ministries in Mondulakiri Province on 27 October 2014.

### **8. Sub-NFP Consultation Workshop in Kampong Speu Province**



Similar to the previous activity in Kampong Speu Province, the Provincial Consultation Workshop was held on 31 October 2014. The preparation of Sub-NFP work plan

### **9. Field visit to CCPF**



OTA has assisted to conduct forest monitoring and research in the REDD+ demonstration activities including mangrove forest and flooded forest under CAM-REDD's Activity 3.1 which is funded by JICA. Central Cardamom Protected Forest (CCPF) is considered as one of those activities. From 1 to 3 December 2014, OTA staff went to observe the current status of forest and found out the concerned issues in the field to discuss our further assistance.