

Strengthening Community Voices to REDD+ Policy:

Experience from The REDD+ Community Carbon Pools Programme (REDD+ CCPP)

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Overview on the **REDD+**

- Forestry sector shares between **14-19%** of global GHG emission
- **REDD+**: Reducing Emission from Deforestation and Forest Degradation; result from COP13 & COP16...
- From voluntary REDD+ Projects to National REDD+ Policy/Strategy in many developing countries
- Safeguards Information System (SIS) is one of four elements required for REDD+ referred to as the 'Warsaw Framework' including;
 - National Strategy of Action Plan
 - National forest Reference Level
 - National monitoring system

However, whether carbon rights in REDD+ is compatible with the forest tenure rights (bundles of rights, i.e rights to access, manage the forests...etc is still questionable

The REDD+ Community Carbon Pools Programme (REDD+ CCPP)

- **Implementing Sites:** Cambodia, Indonesia, The Philippines and Vietnam
- **Implementing Organization:** Fauna & Flora International (FFI), NTFP-EP and PanNature
- **Programme period:** Jan 2011- July 2014
- **Main beneficiary groups:** communities and local government institutions

REDD+ CCPP Objectives

- Develop the capacity of local communities and local government in the formation of REDD+ policies
- Stimulate policy dialogue and reform through a bottom-up process
- Expand/increase knowledge on critical community forestry and REDD+ themes.



REDD+ CCPP
(APN-LCI
support)

Knowledge sharing
component

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How did we do this?

1-REDD+
Benefit Sharing
Workshop &
field work



2-Community
Partners Learning
Exchange Visit to
the Philippines



3-ASEAN
REDD+ Policy
Workshop



Some lesson learnt from the REDD+ CCPP

- ❖ The timing, content and understanding of localized context is important in the establishment of REDD+ benefit sharing frameworks.
- ❖ Securing community and local government participation in REDD+ cannot be assumed or automatically guaranteed
- ❖ Community livelihoods as co-benefits to REDD+ is critical.



.....Up to 2016, all the four countries piloting the REDD+ CCPP have developed own National REDD+ Strategy, but there are some concerns from forest dependent communities particularly on;

- Insufficient FPIC implementation (free, prio, informed, consent) and somehow with top-down process in introducing REDD+
- Inadequate grievance readiness mechanism (GRM) in the SIS/REDD+

Would be challenging space for community voices on REDD+ Policy Development and implementation & might lead to some implication in the future

Way forwards

- REDD+ information dissemination should be conducted nationwide esp. to IP/forest communities for their right decision on REDD+ implementation
- CSO REDD+ Consultation Groups more focus & more support government in both forming and implementing proper and adequate FPIC & GRM
- Carbon rights and forest tenure rights should be assured their compatibilities



Thanks

