

CAM-REDD Highlight News in January-May 2016

Outcome 1: Institutional Arrangement

1. Eleventh FACCC Meeting

On March 2, the eleventh meeting of Forestry Administration (FA)'s Climate Change Committee (FACCC) was held at the FA Headquarters in Phnom Penh, and it was co-chaired by Dr. Chea Sam Ang, Deputy Director General of FA and Mr. Kenichi Shishido, Deputy Director General of Global Environment Department of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). FACCC functions equivalently as Joint Coordinating Committee for CAM-REDD, which was mentioned in the Records of Discussion signed between FA and JICA on May 27, 2011. The meeting aimed to report the results of the terminal evaluation for CAM-REDD from February 13 to March 1, 2016.



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The team shared two lessons learnt from CAM-REDD: 1) the single policy instrument: Cambodia National REDD+ Roadmap which plays an important role for all relevant stakeholders to contribute REDD+ effectively and efficiently and, 2) the single work plan for all relevant REDD+ development partners (DPs), which contributed to aligning each effort for the same goal and approaches. The report was endorsed by FACCC members.

At the same time, it was officially announced that CAM-REDD would be completed on May 31, 2016. The extension of the Outcome 4 of CAM-REDD was discussed and approved by FA and JICA. There were **39 participants from FA's departments, Fisheries Administration and General Department of Administration for Nature Conservation and Protection (GDANCP) of Ministry of Environment (MoE), and DPs (e.g. UNDP, FAO and Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS)).**

Outcome 3: Demonstration Activities

2. Wildlife Enforcement Leadership Training in Preah Vihear

On January 20-23, the FA's training course on "Wildlife Enforcement Leadership Training Course" was conducted in the Preah Vihear Protected Forest (PVPF) Headquarter in collaboration with WCS, United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and CAM-REDD. The training course aimed to improve forest monitoring skills and knowledge of forest rangers and to increase effectiveness of sustainable forest conservation in PVPF because there were some threats to the forest



resources and to the forest rangers in terms of illegal logging and life threatening to the rangers. **25 participants** came from not only PVPF but other forest areas such as Seima PF, Ang Trapang Thmar Bird Protection Area and FA-HQ. The participants had a wide range of topics of lectures, such as general understanding on forest and wildlife, how to capture an offender in the forest, how to patrol the forest and how to record data, and physical training to defend themselves from armed illegal loggers. CAM-REDD has been one of main development partners to support sustainable forest management in PVPF since June 2011.

National Forest Programme

3. Third Semester Meeting of NCFPCC in Battambang Province

On January 28-29, the Third Semester Meeting of National Community Forestry Program Coordination Committee (NCFPCC) was organized by FA and other relevant stakeholders including CAM-REDD and RECOFTC, and was presided by H.E Deputy Provincial Governor of Battambang Province with **140 participants** from local authorities, local communities, NGOs, related line ministries, international NGOs and DPs such as Asia Development Bank (ADB) and USAID. The participants have participated in this meeting to make a good collaboration among FA, Community Forestry (CF), NGOs and other relevant stakeholders; to share lessons learnt which CF projects have been succeeded; to understand the concept of reviewing the CF guideline; to confirm the progress of the PCFPCC development. To develop NCFPCC, CAM-REDD is one of key stakeholders in working with FA and CFs.



Other Activity

4. Field Visit by Joint Terminal Evaluation Team in the Prey Lang Forest

On February 27-28, Office of Technical Advisor (OTA) which manages CAM-REDD accompanied Terminal Evaluation Team for CAM-REDD with officials from FA-HQ and Department of Wildlife and Biodiversity and Kampong Thom FA Cantonment to Prey Long Forest Area in Kampong Thom. The joint terminal evaluation for CAM-REDD was conducted by the terminal evaluation team from FA and JICA-HQ from February 13 to March 2, 2016. JICA evaluation members visited Prey Long Forest as one of CAM-REDD's



supporting areas and observed the status of forest and forest management on ground, and considered possible assistance of JICA after CAM-REDD was completed in May 2016.