

The meeting of REDD Working Group (RWG) is held on 3rd August, 2011, at 1:30 to 3:30 PM in Forest Training Hall, Babarmahal, Kathmandu under the chair of Secretary, Ministry of Forest and Soil Conservation in the presence of following members and invitees.

Members

1. Chair Dr. Krishna Chandra Paude: Ministry of Forest and Soil Conservation

2. Member

3. Member Mr. Sahas Man Shrestha, Department of Forest Research & Survey

4. Member: Mr. Krishna Prasad Acharya, DG, DNPWC

5. Member: Brikha Bahadur Shahi; FECOFUN

6. Member: Pasang Dolma Sherpa, NEFIN

7. member Bidya Pandey SUDO MOAC

8. Member Binod Prakash Singh MOED

9. Ashok Prasad Bhattarai MOENV.

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12. Member Secretary, Mr Rishi Ram Tripathi

Invitees

1. Ashish Shrestha, World Bank

2. Chao Hua Zhang

3. Dora Raj Ghimire

4. Ken Rapp World Bank, FCPF-FMT

5. Dil Raj Kharel FECOFUN

6. Ben Vickes CARE International

7. Tom Blomley CARE International

8. Joana Durbin CCBA

9. Dil Kumar Khadka

10. Keshav Prasad Kharel

11. Rabindra Maharjan REDD Cell

12. Ram Asheshwar Mandal

12. Rajan Kumar Shrestha

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6. Member: Binod Prakash Singh: Ministry of Local Development
7. Member: Ashok Prashad Bhattra, Ministry of Environment
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9. Member: Mr. Rishi Ram Tripathee: Secretary, REDD Forestry and Climate Change Cell

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Agenda:

1. Welcome and objectives sharing of meeting
2. Presentation on REDD + Social and Environmental Standard
3. Presentation on REDD+ Strategic Social and Environmental Assessment
4. Presentation on Integrated Planning process for REDD+ SES and SESA process
5. Formation of Technical Group for SES Indicator development and Providing Input of SESA process
6. Special sharing for new RWG members

Discussion and decision

Sharings

1. The objectives of the REDD Working Group (RWG) Meeting were shared by the Chair of the RWG. The main objectives of the meeting were sharing of REDD+ SES and SESA process as well as development of integrated process for REDD+ SES and SESA in Nepal.

2. The chairman warmly welcomed the new members of RWG like representatives from Ministry of Local Development, Ministry of Agriculture and Co-operative and Ministry of Environment. It was realized and decided that special sharing on REDD initiatives is essential especially for these new members of RWG.

3. Dr. Joana Durbin shared the information about the REDD plus Social and environmental Standard in the meeting in order to proceed piloting on SESA in Nepal

4. Presentation carried by Dr. Kenn W Rapp has focused on "Strategic Social and Environmental Assessment". He presented how SESA has been proceeding in global level and how it can be fit in local level.

5. The sharing was made by Mr. Keshav Prasad Khanal focusing on "Integrated Planning Process for REDD+ SES and SESA process. This included integrated safeguards process of planning and implementation phase.

Decisions

1. The meeting decided to form "Technical Group for SES indicator development and providing input to SESA process" with the following compositions.

- a. Representative: Department of Forest,
- b. Representative: Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities,
- c. Representative: REDD Project, ANSAB/ICIMOD/FECOFUN
- d. Representative: Federation of Community Forest Users, Nepal,
- e. Representative: REDD-forestry and Climate Change Cell.

2. The meeting also decided that "Technical Group for SES indicator development and providing input to SESA process" can invite other relevant stakeholders in the group.