Results based Monitoring and Reporting Systems - Experience from Sri Lanka

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Familiar Results-based management and reporting systems

UN-REDD Programme's results framework

- Indicative framework developed for the R-PP in 2012
- Subsequently revised and new financial and work targets developed in 2013

Planning and Reporting Process



2. Reporting to Government of Sri Lanka and UN Agencies

2.1- Regular External and internal monitoring:

- Ministry of Environment Monthly progress reporting and quarterly meetings
- Department of National Planning & Department of External Resources Monthly reporting
- Monitoring by UN agencies (FAO and UNDP (UNEP)) through <u>meeting every month</u> to present the progress.
- Reporting to UN-REDD secretariat semi-annually and annually
- Task Forces with high level expertise who meet regularly e.g.MRV, Policy & Institutional etc.
- Organize Programme Executive Board (PEB) meeting every 3 months: . review of the NP progress (Co-chaired by UN & S/MoE)

2.2- Internal discussions

- Weekly Highlights through staff meetings:
 - good forum to discuss and argue within the group.
 This provides an overview of the day to day activities.
 - Information on NP activities in real time enables tracking of all activities and stakeholders and to keep them informed

• <u>Regular missions from Reginal Technical Team</u> allow us to update on the work plan and to go through all activities on a regular basis.

2.3 - CSO and IP briefings and support

 Key decisions of the PEB meetings presented through IP and CSO briefings – 3 months

- Meetings of CSO convening committee that comment on issues of interest to CSOs related to ongoing studies – every 2 months
- Knowledge Management and Capacity Building Teams (KMCBT) to assist the 8 CBR+ Project Grantees in addition to Technical Advisory Team and the Project Steering Committee

2.4 - Communication tools

- Website 2500 visitors in the past 5 months
- Quarterly newsletter to capture highlights
- Facebook page events and meetings posted while they are in progress
- Weekly highlights Email network by PMU
- Preparation of summaries of all technical report and translated in to local languages, Sinhala and Tamil

3. Lessons learned from applying these systems:

- REDD Programme has no clear cut physical targets <u>M&E is NOT easy</u>.
- Master workplan developed 3 years ago has been revised numerous times
- Only method is to follow Logical steps leading to the REDD+ strategy <u>delay or</u> <u>complications in any one step affects all other steps</u>
- A well designed <u>Strategic Communication Plan</u> at the inception of the programme would have helped for smoother implementation

4. Corrective actions

• Internal mid-term review commissioned to analyze reasons for delay

- This helped to identify bottle necks and important stages in the process where things went off track.
- Roadmap preparation for REDD+ mid-way in the Readiness process <u>intensive</u> stock taking was done of progress so far and what needs to be done
- PAMs prioritization steps <u>an analysis of the steps and process to help refine</u> <u>the final PAMs identified</u>

Communication Strategy was revised and re-activated for crucial feedback

5. General Reflections

- Often lack of <u>CLEAR GOALS</u>
- Process of consensus building for <u>AGREED GOALS</u>
- Intensive communication for a common understanding of these goals by <u>ALL stakeholders</u>

Results framework should not be too rigid or too detailed

- Last year Sri Lanka had change of government and 2 elections changes of Ministry portfolios and top government officials – <u>system must be flexible to</u> <u>accommodate sudden changes and be able to innovate</u>
- Overly detailed system can be too time consuming and impractical for reporting. Major outputs should be identified leaving the players to innovate and be creative.
- The Regional Technical Team and the CTA can help exchange international experience and bring good practices to Sri Lanka. CTA network or forum can be useful





¡Gracias por su atención!



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