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Subject: Request for UN-REDD Programme targeted support for national REDD+ readiness in Bangladesh by UN-REDD National Focal Point

Dear Mr Haradhan Banik,

In response to your request, dated 18 July 2012, requesting targeted support from the UN-REDD programme, I am pleased to confirm that the amount of USD 115 000 is available as targeted support for the implementation of the MRV action plan for the next 12 months and to ensure close collaboration and interaction among the agencies and stakeholders under the REDD+ roadmap.

This targeted support responds to specific technical and capacity needs identified by the Government of Bangladesh to strengthen national REDD+ readiness efforts. This support is part of the UN-REDD Programme's "Support to National REDD+ Actions – Global Programme 2011-2015"; specifically related to strengthening capacities to develop and implement national MRV and monitoring.

FAO colleagues will be in contact with you regarding the necessary documentation to release the funds and start the detailed planning and arrangements for the activities indicated in your letter as included in the annex below.

FAO is committed to the successful implementation of targeted support to the Government of Bangaldesh's REDD+ readiness efforts. We are at your disposal for any further advice as part of the UN-REDD Programme.

Should you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex I. **Activities to be supported**

- **Technical capacity building for the GHG inventory for the LULUCF sector;**

This activity includes the technical support in the field of GHG inventory for LULUCF sector, satellite forest monitoring (SFM) system, and national forest inventory (NFI) and biomass assessment. This activity will particularly include initial training on the GHG inventory for the LULUCF, GIS for Forest Management, Remote Sensing for forest assessment and monitoring, National Forest Inventory and use of field equipments, allometric Equation development and biomass calculation, and the develop the database of existing allometric equations, while organizing some consultations on national forest definition. (USD 70 000)

- **Support Institutional Arrangements for GHG National Inventory System for the LULUCF sector;**

This activity includes supporting the coordination and collaboration across individuals and organizations and the establishment of the necessary institutional arrangements for the LULUCF sector. This activity could include: Assessment of the existing institutional arrangements (e.g. NFI, SFM, GHG Unit, sharing platform) and propose improvements on the institutional arrangement for effective implementation, including identify policy support necessary for institutional arrangement for effective implementation; on the inventory system, identify the strengths in and recommend for potential Improvements in Management Structure of National Inventory System for LULUCF. (USD 40 000)

- **Organize regular MRV meetings**

This activity supports the regular meetings of the MRV group in Bangladesh and their contribution to the implementation of the national REDD+ roadmap. This will include develop a calendar, contribute to the organization of meetings, including identify the topics to be discussed in each of the meetings and relevant contributors, and prepare the minute of each of the MRV meeting. (USD 5 000).