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REQUEST FOR TARGETED SUPPORT¹ Validation of National Forest Monitoring System Action Plan for REDD+ including NFI

I. SUMMARY OF REQUEST (complete cells in white)		
Main objective	Finalise and validate a National Forest Monitoring System Action Plan (NFMS AP) for Pakistan	
Main results expected	The main results and output expected from this support include: A complete, finalized and validated NFMS Action Plan that can address the objectives outlined above •	
Total amount requested (US\$)	USD 35,000	
Related Work Area/s² as defined in the <u>UN-REDD Programme Strategy</u> 2011-2015	Measurement, Reporting and Verification (MRV)	
Planned period of implementation ³	June – September 2015	
Please select below type of funding a	as appropriate	
Request for funding for REDD+ activit	ties implemented in support of existing UN-REDD National Programmes. ies complementary to other nationally-defined REDD+ activities (national REDD+ activities) or for initiation of REDD+ activities. (The country has	

- Use of this form in the application process for UN-REDD Programme targeted support ison a voluntary basis. If the
 country prefers using its own document, this form can be used as guidance on the content that is needed. See
 also guidance in the <u>Procedures for Accessing UN-REDD Programme Targeted Support.</u>
- Requests for targeted support should be presented in coordination with the teams of the participating UN organizations (FAO, UNDP and UNEP) and the Resident Coordinator.
- It is recommended that the UN-REDD Country Focal Point submits the request. The request should be sent to the UN-REDD Programme Secretariat (E-mail: un-redd@un-redd.org), with the Resident Coordinator in copy.
- If the proposal or request has been developed with relevant civil society and/or indigenous peoples' organization(s), the proposal/request should be signed by the civil society and/or indigenous peoples' organization(s) in question. See Section V, page 4.

²The work areas are: Monitoring Reporting Verification (MRV), Governance, Stakeholder Engagement, Safeguards and Multiple Benefits, Transparency & Accountability, Green Economy and Private Sector.

³ Period: from month/year to month/year.

II. BACKGROUND⁶

This request follows directly on from the previous Targeted Support request of November 2012, one of the outputs of which was a draft NFMS AP. The NFMS will include the elements necessary for the country's Measurement, Reporting and Verification (MRV) System for REDD+. Through the earlier Targeted Support request, Pakistan achieved the following:

- Multi-stakeholder development of National REDD+ Readiness Preparation Plan (R-PP)
- Capacity Building Needs Assessment for NFMS development
- 42 national and provincial stakeholders trained in Satellite Land Monitoring Systems
- 25 national and provincial stakeholders trained in Greenhouse Gas Inventory
- National NFMS/MRV working group formed, trained and operational
- NFMS AP drafted through contributions of NFMS/MRV working group

The NFMS AP is considered essential for the effective implementation of the MRV component of the R-PP, and should be endorsed through a transparent process before implementation of activities under the FCPF, anticipated to begin in July-August 2015.

The first TS request was due to end December 2014, but was extended to May 2015 due to delays in the convening of the NFMS/AP working group in 2014. Additional resources are required to complete the drafting process with a validation workshop in August 2015.

Pakistan is also requesting support to convene an additional training on National Forest Inventory (NFI). This need was identified during the preparation of NFMS Action Plan and would help enhance the national capacities on field inventory methods and estimation of emission factors for the National Forest Inventory under national circumstances. National Experts will be contacted for conducting the training.

III. SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

Please describe the main objectives, expected results and activities of the request.

 Provide details on type of support requested and include any needs for in-kind support such as knowledge, capacity building or technical information.

The main objective of this targeted support proposal is to provide assistance to the Office of the Inspector General of Forests (OIGF) in the finalisation and validation of a National Forest Monitoring System (NFMS) Action Plan (AP) that addresses the country's needs for forest resources monitoring, including the monitoring of REDD+ policies and measures and the reporting commitments at national and international level (such as the Biennial Update Reports (BURs) and National Communications for the UNFCCC). This will provide a detailed baseline for Pakistan's activities related to NFMS development, that will be implemented under the FCPF programme from 3rd quarter 2015 onwards. It will also serve to enhance capacity and to ensure a broad, consistent understanding of the key elements of NFMS among stakeholders at national and provincial levels, and provide a clear institutional framework for development and implementation of a NFMS for REDD+.

⁶ Depending on the phase of the country in its REDD+ efforts, some of these details are relevant. Others may be too detailed and can be further elaborated if the request is approved.

IV. IMPLEMENTATION

Please describe the implementing arrangements for the activities planned.

These activities will be implemented through a letter of agreement (LoA) with a national service provider, on behalf of the OIGF, and based on the recommendation of the OIGF. It is proposed that the LoA with WWF Pakistan, through which activities under the previous Targeted Support request were implemented, will be extended to cover the activities under this request. WWF-Pakistan will retain dedicated personnel to work on these activities throughout the duration of this request, including two junior staffers to be located at the OIGF.

The NFMS AP is being developed in consultation with a national working group comprised of government officials and non-government stakeholders from federal and provincial levels. The quality control and quality assurance of the outputs of the NFMS AP development process will be ensured through backstopping from FAO/UN-REDD advisors in HQ and regional offices. The services of national experts in Pakistan will be acquired for conducting the training on National Forest Inventory (NFI) in support of WWF-Pakistan.

V. FUNDING SOURCE

Please indicate any co-funding for the planned activities.

The FCPF programme in Pakistan is expected to be initiated within the 3rd quarter of 2015. Activities under the finalised, validated NFMS AP will be implemented through funds provided under this programme.

Description of planned outputs and activities (link to objectives and expected results in Section III)	Amount (US\$)	Implementation period (fron month /year to month/year)
 Finalisation and validation of NFMS AP Collection on working group inputs and comments on draft 2.0 of NFMS AP Compilation of draft 3.0 of NFMS AP Distribution of draft 3.0 to working group and other national and provincial stakeholders National validation workshop (35 participants) Finalisation, publication and distribution of NFMS AP 	25000	ongoing – June 2015 June 2015 July 2015 August 2015 (First Week) August 2015 (Third Week) September 2015
 Training on National Forest Inventory for REDD+ 	10000	August 2015 (dates tbd)
tal amount requested (US\$)	35,000	

VII. MONITORING OF PROGRESS AND REPORTING8

Please describe how the progress of planned activities and outputs will be monitored and reported over time.

(When monitoring and reporting activities, involve the collection of data in terms of involvements of stakeholders (number of persons etc) and please disaggregate data by sex. Consider also creating gender-sensitive indicators to measure activities).

Successive drafts of the NFMS AP, and comments received from stakeholders, will be retained by the national service provider.

Reports and minutes of the validation workshop and FRLs workshop will be prepared by the national service provider, including gender-disaggregated participants lists.

A final report, including financial accounting, will be provided by the service provider to OIGF and FAO.

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⁸ Overall. targeted support is reported on according to the semi annual and annual reporting cycle of the UN-REDD Programme.

⁹It is recommended that the UN-REDD Country Focal Point submits the request. See also footnotes on page 1.