

MISSION REPORT				
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	PROJECT NUMBER & TITLE: UN-REDD Viet Nam Phase II Programme			
	INSTITUTION(S) OR MEETING(S):			
	Provincial workshop on identification and analysis of solutions for the development of Provincial REDD+ Action Plan (PRAP) of Lao Cai Province			
PT8 number: unavailable	AND VENUE(S): Lao Cai Province, Viet Nam			
	MAIN PERSON(S) CONTACTED: Lao Cai PPMU: Mr. To Manh Tien (Vice Director of DARD Ha Tinh and Director of Provincial Programme Management Unit - PPMU); Mr. Giang (Provincial Coordinator of Lao Cai PPMU); Mr. Nguyen Danh Tinh (Lao Cai Field Coordinator of PMU)			
	FAO PRAP consultant: Mr. Phan Trieu Giang			
	Co-implementing partner (CIP) : Mr. Vu Tien Dien (Director of Forest Resource and Environment Center of Forest Inventory and Planning Institute – FREC) and FREC PRAP Team			
	OBJECTIVE(S): 1) to discuss with PPMU and CIP in preparation of the workshop 2) to participate and provide support in the workshop 3) to discuss and agree on follow-up actions with PPMU and FREC Team on PRAP development in Lao Cai			

BRIEF SUMMARY:

(1) Preparation meeting on 16/11/2015

The FAO consultant and I participated in the discussion with the Provincial Programme Management Unit (PPMU) and FREC Team to review the preparation of the workshop. Prior to the discussion, we held a discussion with Mr. Tien, PPMU Director about the PRAP process and the objectives and expected outcomes of the workshop.

(2) Workshop on identification and analysis of solution for the development of Provincial REDD+ Action Plan (PRAP) of Lao Cai Province

The workshop was organized at the River View Hotel with about 30 provincial participants representing provincial departments, representatives of districts and forest owners (forest management boards and enterprises). There was no participation of some key provincial departments: MONRE, DPI.

Issues/topics discussed at the workshop:

- Day 1: Following presentation of CIP to provide a summary of the result from the last participatory driver workshop (organized in Sa Pa town on 17 and 18 October), the participants then divided into for working groups to review the results and to develop the solution trees for the selected issues. At the end of day 1, groups presented their solution trees for all participants for comments;
- Day 2: Participants continued working in groups focusing on identification of solution packages for PRAP based on the solution trees. Several solutions have been proposed but can be grouped into the key interventions, such as measures to enhance capacity building and enforcement of forestry law; improving livelihood of forest-dependent communities; supporting practices toward sustainable management of forest, such as FSC; review and revised forest land use and planning. The results were presented at the end of day 2 for further comments from participants.

(3) Discuss and agree on follow-up actions with the PPMU and FREC Team on PRAP development in Lao Cai

In the morning of Thursday, 19/11, the PPMU held a meeting with the FREC team to review and agree on the follow-up actions related to PRAP development:

- FREC team to consolidate and review the proposed solutions/actions for PRAP Lao Cai;
- FREC to conduct comparative analysis of proposed solutions/actions with other provincial plans (SEDP, FPDP, etc.), conduct a preliminary assessment on social and environmental risks and benefits related to the Cancun safeguards and prepare for the field verification of site-based solutions/actions as inputs for the technical meeting with the provincial PRAP team;
- FREC team to collaborate with PPMU to organize/conduct field verification of site-based actions (expected to start in early December); and
- FREC team to develop work-flow for preparing maps for site-based solution packages.

ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN:

 Follow- up with FAO on providing support and controlling quality related to risks/benefits analysis of solutions and the field verification process.

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