

# Annual Joint Programme Progress Report - Bolivia

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| Country/Global       | Bolivia                                                           |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Title:               | Bolivian UN-REDD National Programme                               |
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#### I. PURPOSE

# Programme main outcome:

Bolivia's readiness for implementing a REDD+ National Programme for reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation within the framework of the National Forest and Climate Change Strategy by 2013.

# **Outcomes:**

- 1. Improving capacity among national government institutions for implementing REDD+ activities, and monitoring and assessing carbon stock in forests.
- 2. Improving civil society's capacity for implementing REDD+ activities.
- 3. Generating REDD+-related experience at a local level, with the participation of territorial bodies and the civil society.

# UNDAF related outcome:

Strengthening the institutional and organizational capacity for productive development and job creation through the sustainable management of natural resources and the environment.

# Main implementing partners:

*Policy Committee:* ministries, vice-ministries (according to relevance) and social organizations.

*Technical Committee:* permanent members - technical teams of vice-ministries, prefectures, municipalities, public universities, research institutes, technical teams of social organizations - and temporary members - NGOs, private universities, institutes and research centers -.

*Political Focal Point:* Vice-Ministry of Environment, Biodiversity, Climate Changes and Forest Development and Management.

Technical Focal Point: Climate Change National Programme.

| Contributor   | Amount in US\$ | Title and description of<br>Programme/activities                                                                                                              |  |  |
|---------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| MDTF - UNREDD | 2,787,350      | Outcome 1. Improving capacity among<br>national government institutions for<br>implementing REDD+ activities, and<br>monitoring and assessing carbon stock in |  |  |

#### II. RESOURCES

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|               |                          | forests.                                    |  |  |
|---------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--|--|
| MDTF - UNREDD | 743,650                  | Outcome 2. Improving civil society's        |  |  |
|               |                          | capacity for implementing REDD+ activities. |  |  |
| MDTF - UNREDD | 1,177,000                | Outcome 3. Generating REDD+-related         |  |  |
|               |                          | experience at a local level, with the       |  |  |
|               |                          | participation of territorial bodies and the |  |  |
|               |                          | civil society.                              |  |  |
| KfW (Germany) | € 2,000,000 (in process) | Technical Cooperation for Institutional     |  |  |
|               |                          | strengthening                               |  |  |
|               | € 8,000,000 (in process) | Implementation of pilot projects.           |  |  |
| FCPF          | 3,600,000 (under         | The RPP document has been prepared in       |  |  |
|               | discussion)              | 2010, but will be modified to reflect the   |  |  |
|               |                          | results of the Conference of People on      |  |  |
|               |                          | Climate Change and of the international     |  |  |
|               |                          | negotiations on climate change before       |  |  |
|               |                          | being submitted to the FCPF.                |  |  |
|               |                          |                                             |  |  |

The allocations of the funds from Germany and from FCPF have been discussed during the elaboration of the NJP document, by a team of government staff and consultants working together on a unique log-frame in order to ensure perfect synergy and coordination during the implementation of each initiative. They shall have the same steering committee and interlocutors.

# **III. RESULTS**

- Several stakeholders meetings were held in 2010. One was organized on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January in La Paz to validate the NJP before its submission to the policy board in March 2010. The minute from the validation meeting was signed by the 5 main indigenous organizations as well as governmental and UN authorities.
- The UN-REDD Programme was invited and gave a presentation during a CIDOB meeting on Climate Change and Forests in Trinidad, Beni on February 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The UN-REDD Policy Board approved the budget allocation of US\$ 4.7 million for Bolivia in March 2010 during its 4<sup>th</sup> Policy Board meeting and tasked the country to finalize the UN-REDD Programme document based on comments provided.
- One of the requirements of the implementation was to undertake the harmonized approach to cash transfer (HACT) assessment for the implementing partner. The HACT assessment of the National Program on Climate Change was finalized in June 2010.
- COICA (Coordinating Body for the Indigenous People's Organization of the Amazon) had its most important regional meeting in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, with all the heads of its partner organizations, from the 23 to the 26 of August. The UN-REDD Programme was invited and gave a presentation during this event.
- The comments of the UN-REDD Programme Secretariat and the independent reviewer were addressed and incorporated in the final version of the national Programme

document, with the support from the 3 UN-REDD agencies in September 2010, and the document has been signed by the Ministry of Environment and Water, the Viceministry of Environment, Biodiversity, Climate Change and Forestry Management and Development, the Vice Ministry of Public and External Investment, by the UN-REDD agencies and by the Resident Coordinator.

- Indigenous People Representatives from Bolivia have participated to the regional workshop on Free, Prior and Informed Consent and recourse mechanism, organized by the UN-REDD Programme in Panamá city from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 7<sup>th</sup> of October 2010. This regional workshop followed the first regional workshop organized in Asia on the same topic, and precedes the one that will be organized in Africa. The will all contribute to the elaboration of guidelines on FPIC and recourse mechanism for the UN-REDD Programme.
- The resources for 2011 were transferred to the UN agencies in December 2010. Implementation will begin effectively in 2011.
- Throughout the year multiple meetings with the governmental focal point were sustained in order to coordinate UN-REDD elaboration, finalization and inception activities. Progress in drafting implementation guidelines, annual work plans and budgets as well as terms of reference for the UN-REDD team was achieved.
- In 2010 two missions from the UNDP regional center to Bolivia were carried out providing technical assistance to the various activities to be realized during the elaboration, the finalization and the inception phase of the Programme.

#### Priority actions planned:

#### **IV. FUTURE WORK PLAN**

Improving capacity among national government institutions for implementing REDD+ activities, and monitoring and assessing carbon stock in forests: Design of the forest and land-use monitoring system, the national forest inventory and programming the inventory for priority areas; development of a new methodology for the inventory of carbon contents according to the IPCC; qualifying government institutions and other relevant stakeholders to work with methodologies, forest and land-use assessment tools and forest inventory; generating a deforestation and emission prognoses and scenarios; design of a system for transferring and distributing REDD+ resources; development of a collaborative analyzing and adjusting legal, political and institutional issues regarding REDD+; support to the implementation of the Climate Change National Programme; preparing a first version of Action Plan for Reducing Emissions from DD (REDD+ Plan) in basis of the causes analysis of deforestation and a prognosis of such impacts.

*Improving civil society's capacity for implementing REDD+ activities:* Systematizing lessons learned at a REDD+ level; design of a communication and training strategy; developing a participation plan for stakeholders to design REDD+ activities; preparing communication material and training for different types of stakeholders; preparing a national REDD+ communication and training campaign addressed to decision makers, local stakeholders and general public; identifying needs at the university system for

fostering research on REDD+; and promoting the creation of an accessible data and results bank from research on REDD+.

Generating REDD+-related experience at a local level, with the participation of territorial bodies and the civil society: Preparing a standard methodological framework for implementing pilot projects; designing a monitoring and assessment system on the impacts of pilot projects; selection of pilot REDD+ Programmes and projects to be supported and design of technical cooperation for these pilot projects; and qualifying local stakeholders for planning, implementing, monitoring and assessment of REDD+ pilot projects.

# Estimated budget required (2011 IN US\$):

| Outcome                                                                                                                                               | TOTAL     | FAO     | UNDP    | UNEP<br>(through<br>UNDP) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
| 1. Improving capacity among national government institutions for implementing REDD+ activities, and monitoring and assessing carbon stock in forests. | 831,500   | 429,500 | 186,500 | 215,500                   |
| 2. Improving civil society's capacity for implementing REDD+ activities.                                                                              | 182,000   | -       | 182,000 | -                         |
| 3. Generating REDD+ - related experience at a local level, with the participation of territorial bodies and the civil society.                        | 123,000   | 52,000  | 71,000  | -                         |
| IC (7%)                                                                                                                                               | 79,555    | 33,705  | 45,850  |                           |
| Total:                                                                                                                                                | 1,216,055 | 515,205 | 700,850 |                           |

# **V. FINANCIAL IMPLEMENTATION**

| Participating UN Org. | Total Transferred Up to 31<br>December 2010 | Cumulative<br>Up to 31 December 2010<br>ACTUALS |                  |  |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------|--|
|                       |                                             | Commitments *                                   | Disbursements ** |  |
| FAO                   | US\$ 515,205                                | 0-                                              | 0-               |  |
|                       | US\$ 700,850 (including                     |                                                 |                  |  |
|                       | US\$215.000 under UNEP                      |                                                 |                  |  |
| UNDP                  | supervision)                                | 0-                                              | 0-               |  |
|                       | UNEP has pooled its funds with              |                                                 |                  |  |
|                       | those of UNDP, UNEP funds                   |                                                 |                  |  |
|                       | have been transferred directly              |                                                 |                  |  |
| UNEP                  | from MDTF to UNDP                           | 0-                                              | 0-               |  |
| Total                 | US\$ 1,216,055                              | 0-                                              | 0-               |  |

The funds listed in this table have been transferred at the end of 2010. They will be executed in 2011.