



# Preparation on Annual Bidding Coupe for Domestic Consumption

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# Background

There are three main sources of timber supply to domestic use:

- Forest concession (10% to 20% for local use)
- Annual bidding coupe
- Confiscate illegal timber by court decision

*Note: The forest concession harvesting was suspended from the first of January 2002 up to now by the Prakas of Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (Dec. 2001).*

The Prakas, defined the legal procedures for acquiring annual forest product-by-product right within production forest outside concession areas based on public bidding coups.

*According to article 20 of forestry law, the product harvest from these bidding coups will mainly supply to domestic use or export.*

# How to solve the domestic timber supply

For solve this problem, FA start to seek another sources for supply timber to the local market.

- Selling the timber which confiscated by the decision from the Court.
- Set up annual bidding coupes out site forest concession that allowed by the forestry Law 2001.

# The annual bidding coupe preparation

Refer to the letter No. 5819 កែសម្រួល, dated 14 November 2005 by Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries to Forestry Administration on quota of collection annual forest product-by product right within production forest out side concession areas base on public bidding coups. In 2005-2006, FA is arranged 4 the annual bidding coupes, which locate in following:

- Siemreap Cantonment
- Rattanakiri Cantonment
- Kratie Cantonment
- Stung Treng cantonment

# Management of the annual bidding coupe

The main process in this procedure is divided in 2 stages as following:

- Forest inventory & tree marking  
,report on environmental social impact assessment and preparation of forest management plan
- Public bidding procedure

# Forest inventory & tree marking and preparation of the forest management plan

FA is conducted the technical process that follow the procedure stated in the forestry law and manuals.

The technical process is mainly:

- Pre- survey the annual bidding coupe areas
- Forest inventory and resource calculation by coupes; and 100% inventory (tree marking) in a block
- Environmental and social impact assessment; and
- Preparation of forest management plan.

The chief of FA Division has the duty to prepare a forest management plan for production forest outside concession areas located under their jurisdiction. and submit to the head of FA for commend and approval.



On January 13, 2006 Heng Brother Co., Ltd. started a logging with accompany of FA-Cantonment Ratanakiri, FA-Division Vensay. Up to now, harvesting in block 1 and 2 has been finished, and logging amount in follow:

- Luxury	46pieces	=	73.755m <sup>3</sup>
- First class	103pieces	=	202.842m <sup>3</sup>
- Second class	45pieces	=	151.341m <sup>3</sup>
- Third class	26pieces	=	68.459m <sup>3</sup>

Number of logs is 202 pieces, and estimated volume by measured diameter is 496.397m<sup>3</sup> .

Logging operation is being continued in sequent block in the special coupe.

2. Four annual bidding coupes is on progress in the stage of forest inventory for compartment level that achieved 20% of pre-inventory plan.

The study on environmental social impact assessment is conducted, that recorded physical environment existing and survey social economic for local community who living in and near the annual bidding coupe areas.

Thank you very much