
National Forest Programme Development

-Progress and Way Forward-

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Background

- international forest regimes (UNFF) calls for member states to implement IPF/IFF Proposal for Actions and develop national forest programme
 - In November 2004, the RGC established a Technical Working Group on Forestry and Environment (TWG-F & E) to provide a mechanism for government-donor coordination to support and strengthen development activities within the forestry and environment sectors
 - One of the keys activities of the Action Plan 2007-2010 is NFP development
 - NFP Task Force was established in 2007
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Objective

The NFP Task Force will oversee and guide the development of the structure, contents and a set of coherent documents constituting the key elements of the NFP. These will include, among others, :

- (i) a National Forest Statement specifying the main strategic features of the NFP (visions, objectives, policies and international commitments/obligations)
 - (ii) an updated Sector Review encompassing key policy, legislative/regulatory and institutional reforms needed and capacity development requirements
 - (iii) prioritised programmes and subprogrammes
 - (iv) an investment programme and financing strategy, and
 - (v) a Management and Information System to support effective monitoring and evaluation
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Approach

- Developing ToR of the NFP Task Force
 - Establishing the NFP Task Force (Multi-stakeholders dialogue)
 - Developing annual workplan
 - Establishing NFP Subgroups
 - Organizing meetings and workshops
 - Conducting consultations
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Current Main Activities of NFP Task Force

- Identifying programmes and subprogrammes
 - Establishing the NFP Subgroups
 - Formulating the programmes and subprogrammes
 - Building capacity and sharing knowledge
 - Sharing information and networking
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Achievements

- Six programmers identified:
 - National Forest Demarcation, Classification and Registration Programme
 - Forest Resource Management and Conservation Programme
 - Forest Law Enforcement and Governance programme
 - National Community Forestry Programme
 - Capacity Building and Research Development Programme
 - Forest, Climate Change and Innovative Financing Programme
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Achievements (continued)

Name of programmes	Name of Subgroups
1. National Forest Demarcation, Classification and Registration	NFM
2. Forest Resource Management and Conservation	
3. Forest Law Enforcement and Governance	FLEG
4. National Community Forestry	NCFP
5. Capacity Building and Research Development	CB &RD
6. Forest, Climate Change and Innovative Financing	FCCIF
0. NFP Facility Support Programme	NFP Facility

Achievements (continued)

Name of programmes	Number of subprogrammes/ activities
1. National Forest Demarcation, Classification and Registration	3 +11
2. Forest Resource Management and Conservation	
3. Forest Law Enforcement and Governance	4
4. National Community Forestry	4
5. Capacity Building and Research Development	5
6. Forest, Climate Change and Innovative Financing	4
0. NFP Facility Support	5

Achievements

- Building capacity and sharing knowledge

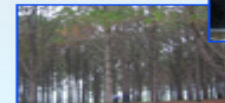
A training workshop to share knowledge and experiences on NFP was conducted on 8th April 2004

Achievements

- Sharing information and networking

NFP webpages were developed and linked to
TWG F&E website

<http://www.twgfe.org/nfp/>



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Welcome to National Forest Programme website!

In 1997 the RGC initiated the process of developing a National Forest Programme (NFP) by establishing a national committee on forest policy reform with support from FAO, UNDP and WB (FAO 2002). In 2002, the secretariat of the committee in collaboration with the GTZ-funded Cambodian-German forestry project formulated a national forest policy statement (RGC 2002). Subsequently, a new Forest Law was promulgated in 2002, a Forestry Administration was established in 2003, and a Sub Decree on Community Forestry adopted in 2005.

In November 2004, the RGC established a Technical Working Group on Forestry and Environment (TWG-F & E) to provide a mechanism for government-donor coordination to support and strengthen development activities within the forestry and environment sectors (Details are available at www.twgfe.org).

Since September 2006 the Forest and Landscape, University of Copenhagen has supported the Forestry Administration in initiating the current NFP process including LFA workshops on planning (September 2006) and support in conducting two preparatory NFP workshops, one internal in FA (January 2007) and one with multiple stakeholders (March 2007).

In spite of earlier initiatives outlined above, the development of a coherent National Forest Programme has yet to be completed in Cambodia. The preparation of the NFP will follow a participatory planning approach that encourages the involvement of all forest-dependent actors at village, commune, district, provincial, national and international levels. Throughout the preparatory process, a National Forest Programme Task Force was established. In October 2007, the Task Force conducted its first meeting to agree on the Annual Action Plan 2007-2008.

The purpose of the NFP is to promote the conservation and sustainable management and use of forest resources in Cambodia. The NFP will aim to meet local, national and global needs by coordinating national and international partnerships to manage, use, protect and regenerate forest resources for the benefit of present and future generations of Cambodians. The preparation of a NFP in Cambodia, whilst adopting a consultative approach, will emphasize national sovereignty with regard to the management of the country's forest resources, and the need for country leadership and responsibility. The NFP, as a framework for planning, will provide strategic orientation for the forestry sector in harmony with other sectors of the national economy. As a framework for action and investment, the NFP will also facilitate concerted and coordinated implementation of programmes and activities by all stakeholders based on mutually agreed objectives and strategies.

Way forward

- Finalizing the programmers and subprogrammes
 - Developing draft NFP Framework Document
 - Conducting consultations on NFP Framework Document
 - Finalizing the NFP Framework Document
 - Implementing the programmes and subprogrammes
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Thank your for your attention

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