

**PROGRESS REPORT OF THE JOINT TECHNICAL WORKING GROUPS**  
**For the Period: January 2006 - September 2006**

*This questionnaire on progress made by each Joint Technical Working Group is requested by the Secretariat of the Government-Donor Coordination Committee (GDCC). It should be completed and submitted to the Secretariat of the GDCC before **20 September 2006**. It will be used to prepare a summary progress report for the eighth GDCC Meeting scheduled to be held on 05 October 2006. Please return the completed questionnaire to Mr. Chhieng Yanara at CDC/CRDB in soft copy through yanara@camnet.com.kh. and in hard copies.*

**TWG: FORESTRY AND ENVIRONMENT**

**A. PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING TWG' S ACTION PLANS**

1. Please list below activities in the Action Plans that were scheduled to be implemented during the last nine months (January to September 2006) and provide an update on implementation status of these activities.

Scheduled Activities	Implementation Status			
	On Schedule	Behind Schedule	If behind schedule, reasons for delay	TWG Recommendations for GDCC Consideration, if any
1. Develop and implement National Forest Program.	✓	✓	Initial support secured to start from September, but more will probably be needed for completing the National Forest Program and Management Planning in 2007. Agreement with FLD to be included in AWPB-2007.	
2. Practical implementation of forest demarcation and demarcation of protected areas		✓	MEF has allocated budget for this activity, It will start in October 2006. Some protected areas have been done and some areas are not yet demarcated. Presentation by LMAP at next TWG meeting.	Need more funding for support activity and cooperation and coordination with Ministry of Lands.
3. Formulate National Forest Management Plans and manage the forest based on the plan		✓	In the reviewing process of FA division's forest management plans and preparation NFP.	
4. Develop Management Plans for protected areas	✓	✓	Some protected areas have no fund to develop the plan.	Need more fund for the remaining areas. Ministry of Environment to release data on Protected Parks (Decision pending for

				9 months)
5. Forest cover assessment for 2005	✓	✓	30% of the total area has been done, but still looking for International institution to qualify the assessment.  Three institutions to be contracted for independent data verification (MRC-TA, FLD and GRAS A/S) Data and outputs to be made available in the public domain. Detailed follow-up studies of “hot spots” using high resolution imagery to be developed as part of AWPB-2007.	
6. Define management options for sustainable forest management in Cambodia		✓	Proposal has been made, will start in 2007. FA to draft service delivery packages.	
7. Studies domestic demand for forest products and potential export markets		✓	To finalize the previous work.	
8. Continue Forest and Land Crime Monitoring and Reporting	✓		No fund for Independent Monitor (SGS)	Need budget
9. Secure support and funding and implement the National Forest Gene Conservation Programs Action Plan 2006-10.	✓		Funding secured mid-September 2006 for a 2 year Community Based Forest Gene Conservation project. Implementation w/e October 2006.	
10. Implement National Community Forestry Program and develop community forestry.	✓		Agreement with FLD to strengthen livelihoods opportunities.	
11. Assess and test out “Forest Partnership” in pilot communes as an alternative form of forest management and a mechanism for forest revenue to contribute to local development.	✓		Agreement with FLD to strengthen livelihoods opportunities.	
12. Small scale family business based on forest products promoted		✓	No fund for implementation of extension service	Need budget
13. Implement Overall Capacity Building Program	✓	✓	On-going, but the rest no support to implement.	
14. Install Website for TWGFE	✓			
15. Tree planting for socio-economic purposes and environmental services by multiple stakeholders.	✓	✓	3,500 ha has been planted	Encourage investment in tree planting from private and government sectors
16. Processing techniques for value added products and innovative products		✓	No budget for implementation	Need budget

promoted			
17. Capacity building project for forestry sector phase II	✓		
18. Capacity building tree seed sector and apply for funding and continuation	✓		

2. Are there any other issues affecting the implementation of TWG Action Plan that it would like to submit for GDCC's consideration?

- a. Insufficient fund to cover the TWG Work Plan.
- b. Information sharing from all stakeholders to TWG secretariat needs attention and improvement.
- c. More donor back-up and financial attention for TWG meeting is required.

#### B. PROGRESS ON JOINT MONITORING INDICATORS

3. If there are any Joint Monitoring Indicator(s) agreed at the 8<sup>th</sup> CG Meeting held in March 2006 that fall within the mandate of *this* TWG, please list the JMIs below and indicate progress that has been made toward achieving the JMI targets.

Joint Monitoring Indicator	Timeframe	What is the current implementation status?	What are the constraints that you are experiencing, if any?	What recommendations do you have, for GDCC consideration to resolve the identified constraints?
1. Strengthening the enforcement of the Forestry Law, especially combating forest land clearing and encroachment.	Quarterly report	191.090 ha of forest land are being taken back from offenders, which include 9,324 ha is flood forest.	Lack of means and financial support for the activity.	Need budget support
2. Rationalizing and reclassify national forest lands to ensure sustainable use of these resources by further forest demarcation/demarcation of protected areas.	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2006	- Budget for forest demarcation has been allocated by MEF; it will be start in October 2006.  - 16 Protected Areas (National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary) are being produced map and on ground boundary demarcation by putting landmark.  - Protected Landscape and Multiple Use Area are under complicated situation.	- Insufficiency budget for this activity	Need more budget
3. Completing forest cover assessment 2005/06	end 2006	30 % of total area has been done.	9 Landsat ETM scenes to be purchased and analysis undertaken by FA GIS Lab.	Budget secured

			Three institutions to be contracted for independent data verification (MRC-TA, FLD and GRAS A/S).	
4. Implementing Community Forestry Program and develop community forestry.	Quarterly	The program approved and take action in some areas		Need more budget
5. Implementing capacity building for forestry sector program/ tree planting for socio-economic purposes.	Quarterly	- Capacity building: on schedule - 3,500 ha has been planted		- Need more investment in tree planting
6. Independent monitoring in the forestry sector (subject to donor grant funding)		Still pending for fund support	No fund	Need funding
7. Strengthen transparency by disseminating all relevant sector information on the activities of government agencies, including information on mining concession and military development zones, as well as donors and NGOs by periodically posting on TWGFE website.	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2006	- MIME disclosed information of mining areas. - MoD sent a representative to a member of TWG and will disclose the military development zones in the TWG meeting. - MoE will be requested to share GIS data with stakeholders.	- Some development partner and NGOs are still not full providing information to TWG-F&E	- Need share information

#### C. IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE ACTION PLAN ON HARMONIZATION, ALIGNMENT AND RESULTS

4. What actions have you taken to implement the Harmonization, Alignment, and Results Action Plan? What are the constraints that you are experiencing, if any? What recommendations do you have, for GDCC consideration to resolve the identified constraints?

Relevant section and sub-section of the H-A-R Action Plan	Action Taken	Update
B.1.a.1 Development partners review their country assistance strategies and policies to align their assistance with NSDP priorities and sector development plans	MRMLP (2006-2010) supported by Danida/DfiD Multi-DORNOR Livelihoods Facility aligned to NSDP.	NRMLP launched by MEF/CDC 12 September 2006.
B.2.d.2 Implement the agreed strategy	Any strategy has been developed based upon identification of parallel PIU/PMU in forestry sector.	The TWG modality is expected to be the entry point for forest development and donor assistance inc TA support.

B.3.a.1 All sector plans and development programs/projects includes an assessment of the existing capacity gaps and a capacity development plan to fill gaps to achieve targeted development results.	Overall capacity building program of the forestry sector was formulated under the participation of vast stakeholders and evaluation of all relevant programs/projects	The formulation of a National Forest Programme will address capacity development
B.3.a.2 Each sector TWG prepares and implements a capacity development program for their sector ministry/agency to fill identified capacity gaps.	Overall capacity building program of the forestry sector has been implemented with inviting most of stakeholders of their participation.	Additional capacity development support agreed for the GIS/remote Sensing Laboratory within FA and FOR Community Based Forest Gene Conservation.
C.1.a.2 Each TWG prepares a plan to increase delegated cooperation within their sector/thematic area.	TWG-F&E Website provides opportunities to exchange information of donor's delegation/mission each other.	DFID has delegated its NRM6L support to Danida and it is expected that joint missions will be promoted and analytical work will be jointly formulated
C.1.b.1 Each TWG prepares a calendar of field missions diagnostic review and duties planned by donors participating in the sector/thematic area of the TWG	TWG-F&E Website provides opportunities to exchange information of donor's delegation/mission, and it is alternate schedule sheet of missions.	TWG will prepare calendar and activities to share

#### D. RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

5. Has the TWG been able to mobilize the resources to implement its Action Plan for 2006?

yes

no

If no, please answer the following questions:

- What is the total amount of resources the TWG had estimated to implement its Action Plan for 2006? (in USD): **18.49 million**
- What is the minimum additional amount that the TWG needs to implement its Action Plan? (in USD): **5.33 million**
- Which development partners do you think would be able to provide the required resources? : JICA, DANIDA, DEFID, GTZ, FAO, UNDP, EU, AFD, USAID.

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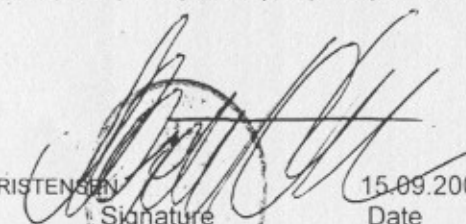
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