

REDD Readiness Progress Fact Sheet

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1. R-PP Preparation and FCPF Readiness grant

- R-PP assessed by FCPF PC at PC6.
- FCPF Readiness Grant in preparation (fiduciary arrangements to be finalized, WB due diligence ongoing, preparation of R-PP Assessment Note)
- \$200K FCPF Formulation Grant is signed and disbursed as of Sept 2010
- Revised RPP submitted to the FCPF in accordance with the PC 6 resolution

2. National REDD Readiness Management Arrangements

- The apex body is the National REDD plus Steering committee. The Terms of Reference have been developed and will be approved during the first Steering Committee Meeting scheduled for November 2010
- The National REDD + Technical Group was created in 2009. There are three working groups (Policy, Methodology and Consultation) within the Technical Group. The Technical Group has an advisory role to the REDD Plus Steering Committee
- The National REDD + Coordination office will be established soon and will facilitate implementation of R-PP activities.
- The REDD+ Component Task Forces will also be established within the NRCO to provide expertise and oversight on specific REDD+ strategy options.

3. Stakeholder Consultations and Communication

- Consultations at national level with civil society began in 2008 as part of consultations on the National Climate Change Response Strategy
- A Stakeholder Consultation and Participation (C&P) Plan was designed and implemented in the formulation phase (November 2009- end May 2010).
- Series of 4 regional consultations, with participation from 10 forest conservancies, was organized during the R-PP formulation phase (one meeting for Western , Nyanza and North Rift conservancies; two in Mau conservancy with one of them aimed exclusively for Indigenous Peoples, one for Central highlands, eastern and Ewaso conservancies).
- A national validation workshop was held in. May 2010.
- KFS has developed its own website and REDD+ web pages can be found on this website. Communication material (brochures) were prepared before the consultations.
- A plan to follow up on consultations during Readiness Preparation phase has been developed. Kenya is also developing a communication strategy on REDD.

4. REDD Strategy Preparation

- Study on Forest Sector Background Paper completed.
- Thematic studies for filling in information gaps have been identified (Domestic timber supply and demand, Economic assessment of impact of ban on logging in plantations, and alternative livelihood activities etc.) and

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need to be instituted soon.

- Candidate strategies, their objectives and expected outcomes are described in the R-PP. Next steps will be to evaluate and monitor outcomes of early action testing followed by scaling up of measures deemed successful.

5. Implementation Framework

- Options for implementation including those for Tracking and information systems for bringing transparency in R-PP implementation and conflict resolution and grievance management mechanisms to be tested
- A phased approach is proposed for up to 2013 and beyond.
- Next steps are still to be formalized.

6. SESA

- Draft ToRs for SESA were prepared and included in the R-PP. The assessment of social and environmental considerations will be integrated with REDD readiness and an expert team to lead SESA process is to be commissioned.

7. Development of a Reference Scenario

- ToRs for developing Reference Scenario prepared.
- Discussions have already commenced among local stakeholders on data needs and availability to support development on a Reference scenario and the Monitoring system.

8. MRV

- Discussions currently ongoing on how best to develop an effective MRV system. This is being done within the framework of a National Carbon Accounting System. Clinton Foundation is supporting this initiative.
- National Workshop on MRV to be held in November.

9. Other

- Discussions have commenced with local development partners who wish to support implementation of specific components and activities within the RPP.
- A consultative meeting with stakeholders is being scheduled for mid-November to share information on how best to implement the proposal