

# Viet Nam's Experiences on National REDD+ Strategy and Pilot Projects

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1. Status of the national REDD+ strategy development
2. Experiences in developing NRAP
3. Pilot REDD+ projects linkages to the NRAP
4. Challenges on pilot projects experiences integration to national level

## I. Objectives, scope and object

- **Objectives:** to reduce GHG emissions through implementation of the REDD+ activities, to contribute to SFM, biodiversity conservation, poverty alleviation and sustainable development in Vietnam, and to the successful implementation of national strategy on climate change

**Period 2011-2015:**  
REDD readiness preparation and carry out demonstrations in at least 8 provinces

**Period 2016-2020:**  
Completion of REDD readiness and expanding REDD implementation in whole country (with required conditions)

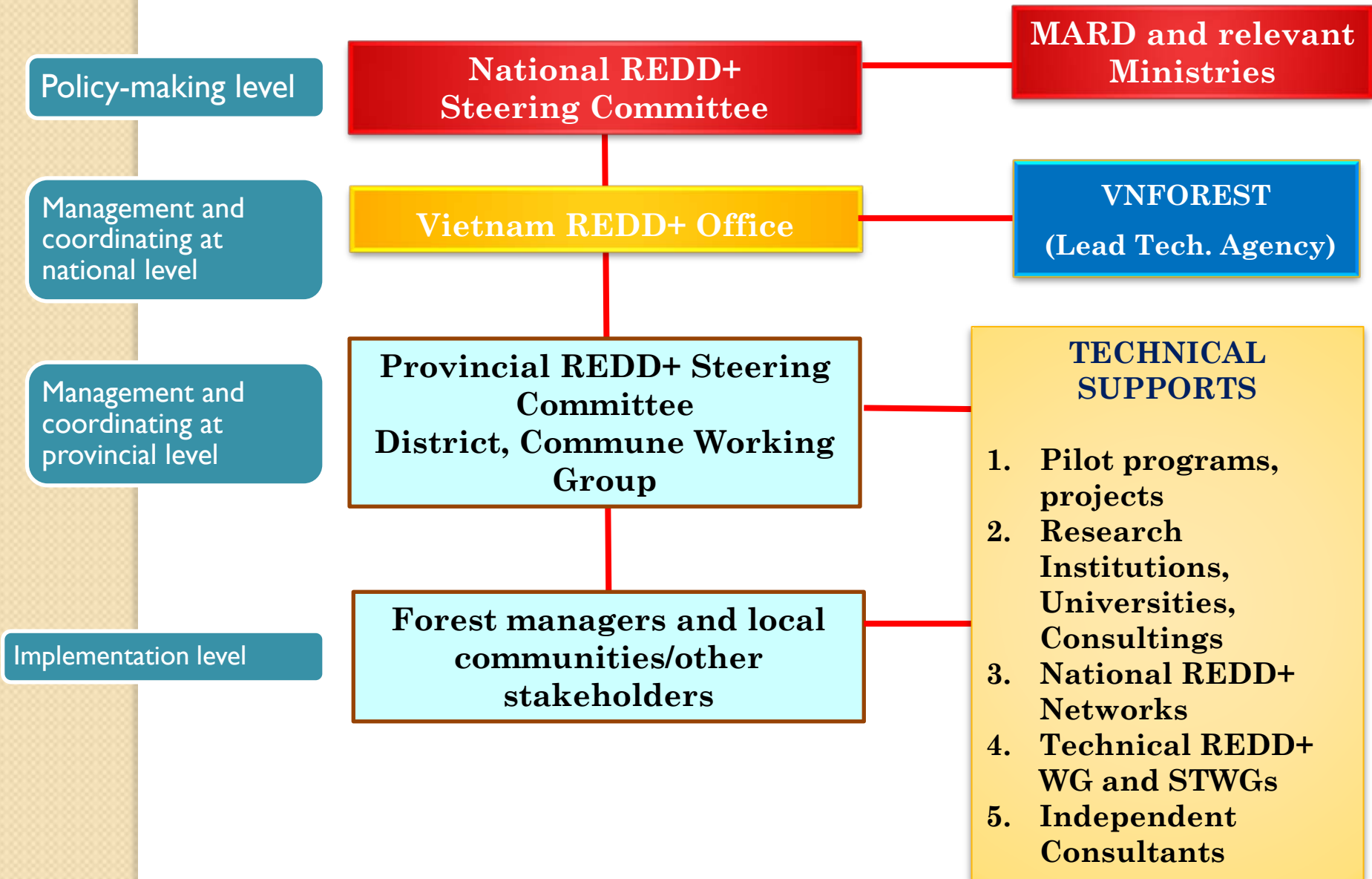
- **Scale:** nation-wide
- **Who:** all relevant stakeholders participating in REDD+ activities such as Government and non-gov. organizations, communities, particularly forest dependent and ethnic minorities, etc...

## II. Specific tasks

Period 2011-2015: Capacity building, development of institutional arrangement; policy formulation, establishment of RELs/FRLs, MRV, National REDD+ Fund, BDS, Safeguards, demonstrations of REDD+ policies and measures in pilot provinces, etc.



Period 2016-2020: Complete REDD+ readiness (e.g, formulation of relevant policies; institutional arrangement, finalizing RELs/FRLs, operational MRV, BDS, Safeguards



- Getting strong political support; consistent with and complementary to national policies on Climate Change and Forest Protection and Development
- Country-led and country-driven process
- Consistent with the UNFCCC principles, negotiation processes and requirements
- Meaningful participation of relevant stakeholders
- Great supports from development partners
- Pilot projects experiences to inform national policy makers.

# REDD+ PROJECTS MAP IN VIET NAM



- UN-REDD Viet Nam Phase I & II Programme
- FCPF
- USAID's LEAF & USAID's VFD
- JICA - Dien Bien REDD+ pilot and implementation
- GIZ, MB-REDD+, ENRICH, Carbi, FFI; PGA, PAC-REDD

## VARIOUS REDD+ PROJECT APPROACHES

### ➤ Key Similarities

- All REDD+ projects must support directly to REDD+ readiness preparation and contribute to GHG emissions; UNFCCC principles and requirements shall be applied
- REDD+ projects, programs under management and coordination of VNFOREST

### ➤ Key Differences

- Various approaches in Landscapes, REDD+ Technical components, standards, demonstration activities depend on projects formulation and implementer's technical capacity
- i.e. UN-REDD phase I: BDS, MRV; FCPF: REDD+ readiness for Carbon Fund; VVI: Reference level; SNV: local demonstration activities, safeguards; GIZ, FFI: VCS; UN-REDD phase II: implementation of NRAP; formulation and implementation of PRAP;

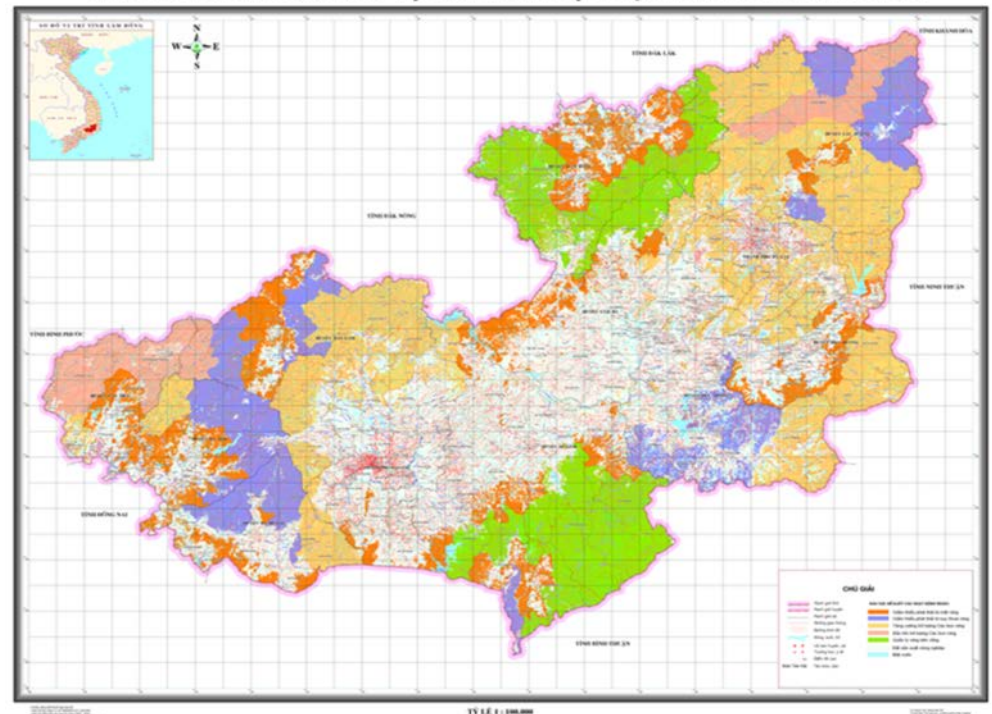




Lam Dong PRAP  
Drivers of  
deforestation and  
forest degradation

Potential  
REDD+  
Intervention

BẢN ĐỒ ĐỀ XUẤT CÁC KHU VỰC ƯU TIÊN THỰC HIỆN REDD+ TỈNH LÂM ĐỒNG



**Drivers of D & D**

**1990**

Forest Cover Change Assessment

**PRAP Objectives**

**2010**

**MRV  
M&E**

Lam Dong RL - BAU

FPDP + / -

FPDP + REDD+ / -

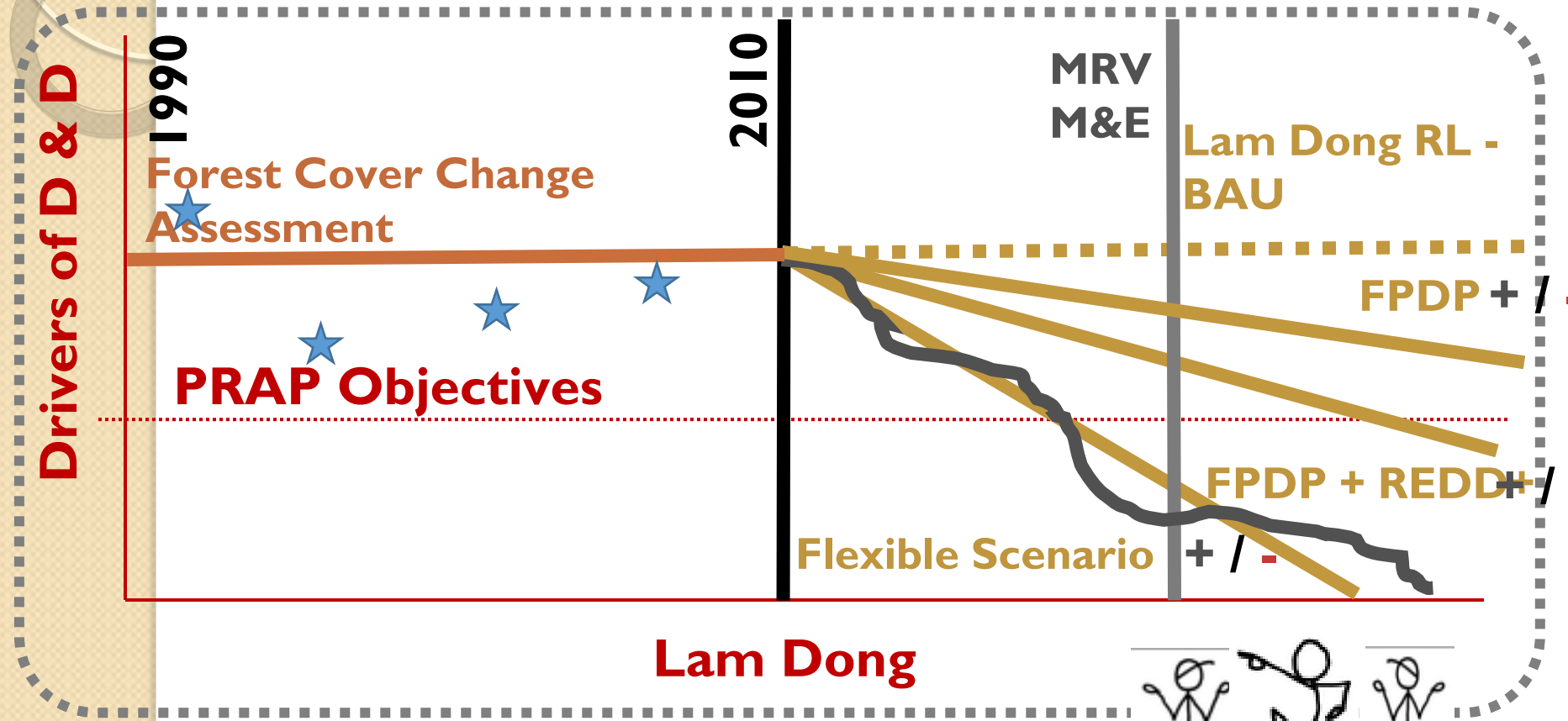
Flexible Scenario + / -

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**Principles**



**Policies and Measures**



## NATIONAL AND LOCAL EXPERIENCES INTERACTIONS

- Experiences and lessons learned from REDD+ and forest protection at local levels (e.g., stakeholder analysis and engagement, need assessment, diverse drivers & interventions, PFM, BDS, etc.) are very useful for NRAP development
- NRAP guide PRAP and technical development process → developing PRAP in Dien Bien and Lam Dong province → inform guidelines for development and implementation of PRAP in other provinces.
- Two way interactions on technical components: national and sub-national RL, MRV, BDS, safeguards in continue process

## CHALLENGES ON PILOT PROJECTS EXPERIENCES INTEGRATION TO NATIONAL LEVEL

- Diverse local situation(drivers, needs and requirements/expectations from REDD+ implementation)
- Diverse understanding on REDD+ (concept, activities, requirements, processes and financial resources) by different projects and partners caused problems
- It is very difficult to integrate local RELs into national REL
- Opportunity costs are so different
- Local REDD+ projects are usually connected/integrated to other relevant programs, policies; talked about payment, so that rose expectation
- Not all local experiences could be generalized and integrated into national level

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

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