

GHANA'S EXPERIENCE WITH THE NEW M&E TEMPLATE FOR REPORTING ON REDD+ READINESS ACTIVITIES

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Background - 1

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- ❑ A video conference session was held at the World Bank's Ghana Office on 26th September, 2013 (participants were from Ghana, Kenya, Liberia and representatives from the World Bank).
- ❑ The aim of the session was to enable the participants to deliberate on the revised FCPF program level M&E framework and country reporting template and put it to use to track Ghana's REDD+ readiness progress

Background – 2

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- ❑ In October, Ghana submitted its country's progress report covering the period January – September, 2013 using the revised template for country reporting
- ❑ This presentation covers critical lessons learnt during the preparation of the country progress report and also provides recommendations for improvement of the template

M&E framework for REDD+ readiness in Ghana - 1

- The purpose of Ghana's REDD+ M&E framework is to encourage efficient and transparent management of the financial and technical resources that have been made available to the country for implementation of REDD+ readiness activities.
- The indicators and the milestones will thus help the country to keep track of its progress towards REDD+ readiness and identify and address challenges as they emerge.

M&E framework for REDD+ readiness in Ghana - 2

- ❑ The FCPF program level M&E framework will guide the development of future framework for monitoring and evaluation of a national REDD+ process.
- ❑ Ghana is in the process of recruiting a consultant to help with development of Ghana's M&E framework.

Lessons and Recommendations for revised M & E Framework - 1

□ Ghana has found the M&E framework and the revised country reporting template to be very useful and view it as positive step towards monitoring readiness. The framework and the template has enabled the REDD+ secretariat to gain comprehensive and holistic understanding of the key issues which requires continuous monitoring, evaluation and assessment.

□ A critical issue is to ensure that there is synergy between the M&E framework for Ghana's REDD+ process and other complementary initiatives such as NLBI, NFPDP, NREG, FIP and FLEGT/ VPA. This strategy seeks to ensure that duplication of efforts is avoided whereas resources are utilized efficiently.

Lessons and Recommendations for Ghana's M&E Framework - 2

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- Finally, for the revised template which is aligned to Readiness Assessment Framework, there may be scope for reporting on similar aspects, for example, the various indicators/ components on stakeholder consultation processes in one place to preclude repetition of information.

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