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Vietnam Readiness Preparation Proposal FCPFR - Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

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Summary Information	
TF Status	ACTV
Recipient Country	Vietnam
Executed By	Recipient
Managing Unit	9532 - GEN2B
Grant Start Date / End Date	01/22/2013 to 05/31/2017
Original Grant Amount	3,800,000.00
Grant Amount	3,800,000.00
Outstanding Commitments	0.00
Cumulative Disbursements	3,609,022.67 as of 12/31/2016
Disbursed 01/22/2013 to 12/31/2016	3,609,022.67
Donor	TF602001 - MULTIPLE DONORS

This GRM report includes the following sections: Overview, Completion, Disbursements, Procurement Plan, Procurement Actuals.

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OVERVIEW

Overall Assessments

Grant Objectives:

The objective of the grant is to support Vietnam to become ready for future REDD+ implementation by preparing the key elements, systems and policies needed in a socially and environmentally sound manner.

Overall progress from 01/22/2013 to 12/31/2016 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:

Comment:

The FCPF provides grant funding to contribute to the preparation for REDD+ Readiness of Vietnam, including the development of supporting policies and systems, support for adopting national REDD+ strategies, development of reference emission levels (RELs); the designing of a measurement, reporting, and verification (MRV) systems; and setting up REDD+ national management arrangements, including improvements to existing environmental and social safeguards. FCPF is also supporting work on stakeholder consultations and engagement at different levels, including consultation work with forest dependent village communities, protected area Management Boards, State Forest Companies, District and Provincial officials and non government organizations. The Grant implementation is on track of achieving the grant objectives and is assessed to be Satisfactory.

Overall progress from 01/22/2013 to 12/31/2016 with regard to Implementation of Grant Financed Activities:

Comment:

Significant progress in REDD Readiness preparation has been achieved including capacity building activities at various level; contribution to the review of National REDD Action Plan (NRAP); development of selective Provincial REDD Action Plan (PRAPs) as well as coordinating other bilateral supports to provide inputs into the Emission Reduction Program Document (ERPD) for the North Central region of Vietnam, the advanced version of which has become available and the Program will be presented to the donors Participants' Committee planned to be in December 2016. Progress has also been achieved under the large package including the SESA work, Socio-Economic Study for the ER Program Area, completion of the R-Package Assessment, Mid Term Review Report and consultation work. The two-stage approached SESA had been adopted with the first stage SESA being completed for the ER-Program area. Since most of the key tasks had satisfactorily been completed, the implementation of the grant is upgraded to Satisfactory from the status of MS in the last reporting period.

Grant follow-up and structure

Description and context of Grant:

The FCPF provides grant funding for the preparation for REDD+ and preparation of a Readiness Proposal including the development of supporting policies and systems, support for adopting national REDD+ strategies; development of reference emission levels (RELs); the designing of a measurement, reporting, and verification (MRV) systems; and setting up REDD+ national management arrangements, including improvements to existing environmental and social safeguards. FCPF is also supporting work on stakeholder consultations and engagement at different levels, including consultation work with forest dependent village communities, protected area Management Boards, State Forest Companies, District and Provincial officials and non-government organizations.

Expected follow up (if any): Follow up Bank project/loan/credit/grant

Comment on follow up:

Progress after June 2016 focused on; (i) the completion of the draft ERPD to initiate the review of the TAP, (ii) revision of the ERPD based on TAP's review report and make it ready for PC presentation; (iii) completion of the R-Package report to be ready for presentation in September 2016, and (iv) completion of the preparation for Additional Funding (AF) for REDD Readiness and signing of the AF's Grant Agreement.

End Date of Last Site Visit:

Restructuring of Grant:

N/A

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COMPLETION

Overall Assessments and Lessons Learned

Main lessons learned:

- #Interests and coordination roles of the leadership of all levels
- #Involvement of all stakeholders including government agencies, private sector, NGOs, CSOs, etc and especially local communities throughout consultation processes.

Overall outcome (and its Sustainability):

Comment:

- #- Capacity in REDD+ readiness is enhanced, especially in the NCC region to be ready for the ER-P implementation
- #- REDD+ readiness preparation in terms of capacity building, communication, MRV, safeguards, and legal frameworks was improved.

Bank Performance:

Comment:

- #Provision of technical supports usefully and timely
- #Provision of management guidance effectively and efficiently
- #Disbursement are always made in due course

Additional Assessment

Development / strengthening of institutions:

Comment:

- #Capacity of the local and central government agencies of Vietnam, local NGOs and CSOs are being strengthened.
- #Awareness raising in REDD+ of the private sector, local communities, especially ethnic group minorities in the NCC is improved

Mobilization of other resources:

Comment:

The project has been mobilizing other resources maximumly for REDD+ readiness and ER-P from international, foreign and domestic funded projects, NGOs, CSOs, and local communities.

Knowledge exchange:

Comment:

The knowledge on REDD+, especially safeguards issues has been exchanging among relevant projects/programs, governmental and non-governmental agencies through REDD+ network and local communities via consultation processes.

Client's policy / program implementation:

Comment:

Program implementation is in progress in line with the government policies.

Efficiency:

Comment:

Efficiency has been being improved as results from project implementation processes

Replicability:

Comment:

The approach on result-based payment is acknowledged and would be replicated in other areas.

Main recommendations to stakeholders:

- #The government should provide a clear guidance to approve the ER-PD.
- #The relevant government agencies and local communities need to understand and be familiar with the result-based

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approaches.

Main recommendations to Bank Management:

Need to have more technical supports especially on Safeguard Plans, Benefit Sharing Plans, Reversal Management Mechanisms, and ER title transfer ability from the FMT/WB

DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements Summary in USD

Date From	Date To	Planned Cumulative	Planned Period	Actual Cumulative	Actual Period
01/01/2013	06/30/2013	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/01/2013	12/31/2013	0.00	0.00	400,000.00	400,000.00
01/01/2014	06/30/2014	0.00	0.00	501,152.94	101,152.94
07/01/2014	12/31/2014	0.00	0.00	1,210,470.67	709,317.73
01/01/2015	06/30/2015	0.00	0.00	1,585,978.18	375,507.51
07/01/2015	12/31/2015	0.00	0.00	2,432,634.12	846,655.94
01/01/2016	06/30/2016	0.00	0.00	2,640,858.50	208,224.38
07/01/2016	12/31/2016	0.00	0.00	3,609,022.67	968,164.17
01/01/2017	06/30/2017	0.00	0.00	3,630,544.59	21,521.92

PROCUREMENT PLAN

None

PROCUREMENT ACTUAL

None