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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 | 9061 - GENDR |
| Grant Start Date / End Date | 01/22/2013 to 05/31/2016 |
| Original Grant Amount | 3,800,000.00 |
| Grant Amount | 3,800,000.00 |
| Outstanding Commitments | 0.00 |
| Cumulative Disbursements | 1,585,978.18 as of 06/30/2015 |
| Disbursed 07/01/2014 to 06/30/2015 | 1,084,825.24 |
| Donor | TF602001 - MULTIPLE DONORS |

This GRM report includes the following sections: Overview, Components, Outcome, Execution, Program(FCPFR), Disbursements.

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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 07/01/2014 to 06/30/2015 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:

Comment:

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 organisations. The Grant implementation is on track of achieving the grant objectives.

Overall progress from 07/01/2014 to 06/30/2015 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); Provincial REDD Action Plan (PRAPs) supported and providing inputs into the Emission Reduction Program Document (ERPD). Progress has also been achieved under the large package including the SESA work, Socio-Economic Study for the ER Program Area, R-Package Assessment, draft Mid Term Review Report and consultation work. . At the PC 19th meeting in May 2015, Vietnam's proposal for Additional Funding to continue support REDD Readiness preparation was endorsed by the PC.

Grant follow-up and structure

Description and context of Grant:

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

Comment on follow up:

Progress after June 2015 focused on; (i) the completion of the PRAPs in the ER Program area, some of which are supported by other donors such as USAIDs and JICA (coordination is needed to ensure the consistency in the approach/methodology and quality of the PRAPs; ii) contribution to the MARD to issue the technical guideline on PRAPs; iii) development of the ERPD; and iv) SESA work, Socio-Economic Study and additional consultation.

End Date of Last Site Visit:

Restructuring of Grant:

OUTCOME

Comments on outcome achieved from 07/01/2014 to 06/30/2015

No outcome indicators were set for this Grant.

Grant Outcome Indicators

No Outcome indicators are defined or used for this grant.

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COMPONENTS

There are no components defined for this trust fund / grant.

Comment on planned and actual Output

Comment on component implementation progress

EXECUTION

Bank project related to the grant

Project ID / Name: P124584 - Vietnam- FCPF REDD Readiness
Project Status: Lending
Global Focal Area: Climate change
Product Line: CN - Carbon Offset

Implementing agency and contact details

Agency: Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
Contact: Dr. Cuong Manh Pham
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PROGRAM

Program Specific Questions

1. Describe progress in how the Grant activities are being coordinated with other REDD+-related initiatives, including those funded by Describe progress in how the Grant activities are being coordinated with other REDD+-related initiatives, including those f

Activities supported under the Grant are well coordinated with those of other REDD+ activities supported by other donors: i) the Grant fills in the policy gaps such as SESA, State Forest Company involvement in REDD services; ii) activities under the Grant's support on development of the ERPD have attracted other donors to support the PRAPs in the ER program area to ensure the quality inputs into the ERPD.

2. Describe any important changes in the technical design or approach related to the Grant activities.

Additional activities have been added to support the development of the ERPD

3. Describe progress in addressing key capacity issues (implementation, technical, financial management, procurement) related to this Grant.

PMU team joined training/refresh courses on FM, procurement and M&E provided by the Bank. Post reviews have been conducted and recommendations have been provided to PMU for improvement of implementation.

4. Describe progress in addressing social and environmental issues (including safeguards) related to the Grant. Is the SESA conducted in accordance with the Common Approach?

SESA has been conducted in accordance with the Common Approach. Social and environmental issues have been identified, studied and recommended to be addressed as part of the ERPD development.

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5. Is the ESMF prepared in accordance with the Common Approach?

Yes.

6. Describe progress in stakeholder consultation, participation, disclosure of information, and the FGRM related to this Grant.

Stakeholder consultation has been conducted at various levels, from policy decision making level to community level on REDD+. Consultation workshops/activities on REDD+ Readiness package have been conducted and participants were able to voice their view on various aspects of readiness. An FGRM and benefit sharing mechanism are being developed for the ER Program.

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 |