Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

Readiness Assessment Framework: Setting the stage for R-Package Reviews

Thirty-first Meeting of the Participants Committee (PC31)
October 18-20, 2022
Session Objectives

• Describe key features of the Readiness Assessment Framework
• Explain the process of the R-Package review
Readiness Assessment: Milestones in FCPF Readiness and Carbon Fund processes

1. R-PP Assessment
2. MIDTERM Progress Report
3. R-Package Endorsement

- R-Package must be endorsed by the PC before an ER Program is submitted and an ERPA is signed

- R-PP Formulation
- Readiness Preparation
- Implementation

- Carbon Fund
- Emissions Reductions Program Idea Note (ER-PIN)
- Emissions Reductions Program Document (ERPd)
- Signature of Emission Reductions Payment Agreement (ERPA)
Readiness assessment serves multiple purposes

- Assess **progress** on readiness
- Demonstrate political **commitment**
- Receive **feedback** and **guidance**
- Display **transparency**
- Attract **funds** to scale up
The Readiness Assessment Framework is designed to measure *relative* progress

- Not an absolute standard for readiness
- Starting point and pace of progress varies by country
- Many aspects of readiness will remain ongoing
Countries report progress on same readiness components over time

**Four Readiness Components**

1. Readiness Organization and Consultation
2. REDD+ Strategy Preparation
3. Reference Level
4. Monitoring Systems (Forests, Safeguards)

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Diagram:

- R-PP
- MTR
- R-Package

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Images:

- People in a meeting room
- Drought-affected landscape
- Satellite imagery
For each subcomponent (9), the assessment framework provides

- Assessment criteria (34)
  - Core readiness activities
- Diagnostic questions (58)
  - Focus on desired outcome
- Guidance notes
Readiness Assessment Process

- Country-led Multi-stakeholder Self-assessment
- Readiness Package
- Independent Review (TAP)
- Delivery Partner Report
- Other input
- Participants Committee
REDD Countries compile the R-Package and report results of the self-assessment

- Summary of readiness preparation process
  - Including how issues identified at mid-term were addressed
- Report on the multi-stakeholder self-assessment
- Assessment results for each subcomponent
  - Synthesis of the overall achievement
  - Analysis of strengths and weaknesses
  - Actions going forward
- References to key products
  - REDD+ Strategy
  - REL/RL, MRV technical report
  - Environmental and Social Management Framework
  - Feedback and Grievance Redress Mechanism

- Delivery Partner reviews quality of outputs as part of grant implementation supervision
- Supporting documents compiled on a website
The Result of typical Multi-Stakeholder Readiness Self-Assessment
Not a good way to summarize progress!
A Technical Advisory Panel (TAP)

- Performs a desk review
- Provides targeted feedback
- Highlights strengths and weaknesses
- Proposes actions going forward

➢ The role of the TAP is not to second-guess the countries’ comprehensive multi-stakeholder self-assessment.

➢ Rather focus on whether a due process and approach was followed to perform the self-assessment and provide constructive feedback.
PC31 Action: Resolution sought on Readiness Package Endorsement

• Review, discuss and recognize countries’ progress
  – **Bhutan, Colombia** and **Nigeria**
  – Consider input from TAP, World Bank grant reporting and other input
• Provide feedback
  – Strengths and weaknesses
• Encourage actions going forward
• The resolution recognizes the readiness progress achieved
  – This constitutes ‘endorsement’ as per FCPF Charter
• After the plenary, a facilitated contact group
  – Reviews a draft resolution and collates key feedback from plenary
Role of contact groups

• Prepare draft resolutions and report back to the plenary for further consideration and adoption (Section 13.01, Rules of Procedure)

• Discuss issues raised during the plenary which will be reflected in the Co-Chairs’ summary.

Note: Only the issues raised during the plenary can be reflected. No new issues can be raised during the contact group discussion.
Resolutions expected at PC31

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Balanced composition

• Contact group shall represent a balanced composition of interested financial contributors (i.e. Donor Participants and the Carbon Fund Participants), REDD+ Country Participants, and the observer groups as described in section 11.7 of the Charter (Section 13.02, Rules of Procedure).
Thank you