

Independent Forest Sector Review

Progress report To Joint Coordinating Committee

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A. Progress on fact-finding phase

All the fact-finding workshops have now been completed.

a) The **livelihoods workshop** took place on 3rd March. This was a more complete presentation representing finished work – rather than the “work in progress” which had been presented at previous workshops. As a result, there was relatively little reaction during and after the presentation. However, there was recognition of the importance of the forestry-livelihoods relationship and an appreciation of the difficulty of describing the wide and diverse nature of these relationships throughout the country.

b) The **economics workshop**, held in the afternoon of 3rd March, again represented “work in progress” and produced more heated reaction during and after the presentation. Unfortunately, Marco who had done the analysis was unavailable to be present. The reaction was of different types:

- a) ethical unhappiness at putting commercial values on a forest,
- b) strategic unhappiness at the implications of the analysis related to either:
 - i. “too high a value means more logging” or
 - ii. “too low a value means not enough protection”

There were also more practical concerns:

- c) about the value of undertaking such an analysis at such a very general and crude level, and
- d) the wide range of services and indeed products which had not been quantified.

Finally, an overall fear was expressed that, despite the warnings and explanations, the conclusions and data would become accepted and used without reference back to the original assumptions.

My opinion still remains that these dangers have to be set against the dangers of not capturing the nature of forestry and its economics in a form that enables comparison and analysis.

B. Format of final product

Main report: This consists of four sections:

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| Executive summary | (10 pages) |
| I. Introduction and background | (10 pages) |
| II. Current situation | (90 pages) |
| III. Scenarios | (50 pages) |
| IV. Conclusions and implications | (40 pages) |
| Total | (approx 200 pages) |

The Working Papers should be treated as appendices to the main report.

Working Paper Series:

| No | Title | Author | Pages | Total |
|----|---|-------------|-------|-------|
| 1 | Ecology | David | 30 | 30 |
| 2 | PA Management | David | 25 | 55 |
| 3 | Forest cover and quality | Frank | 20 | 75 |
| 4 | Forest management | Frank | 30 | 105 |
| 5 | Demand and use of forest products | Marco/Frank | 20 | 125 |
| 6 | Economic analysis of direct use | Marco | 60 | 185 |
| 7 | Overview of Livelihoods | Cate | 50 | 235 |
| 8 | Livelihoods vignettes | Jim | 40 | 275 |
| 9 | Legal and political context | Mary | 40 | 315 |
| 10 | Formal and informal framework | Mary | 50 | 365 |
| 11 | Players: (A) Government | Mary | 70 | 435 |
| 12 | Players: (B) I ENGOs, Private sector, CSOs and Donors | Mary | 35 | 470 |
| 13 | Policy, regulation and incentives, governance | Mary/Marco | 40 | 510 |
| 14 | Regulatory mechanisms | Frank/Mary | 15 | 525 |
| | | | | |
| 15 | Workshop Presentations: Power-points and reports | Dermot | 100 | |
| 16 | Bibliography and references | Dermot | 22 | |
| 17 | Review documentation: Scoping reports, TORs, etc | Dermot | 100 | |

Documents will be produced and available in the following formats:

- All text documents are in Microsoft WORD format.
- The economic model has been constructed using Microsoft EXCEL format
- Maps have been prepared using ArcView but will be saved in JPEG format
- Presentations have been prepared using Microsoft POWERPOINT

C. Deadlines for report completion

A presentation in Powerpoint of the "executive summary" is being prepared for use during the scenario presentation workshops.

The main report should be finished on Monday 15th March and the Working Papers available by Monday 22nd March.

D. Schedule for final scenario presentations

See attached workshop schedule

E. SFMP review

Following discussions with 2 FSC registered companies, a team consisting of Dr Alexander Hinrichs and Dr Catherine MacKenzie, were proposed by GFA_Terra Systems and recommended to the WGNRM. These consultants were originally available from the 8th March for 20 days, but are not now available again until mid-June 2004.

Annex 1 Schedule to completion of review

Independent Forest Sector Review

(Revised 1st March 2004 with the Forest Review Team Leader)

Fact-finding workshops (open invitation)

Livelihoods workshop 3rd March
 Economics workshop 3rd March
 At Hotel Cambodiana (whole day and same format as last workshops)

Forest RGC/Donor Coordination Committee Meetings 12th March
 Preliminary presentation of draft reports (14.30- 16.30 pm)

Draft reports

a) Fact-finding report (draft) 12th March
 b) Scenario report (draft) 12th March

Presentation of scenarios (According to invitation list)

(a) Departmental Technical workshops 16th March
 (b) Civil society presentation/clarifications (open list) 17th March
 (c) Donor workshop presentation/clarification 18th March
 (d) Ministerial presentation 19th March
 At Hotel Cambodiana (1/2 day each)

Forest RGC/Donor Coordination Committee Meetings 19th March
 Stock taking/way forward (14.30- 16.30 pm)

(e) Presentation for Head of Donor Agencies 22nd March
 At Danida Office (10.30 -12.00)

Final report (English) 23rd March

Forest RGC/Donor Coordination Committee Meetings 2nd April
 Final discussion on the Final Report with DS (14.30- 16.30 pm)

Final report (Khmer language version) 9th April

Tentative Schedule (post report)

Presentation for Political Decision Makers 21st April

Presentation for Embassies in Cambodia 22nd April

Forest RGC/Donor Coordination Committee Meetings 23rd April
 Concluding meeting and future process (14.30- 16.30 pm)