

KEY ISSUES AND CONCERNS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES IN REDD+ AND FCPF

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CONTEXT

- ▶ The importance of forest to indigenous peoples
- ▶ The implications of REDD+ to indigenous peoples in relation to our rights, welfare and interest
- ▶ The sustained engagement of indigenous peoples that contributed to the inclusion of safeguards in the REDD+ Cancun Agreement

KEY ISSUES: RIGHTS- BASED REDD+

- ▶ Recognition of indigenous peoples (called in different names) as rights-holders
- ▶ Recognition of the right to the land, territories and resource of indigenous peoples
- ▶ Recognition the multiple values of forest beyond carbon
- ▶ Protection of the traditional/sustainable livelihoods of indigenous peoples
- ▶ Acknowledgement and recognition of the traditional knowledge and forest resource management systems of indigenous peoples especially the role and contribution of IP women

KEY ISSUES

- ▶ Equitable benefits for indigenous peoples
- ▶ Livelihood support and enhancement
- ▶ Institutional and capacity building
- ▶ Full and effective participation of indigenous peoples in all stages of REDD+
- ▶ Protection of traditional forests and enhancement of biodiversity

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CANCUN AGREEMENT

- ▶ Implementation of Cancun Agreement
 - ▶ Full and effective participation of IPs in the development and implementation of the national REDD+ Strategy and all stages of REDD+
 - ▶ **Thorough, transparent and inclusive conduct of information dissemination and consultations and the conduct of Free Prior and Informed Consent**
 - ▶ Representation in relevant bodies and mechanisms relating to REDD+ at local, sub-national, national, regional and global levels
 - ▶ Ensuring the equal participation of indigenous women and men

RESPECT FOR RIGHTS AND TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE

Development of measures and actions for forest conservation-Identification of the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation in relation to IP livelihood activities and resource management systems-

Policy formulation and review in relation to the legal recognition of IPs as rights holders, land tenure, carbon rights, land-use

RESPECT FOR RIGHTS AND TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE

Determination of terms for benefit sharing and entitlements of indigenous peoples including on the multiple values of forest

Development of programmes for livelihood support and for poverty alleviation – delivery of appropriate social services

Recognition of the contributions and role of IP women in enhancing traditional knowledge and sustainable resource management- ensuring their effective participation and inclusion of their views, rights and perspective

FCPF

- ▶ Implementation of the joint stakeholders guidelines (VWB IP Policy Implementation)
 - ▶ Conduct of information dissemination
 - ▶ Conduct of consultations at all levels in good faith and fully take into account the rights, views, perspective and recommendations of indigenous peoples
 - ▶ Facilitation of engagement of indigenous peoples and their representation in relevant bodies relating to REDD+ at all levels
 - ▶ Establishment of mechanisms for indigenous peoples engagements with the VWB at different levels
 - ▶ Mechanisms for coordination with UNREDD Programme at the national and regional levels

FCPF

- ▶ Preparation on national strategy Plan and R- Package
 - Support to policy development for to the recognition of IP rights
 - facilitation of enabling environment for the exercise of the rights of indigenous peoples and taking action in relation to human rights violations
- Support to institutional building for self-governance and capacity building

FCPF

- ▶ Ensuring equitable terms of benefits
- ▶ Ensuring implementation of measures on good governance
- ▶ Supporting initiatives of indigenous peoples in developing indicators and tools in relation to the implementation of safeguards