



Korea Forest  
Service

## **PROGRESS REPORT**

First Quarterly Report (Q1Y4)  
January to April 2018

**Korea-Cambodia REDD+ Joint Project**

**Implementing Agency:  
Forestry Administration**

**Phnom Penh, Cambodia  
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## **I. Introduction**

The Forest Administration (FA) signed a MOU with Korea Forest Service (KFS) on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2014 to implement the project namely Korea-Cambodia Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+) Joint Project (KCRP). The project is implementing within 4 years (2015-2018) which covers an area of 70,042 hectares in Kampong Thom province. The FA is a project implementation agency with financial support from the KFS, the Wildlife Works Carbon (WWC) is a project carbon developer. The project aims to contribute to the long-term greenhouse gas emission reduction from forestry sector and enhances livelihood of targeted forest-dependent community in the project area through the implementation REDD+ program. The project seeks to certify under VCS and CCBA standard for issuing its REDD+ verified credits.

### **Report Timeframe**

This is a quarterly report (01 January – 31 March 2017), the report was consolidated from individual project specialist's reports and field project semi-reports. The project specialists' reports are available up on request.

## **II. Results against project specific objectives**

*Objective1: Obtain forest carbon credits from the Korea-Cambodia Joint REDD+ implementation. Through the project implementation process, the project aims to bring REDD+ credits to the volunteer carbon market and it is subjected to be certified under CCBA and VCS standard.*

### **VCS&CCB PDD Validation**

The second round of responding had been submitted to SCS on 15 March 2018, the SCS confirmed PMU and WWC that they might take two weeks to review toward closing the validation. Within a set of responding, it encompassed of (1) update PD-v3.2, (2) findings worksheet with responding, (3) updated forest carbon model, (4) update non-permeance risk tool, (5) updated market leakage tool, (6) FREL worksheet that now replaced the NER model, and shows the calculation of project crediting from the Cambodian national FREL, and (7) confirmation e-mail from VSC on providing guidance on methodology requirements when using jurisdiction baseline. It is expected that the Tumring REDD+ validation to be closed by last of this March 201 ([Attached I: A set of responding had been submitted to SCS](#)). Currently, the deliverable #6 and d #7 under the FA and WWC contract have not been released unless SCS confirms the validation is officially closed which will be equipped with validation report to be posted on VCS' webpage, and WWC will officially submit the final Tumring REDD+ PDD to PMU as an evident for financial clearance.

*Objective2: Increase livelihood of forest dwellers within target Korea-Cambodia Joint REDD+ implementation site. The project will improve livelihood of forest depended communities who are living inside and adjacent the REDD+ project site.*

### **Forest Law Enforcement and Forest Protection**

The Tumring REDD+ Project provides regularly support to the forest law enforcement unit (FIU), and community forestry groups to conduct forest law enforcement and forest protection activities. Both CF groups and the FIU regularly submit enforcement report to the PMU against the payment. As always, the PMU summary the results as an outcome from

the forest law enforcement activities from community forest patrol groups and FIU in the table below.

*Table 1: Results of the implementation of forest law enforcement by the FIU and CF groups*

<b>Month</b>	<b>Physical result of the forest law enforcement (FIU &amp; CF)</b>
Jan 2018	confiscated 01 handed-tractor by O Kranhoung CF confiscated 02 m <sup>3</sup> of logged round wood by O Kranhoung CF
Feb 2018	confiscated 01 m <sup>3</sup> of saw wood
March 2018	confiscated 03 chainsaws

\* Note: all the detail illegal confiscated tools/materials were recorded in the project database system for the purpose of reporting the results of the project implementation to donor, government and project validator/verifier.

### **Tumring REDD+ Livelihood Program Development**

As part of the Tumring REDD+ Community Livelihood Idea Note-2017, the PMU facilitated several activities aimed to meet the key milestones set in improving livelihood of local community participated in the implementation of Tumring REDD+ project.

#### **Community Saving Groups**

The Tumring-REDD+ Project provided capital and capacity Kbal Dontey Community Forestry on the establishment of Community Saving Group which aims to address community financing gap to support their daily business and avoided deforestation and forest degradation from their business footprint. As part of the support, Tumring REDD+ Provide, deposited 860040 Riels (USD 2132) and 15 families borrowed from the group with 2 per cent interest rate. By the late of this quarter, the community saving group earned in net budget of 180000 Riel (USD 45). Most of borrower were community member, the moneys were used to buy fertilizer to improve degraded agricultural land for cassava crop plantation and cashew tree.

#### **Solar System Charging Center for Home Battery**

The SCCHB is operating under the management of Scheat CF, Por Ro village. Since November 2017, the SCCHB charged 321 batteries and earned 42,200 Rile (USD 110), the Community Assistance of the PMU closely working with CMFCs to disseminate the important of using SCCHB capital and link it to forest conservation and reduce deforestation and forest degradation.

#### **Improve degraded agricultural land**

In this quarter, the PMU finalized the budget and workplan to implement the activities in improving degraded agricultural land in the selected community forestry with closely partnership with the Kampong Thom Agricultural Department. The PMU is waiting for approval the annual budget plan from the PBC members before preceding to sign partnership agreement between PMU and the Kampong Thom Agricultural Department.

#### **Measuring agricultural land inholding inside community forestry area**

In this quarter, the PMU pending the activity to measure agricultural land inholding inside community forestry as the PMU is verifying data collected in the last quarter. In the second quarter of 2018, the PMU will work closely with the CFMCs and local authority to continues this activity within three CFs (O' Kranhoung, Datey and O' Kranhoung).

#### **Support the development free-deforestation value chain of the selected agriculture commodities**

The PMU has finalized work plan and budget plan with AFD, the plan aims to address issue of agricultural commodities link to deforestation within Tumring REDD+ Project area. The PMU pending the implementation of the plan while waiting for the approval the project annual work plan from the PBC members.

*Objective 3: enhance capacity of key different stakeholders to effective REDD+ implementation. The project will improve capacity of targeted communities and government stakeholders*

### **Building capacity of Community Forest Management Committee (CFMCs)**

As part of the actions to strengthen knowledge and capacity of the participated community forestry in implementing Tumring REDD+ Project. The Community Assistance of the PMU conducted CFMC meetings in 14 CFs, participated by 140 CFMCs. The meeting focused on the review of the community forest-based forest law enforcement activities, identified new emerge issues, and sought for solution-based consensus principle from CFMCs to address the issue. The Community Assistance collected raw data on forest and wildlife enforcement from each of CFMCs and provided an update on the progress of the Tumring-REDD+ Project implementation.

Table 2: List of CFs and CFMCs visited by the Community Assistance of the PMU

N.o	Community Forestry Name	Village & commune	Date	Number of CFMCF attend
1	O' Kranhak	Tboung Toeuk village, Mean Rith	26 Mar 2018	10
2	Tatey	Kanti village, Mean Rith	26 Mar 2018	7
3	Kbal Dontey	Beung village, Mean Rith	26 Mar 2018	15
4	O' Kranhoung	Choam Svay village, Mean Righ	27 Mar 2018	8
5	O' Dascor	Sam Oang village, Mean Rith	27 Mar 2018	11
6	Prey Hongchamtit	Trapeang Tralach village, Mean Rith	28 Mar 2018	12
7	Lbos Sral	Rang Khai village, Mean Rith	28 Mar 2018	12
8	O' bosleav	Run The village, Tumring	28 Mar 2018	8
9	Srae Pring	Sre Pring village, Sochet	29 Mar 2018	12
10	Rumchek	Rum Chek village, Sochet	29 Mar 2018	5
11	Choam Smach	Tum Or village, Tumring	30 Mar 2018	11
12	O' Thmor	Rorneam village, Tumring	30 Mar 2018	10
13	Neak Tala	Sro Laosroang village, Tumring	30 Mar 2018	6
14	Sochet	Sochet Commune	29 Mar 2018	13
	<b>Total</b>			<b>140</b>

### **III. Project Planning and Budgeting**

The PMU developed Budget and Work-plan for Y4-2018 and Q1/Y4 (Jan-Mar 2018) which align with the four-year work programs of the project. The Q1/Y4 work plan is attached. (Annex IV)

