



Korea Forest  
Service

## **PROGRESS REPORT**

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly Report (Q3Y4)  
July-September 2022

**Korea-Cambodia REDD+ Joint Project**

**Implementing Agency:  
Forestry Administration**

**Phnom Penh, Cambodia  
December 2022**

## INTRODUCTION

### Project Background

On 10<sup>th</sup> December 2014, the Forestry Administration (FA) of the Cambodia's Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries and the Korea Forest Service (KFS) started to implement a project named Korea-Cambodia Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+) Joint Project (KCRP) or (hereinafter referred to as Tumring REDD+ Project). This project is implemented in Kampong Thom province covering an area of 67,791.17 hectares and in the designated Project Accounting Area comprised of 41,195.00 hectares.

The Tumring REDD+ Project aims to contribute to the long-term greenhouse gas emission reduction from forestry sector and to enhance the livelihood of targeted forest-dependent communities in the project area. Specifically, the project seeks to: (1) generate Verified Carbon Units (VCUs); (2) improve livelihood of targeted community; (3) enhance capacity of different key stakeholders for effective REDD+ implementation; and (4) support the Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC) on REDD+ policy formulation.

KFS provides financial support while FA is the designated implementing agency. A certification under the Verified Carbon Standard (VCS) and CCB standard was sought by the project for its REDD+ VCUs. Over 30 years (2016-2046) of the project implementation, Tumring REDD+ Project (TRP) expects to achieve an emission reduction (NERs) of 11,559,975 tCO<sub>2</sub>e for 30-years project life. As a result, the project generated a net emission reduction of 645,410 tons CO<sub>2</sub>e over the 1<sup>st</sup> monitoring period from January 2015 to December 2019.

For effective operation of the TRP, the FA established the Project Management Unit (PMU) located inside FA's Office in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. The PMU is formulated to ensure effective implementation of the Project. The PMU is working with the below partners to ensure the project effective produce quality results and outcomes.

Table 1: The Tumring REDD+ Project's Partners

Roles and Responsibility	
The Wildlife Work Carbon (WWC) <a href="https://www.wildlifeworks.com/">https://www.wildlifeworks.com/</a>	a project carbon developer, has assisted the FA in developing the Tumring REDD+ PDD, providing technical trainings, and in facilitating the project's validation, verification, and registration
Everland LLP (EL) <a href="http://elerlandmarketing.com/">http://elerlandmarketing.com/</a>	assist project in selling the emission reduction (ER) at the voluntary carbon market and provide regular update about the sale of ER.
The Kampong Thom Provincial Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (KT-PDAFF)	the project's technical partner that provides support to community forestry (CF) groups in enhancing their degraded agricultural land and in promoting agricultural productivity
The Actions for Development (AFD) <a href="http://www.afd-cambodia.org/">http://www.afd-cambodia.org/</a>	a registered national NGO, provides technical assistance, facilitates the establishment of an agricultural cooperative, and supports the project's operational plan and implementation that include capacity building and promoting agricultural trade market information toward

	freed deforestation.
The Kampong Thom Forestry Administration Cantonment and the Local FA Field Officer (Local FA)	enable and implement forest law enforcement and legalization of CF groups and other forest uses inside the project area.
The Kampong Thom Land Management Urbanization and Construction Department (KT-LMUCD)	the provincial department works as a part with the project to facilitate process in gaining knowledge on forest land management and support the process of forest land registration as state land.
The local authority and the established 14 CF groups	spearhead the implementation of the project activities toward reducing deforestation and forest degradation in the project area and provide coordination of support to the project in implementing activities in their territories.

## Project Implementation Phases

**Phase I** was from 2015 to 2018. During this phase, the Project was successfully validated and verification in July 2019 ( <https://registry.verra.org/app/search/VCS> ) by an independent, third party, the SCS Global Services. The Project provided support to the 14 CF groups. FA local officers (FIU) provided capacity building, increased awareness of local stakeholders, and improved livelihood of the participating communities by promoting agricultural trade, improving degraded agricultural lands, and enhancing agricultural productivities.

**Phase II** is from 2019 to 2021. To prepare for this phase, FA signed the amended Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with KFS in December 2018 to extend the period of project implementation. During this phase, the project aims to register the Project to VCS and CCB and conduct MRV to generate VCUs. To achieve these objectives, the Project will: (1) facilitate project verification, (2) improve local livelihood, (3) build capacity and generate knowledge to inform the national government and the public, and (4) agree on the use of VCUs to sale on the voluntary market and carbon credit to be produced in the future will be used to meet Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) of both countries (Cambodia and Republic of Korea). According to the 5<sup>th</sup> PBC meeting, the KSF agreed to extend one-year funding support for 2022. The TRP is working with its partners to ensure that the project is able to sell the VCUs to get more funding to support the full operation and extended projects activities at large scale.

**Phase III:** Full TRP Implementation (from December 2021- mid-2023)- with funding from the spot-sale of TRP’s verified credits and co-funding from the KFS. The PMU is working with PBC members to get approval on budget plan and work plan is financing by the KFS, while, both parties (FA and KFS) agreed to establish “Tumring REDD+ Trust Fund Board Committee (TRTF-BC) “, the TRTF-BC will be mandated and equipped with its clear TORs through the letter of decision to be officially issued by the FA. The TRTF-BC will have key roles and responsibilities to manage the Tumring REDD+ Trust Fund (net incomes from the sale of the 1<sup>st</sup> TRP’s VCUs). The PMU is the key unit of the project in direct implementation of the funds and tasked to report to the PBC annually and the TRTF-BC in accordance with the approve work plan and budget plan. According the forest land cover analysis in the project area and project accounting area, the PMU and the technical support from WWC decided to conduct the 2<sup>nd</sup> TRP project verification in the early or mid-2023.

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS BASED ON THE PROJECT’S SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

**Objective1: Obtain Forest carbon credits from the Korea-Cambodia Joint REDD+ project implementation (Tumring REDD+ Project- TRP)**

**Objective2: Improve the livelihood of the forest dwellers, enforce the Forest Law, and protect the forest within the target Tumring REDD+ Project Area (Strategy#2)**

to contribute to the implementation of Strategy#2 of the 30-Year Work Plan and detail four-year detail program financial plan and work plan, the Project is supporting 14 community forestry (CF) groups, forest law enforcement unit of the local FA (FIU), and Sandan Forest Enforcement Team to conduct regular forest patrol, crack-down incidental cases, and collect biodiversity raw data. In this quarter, the enforcement teams achieved the following results:

**2.1 Forest Law Enforcement Unit (FIU)**

The group of FIUs joint collaboration and conducted forest patrol and in all project targeted areas, and Hydrological Forest Conservation Zone, each FIU lead by one local FA with supporting from the field armed forces. In total the project is supporting four FIUs, in this quarter, the four FIUs confiscated illegal tools/equipment as below:

Table 2: Results of the Forest Law enforcement in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2022

Month	Physical result of the CFs Forest law enforcement
July 2022	Confiscated - 6 chainsaws - 2 hand-tractor - 2 motorbikes - 5 parcel of forest land clearance - 7.436 cubic meters of log
August 2022	Confiscated - 20 Chainsaws - 1 motorbike - 1 hand-tractor - 3 parcel of illegal forest land clearance - 9.953 cubic meters of log - 1 axe
September 2022	Confiscated - 15 Chainsaws - 4 hand-tractors - 1 motorbike - 1 hand-tractor - 12 parcels of illegal forest land clearance - 46 pieces of log equal to 4,139 cubic meters

\* Note: Details on illegal/confiscated tools and woods were recorded in the Project database system to report the results of the project implementation to donor, government, and project validator/verifier.

**2.2 Community Forestry Patrol Teams**

Aside from the FIU's implementation on forest law enforcement, the 14 CF patrol teams regularly conduct forest patrolling activities inside their designated CF areas. During this 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter (July-Sep 2022), the CFMCs of the 14 CF groups conducted 139 patrol times, with participation from 940 members (51 women).

Table 3: Number of CFMC patrol per quarter 1 (July-Sep 2022)

No	Community Forestry Name	July			Aug			Sep		
		# of patrols	CFMC	F	#of patrols	CFMC	F	# of Patrols	CFMC	F
1	O' Kranhak	1	5	0	5	23	3	4	26	3

2	Tatey	1	6	0	7	50	2	5	30	0
3	Kbal Dauntey	2	15	0	2	16	0	3	19	0
4	O' Kranhoung	3	14	0	4	31	5	5	28	7
5	O' Dasco	3	18	3	3	26	0	3	24	4
6	Prey Hongchamtit	1	7	0	3	16	0	5	35	3
7	Lbos Sral	2	13	0	2	13	0	3	27	2
8	O' bosleav	4	19	0	3	15	0	2	11	0
9	Sre Pring	2	14	3	2	18	3	3	37	5
10	Rum Chek	4	25	0	6	51	0	3	18	0
11	Choam Smarch	5	15	0	4	27	0	4	21	0
12	O' Thmor	3	19	0	4	23	0	3	17	0
13	Neak Tala	3	16	0	3	19	0	2	11	0
14	Sochet	3	16	0	4	27	3	5	79	5
	<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>29</b>

Table 4: Illegal tools/materials confiscated by CF patrol groups (July-Sep 2022)

Month	Physical result of the CFs Forest law enforcement
July 2022	Confiscated - 2 motorbikes
August 2022	Confiscated - 1 hand-tractor - 2 motorbikes - 1 chainsaw - removes 16 snares - 3. cubic meters of log
Sep 2022	Confiscated - 46 snares - 2 hand-tractors - 3 cubic meters of log

**2.4 Community Based Resin Enterprise:** The PMU conducted a meeting with community based-resin enterprise members and management committee, the meeting was conducted to understand the situation of the enterprise on progress and challenges, find out constraint and provide advice to the community on the planning and link to the market. By Sep, the community has 2147 in stock. The community resin group requested support from the project on building the Resin storehouse and provide support more containers. The community-based resin enterprise has made some progress as highlighted in the table below.

Table 5: Table on resin enterprise monitoring plan

Date	Purchase (kg)	Sell-out (Kg)	Balance in Stock
Q1-2022	1900		
Q1-2022			41
Q2-2022	1566		
Q2-2022			1607
Q3-2022	540		
Q3-2022			2147

\* 1 USD = 4000 Riels (Price ranging from 1300 to 1500 riels per Kg)

**2.5. Community Saving Group**, the project is supporting Kbal Duntey saving group, by Sep 2022, the saving group generated inter of 862.5 USD, the saving is operating their financial transection very well.

No.	Name of Saving group	By date	A. Cash In hand	B. Cash in Bank	C. Loan	D. Interest Earned	Total (A+B+C+D)
1	Kbal Dauntey	28-Sep-22	916.25	460	1650	862.5	3888.75

**Objective 3: Enhance the capacity of the different key stakeholders for effective REDD+ implementation and increase stakeholder participation in reducing deforestation and forest degradation in the TRP Area (Strategy #4)**

**3.1.** The REDD+ Specialist and Community Facilitator of the PMU conducted quarterly meetings with all 14 CF Management Committees (CFMCs). 42 times of the meeting were conducted and in total, there were 378 participants (48 of them were women) in the meetings. The meetings focused on the discussion of newly emerged challenges associated with illegal activities that happened and are happening inside the CF areas, submission to the PMU the forest patrol report by each of the CFMC, and approval of the CF work plan for implementation in the next quarter.

Table6 : Number of meetings between PMU and CFMC (July-Sep) 2022

No	Community Forestry Name	Village & commune	Date	CFMC	Women
1	Choam Smarch	Tum Or village, Tumring	21/07/2022	8	1
2	O' bosleav	Run The village, Tumring	23/07/2022	9	0
3	O' Thmor	Rorneam village, Tumring	22/07/2022	5	0
4	Neak Tala	SroLaosroang village, Tumring	22/07/2022	9	0
5	Lbos Sral	Rang Khai village, Mean Rith	23/07/2022	10	2
6	Prey Hongchamtit	Trapeang Tralach village, Mean Rith	23/07/2022	10	0
7	O' Dasco CF	Sam Oang village, Mean Rith	24/07/2022	7	0
8	Sre Pring	Sre Pring village, Sochet	21/07/2022	11	0
9	Rum Chek	Rum Chek village, Sochet	22/07/2022	11	0
10	Sochet	Porong village, Sochet Commune	21/07/2022	11	0
11	O' Kranhoung	Choam Svay village, Mean Righ	24/07/2022	10	2
12	O' Kranhak	Tboung Toeuk village, Mean Rith	24/07/2022	9	1
13	Tatey	Kanti village, Mean Rith	25/07/2022	9	1
14	Kbal Dauntey	Beung village, Mean Rith	25/07/2022	12	9
15	Choam Smarch	Tum Or village, Tumring	31/08/2022	9	1
16	O' bosleav	Run The village, Tumring	30/08/2022	9	0
17	O' Thmor	Rorneam village, Tumring	31/08/2022	7	0
18	Neak Tala	SroLaosroang village, Tumring	31/08/2022	7	0
19	Lbos Sral	Rang Khai village, Mean Rith	30/08/2022	10	1
20	Prey Hongchamtit	Trapeang Tralach village, Mean Rith	30/08/2022	9	0
21	O' Dasco CF	Sam Oang village, Mean Rith	31/08/2022	13	2
22	Sre Pring	Sre Pring village, Sochet	30/08/2022	11	0
23	Rum Chek	Rum Chek village, Sochet	30/08/2022	9	0
24	Sochet	Porong village, Sochet Commune	30/08/2022	11	1

25	O' Kranhoung	Choam Svay village, Mean Righ	31/08/2022	10	2
26	O' Kranhak	Tboung Toeuk village, Mean Rith	31/08/2022	8	1
27	Tatey	Kanti village, Mean Rith	31/08/2022	7	2
28	Kbal Dauntey	Beung village, Mean Rith	30/08/2022	9	1
29	Choam Smarch	Tum Or village, Tumring	29/09/2022	6	0
30	O' bosleav	Run The village, Tumring	29/09/2022	7	0
31	O' Thmor	Rorneam village, Tumring	29/09/2022	4	0
32	Neak Tala	SroLaosroang village, Tumring	29/09/2022	15	0
33	Lbos Sral	Rang Khai village, Mean Rith	29/09/2022	9	4
34	Prey Hongchamtit	Trapeang Tralach village, Mean Rith	29/09/2022	4	0
35	O' Dasco CF	Sam Oang village, Mean Rith	30/09/2022	9	2
36	Sre Pring	Sre Pring village, Sochet	30/09/2022	6	0
37	Rum Chek	Rum Chek village, Sochet	30/09/2022	12	2
38	Sochet	Porong village, Sochet Commune	30/09/2022	8	2
39	O' Kranhoung	Choam Svay village, Mean Righ	28/09/2022	9	1
40	O' Kranhak	Tboung Toeuk village, Mean Rith	28/09/2022	7	0
41	Tatey	Kanti village, Mean Rith	28/09/2022	6	0
42	Kbal Dauntey	Beung village, Mean Rith	28/09/2022	12	10
<b>Total</b>				<b>378</b>	<b>48</b>

**3.2 Conduct Dissemination workshop on the concept and legal document related with the establishment of the two new community forestry**, the PMU and the Office of Community Forestry of FA in closed collaboration with local authority, local community and local FA conducted a dissemination village workshop on the concept of community forestry and step in establishing community forestry. The TRP believes that forest area that manage by the local community is more effective protected, thus the project facilitates with local community to establish CF by converting HCF to community managed area. In order to establish CF, it is required to follow the step provided in the CF sub-decree. At the first step,

- the project conducted two dissemination village workshops on (1) benefit of establishing CF, (2) Concept and step in establishing CF, and (3) develop requested latter and collected village members and seek for their consent.

Table 7: Stakeholder participated in the dissemination village workshop

Villages	Description	Pax
<b>Tropang Pdao Village</b>	Commune Council	1
	Local FA Triage	1
	Village chief	1
	Villagers (11 women)	60
<b>Kampob Ambel Village</b>	Commune Council	1
	Local FA Triage	1
	Village chief	1
	Villagers (24 women)	81
	National FA Officers	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>149</b>

### 3.4. Conduct Community Forestry management committee election and develop legal document in establishing CF

Table 8: Stakeholder participated in the community forestry management committee election

Villages	Description	Pax
Tropang Pdao Village	Commune Council	1
	Local FA Triage	1
	Village chief	3
	Villagers (23 women)	91
Kampob Ambel Village	Commune Council	1
	Local FA Triage	1
	Village chief	3
	Villagers (29 women)	89
	National FA Officers	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>192</b>

Below is the elected CFMC committee for the two villages, and these committee were officially endorsed by the commune council. These two new CFs's official documents are being submitted to national Forestry Administration and Minister of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) for official approval through the issue of Community Forestry Prakas.

Elected CF Management Committee of Trapang Pdao Community Forestry			
Commune Decision #: 0062022			
No	Name	Sex	Position
1	Soy Pheng	M	Chief
2	Eun Orm	M	Vice Chief
3	Kom Prech	M	Vice Chief
4	Ri Na	F	Secretary
5	Seun San	M	Accountant
6	Nheak Lihorn	M	Member
7	Trin Sreymum	F	Member
8	Nhean Narin	F	Member
9	Tuy Chom	M	Member

Elected CF Management Committee of Trapang Pdao CF				
Commune Decision #: 0052022				
No	Name	Sex	Position	Contact
1	UI Rina	M	Chief	
2	Sok Khon	M	Vice Chief	
3	Sear Pheang	M	Vice Chief	
4	Chhan Chhay	M	Secretary	
5	Sorn Khom	M	Accountant	81381159
6	Arn Khung	M	Member	
7	Cheav Kong	M	Member	
8	Long Ratha	M	Member	
9	Chay Nheb	M	Member	
10	Phal Earm	F	Member	966868376
11	Nhem Tanglay	F	Member	86497658



## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The project is implementing for three years (2019 to 2021) and was agreed to extended to December 2022. The PMU received approval from KFS on the Work Plan and budget for 2019-2021 as well as the approval for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Work Plan and Budget (2022). Annex II: Presents Budget Expenditure for Q3 (July-Sep 2022).

### **ANNEXES**

Annex I: Budget Expenditure for Q3 (July-Sep 2022) and Work Plan  
Annex II: Bank Statement by 31 Aug 20222  
Annex III: Photos

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