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1. Practice area : Environment & Energy

2. Mission period (incl. of travel days)

From : 19-22 May 2015

3. Type of mission : Attendance First National Consultation on Cambodia's National REDD+ Strategy

4. Clients:

FCPF, REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat, Forest Administration, Ministry of Environment

5. Purpose of mission:

- Provision of technical advice for the consultation

6. Documents, materials, resources

7. Mission members:

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8. Costs:

UNDP/UN-REDD Global Budget

9. Brief summary of the mission:

The Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC) is developing its National REDD+ Strategy (NRS) that will guide the implementation of REDD+ activities under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The NRS development process is being supported by UNDP, as delivery partner for the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) project. The NRS development process includes national and subnational consultations.

The objective of the present mission was to provide technical support to deliberations at the first national consultation in Sihanoukville, 20-21 May 2015. The objectives of the consultation were to 1) present the current status, purpose and contents of the NRS, 2) collect technical inputs and general concerns from stakeholders and technical experts, and 3) identify issues requiring further inputs to revise the working draft document.

### 9.a Findings

- The NRS is currently in its first draft format; a second draft will be produced by the two lead authors following this consultation to incorporate feedback received.
- Day 1 provided an overview of REDD+, the strategy and reviewed the contents of the first four chapters, followed by discussion groups.
- In Day 2 participants were presented with the subsequent remaining chapters and further discussion groups were held.

### 9.b Results achieved (key outputs)

- General awareness among stakeholders of the contents and purpose of the NRS.
- Perspectives collected from stakeholders on the first draft of the NRS.

10. Key counterparts:

- FCPF PMU – Anupam Bhatia (CTA), Sovanna Nhem (Manager), Lun Kimhy (Coordinator), Nhem Sareth (Communications and Stakeholder Engagement Officer)
- REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat
- Forest Administration, Fisheries Administration, Ministry of Environment
- UNDP CO – Moeko Saito-Jensen (Policy Analyst)

11. Follow up action matrix

12. Distribution list:

UNDP REDD+ Team