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PROGRAMME ON CONSERVATION, SUSTAINABLE USE OF FOREST BIODIVERSITY AND ECOSYSTEM SERVICES IN VIET NAM

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A biodiversity rich country, considerable conservation challenges, remarkable achievements, great opportunities

"Viet Nam is one of the world's most significant biodiversity hotspots. It is so important to conserve the diversified ecosystem to strengthen food security, generate livelihoods, while minimizing the impact of natural disasters and climate change.

After four years of implementation, the project has significantly and effectively contributed to this ultimate goal by contributing to shape the enabling environment including development of the Forestry Law, bylaws, and sector strategy with special focus on protection and special use forest."

Mr. Trần Quang Bảo
Deputy Director General - Vietnam Forestry Administration

Viet Nam – a biodiversity rich country of global importance

14,677,215 ha
of forest
(42.01% of the country's territory;
0.36% of the world's total forest area)

Sources of livelihood of no less than
30 million
Vietnamese people

Among the top 16 global
biodiversity
hotspots

Good
management
of forest biodiversity and ecosystem services in Viet Nam is of great importance for Viet Nam and the world

PROJECT GOAL

State administrative agencies at national and provincial level responsible for the management of protected forests implement mechanisms which provide benefits from biodiversity conservation and sustainable forest management to local communities

PRIORITY INTERVENTIONS

- Strengthening the policy framework, technical guidelines, and institutional capacity at national level
- Sustainable management and financing for protected forests at four pilot sites
- Promoting non-state actors' engagement in the VPA FLEGT implementation

Tram Tau Protection Forest	
49,304 ha	Total forest area
26,726 ha	Natural forest area
11	Ethnic groups

Than Sa – Phuong Hoang Nature Reserve	
52,359 ha	Total forest area
17,413 ha	Natural forest area
09	Ethnic groups

Cat Tien National Park	
82,597 ha	Total forest area
77,834 ha	Natural forest area
11	Ethnic groups

Bidoup – Nui Ba National Park	
70,038 ha	Total forest area
64,373 ha	Natural forest area
08	Ethnic groups

Total: 254,298 ha forest,
73.28% of which is natural forest

Support the development of policies and enhancing the legal framework

Spatial Monitoring and Reporting Tool: SMART

Going beyond the targets...

Sustainable financing

Events and trainings

Support the development of management plans

Support to sustainable tourism development

Continuing the journey: opening a new chapter

SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF POLICIES AND ENHANCING THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK

November 2017
Forestry Law No.16/2017/QH14: Chapter III (SUF & PF management)

October 2018
Decision 447 dated 11/10/2018/VNFOREST guiding the implementation of PFES E-Banking

November 2018
Decree 156/2018/NĐ-CP (guiding the implementation of the Forestry Law)

Circular 28/2018/TT-BNNPTNT on Sustainable Forest Management

Circular 31/2018/TT-BNNPTNT on forest demarcation

April 2021
Decision 523/QD/TTg approval of the Vietnam Forestry Development Strategy 2021-2030, vision to 2050

August 2021
Decision 1183/TCLN guiding the development of an ecotourism development plan in protected areas

167 SUF Management Boards

2,303,961 ha

14,19% forestry land

216 PF Management Boards

5,905,870 ha

34% forestry land

Tram Tau Protection Forest

- 100% of the total 12 communes
- 94 % of the representatives are ethnic minorities groups

Than Sa - Phuong Hoang Nature Reserve

- 50% of the total 8 communes
- 94% of the representatives are ethnic minorities groups

Cat Tien National Park

- 96% of the total 12 communes

Bidoup Nui Ba National Park

Circular on Sustainable Forest Management
28/2018/TT-BNNPTNT

Q&A Guidelines on the development of a sustainable forest management plan for special-use and protection forests

Methodology for consultation

238 Community representatives consulted

10 Community consultation events

Site-level Assessment of Governance and Equity (SAGE)
All stakeholders voice their perspectives

- 01 Tool tested as part of global effort – tested in more than 10 countries
- Available in Vietnamese to be used by Vietnamese stakeholders
- 02 Technical discussions on the tool with >10 (I)NGOS in Viet Nam
- 02 Pilots of the tool in Cat Tien National Park and Tram Tau Protection Forest – results used for respective SFMP
- Over 100 local government officials and community representatives
- Possibility to be used as part of IUCN's Green Listing assessment

- Support to improve the governance and equity in protected areas
- Generate information for management, governance, and reporting

01 Review of protected area financial status in Viet Nam

'self-reliance' needs, options and ways forward (nationwide)

01 Sustainable financing strategy

for Cat Tien National Park

04 Financial site profiles

using the Protected Area Financing Self-Assessment Tool (PAFSAT)

01 Handbook on PFES

account payment to communities and households

- Transaction cost reduced 2.55 times
- Payment duration reduced 3.9 times
- Human resources (person-day) reduced 6.5 times
- Female account holders reached 36%

01 Guideline

a stepwise approach to sustainable finance planning for protected & conserved areas ready for application

- Evaluation of the **current status of tourism services** in protected areas
- **Guideline** for the "Development of ecotourism and recreation plans in special-use and protection forests"
- **Development of sustainable tourism plan** for Cat Tien National Park (following the national guidelines)
- **Policy brief** on sustainable tourism development in protected areas

- **Standardised SMART data model** ready to be applied in all protected areas in Viet Nam 2022
- **Training** on the most updated SMART version and standardized data model
- 09 Protected areas supported with full set of **SMART equipment** and 02 protected areas with smart phones
- **SMART network** and cooperation strengthened

220 Smart phones

240 Binoculars

Technical manuals
for equipment deployment
Full set of **SMART manuals** available in Vietnamese

27 Computers
(laptop + desktop)

111 Cameras

104 GPS

83

Workshops, events during project lifetime

- National conferences and workshops
- Policy discussion workshops
- Training events
- Coaching

6,079

Participants in workshops, events, and trainings

Around 1,000,000,000 viewers of online events and publications

- Sector leaders to grass-root community members
- Policy makers at national and provincial levels
- Protected area managers

183

Reports and knowledge products

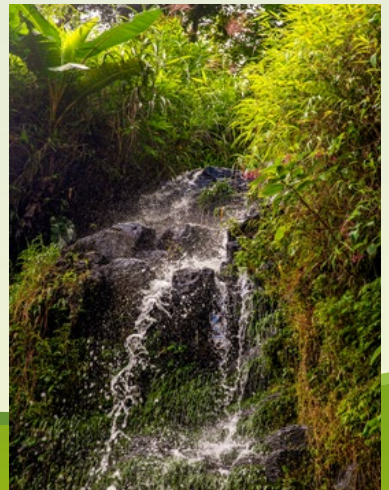
- Inputs to many policy discussions and policy development
- Available for all interested stakeholders

Targets	Achievements
02 Legal documents	✔ 06 National policies and 04 national guidelines
02 Additional guidelines for sustainable financing of protected areas	✔ 02 Additional guidelines for sustainable financing of protected areas
02 SFMPs	✔ 01 SFMP approved, 01 awaiting approval, 02 under development
02 Sustainable financing strategies under SFMPs	✔ 01 Review of protected area financial status in Viet Nam ✔ 04 Financial site profiles using the Protected Area Financing Self-Assessment Tool (PAFSAT) ✔ 01 Protected area financing strategy ✔ 01 Sustainable Tourism Strategy and Plan
02 Annual reports on the status of protected areas	✔ 02 Annual reports ✔ 01 Book introducing 96 protected areas in Viet Nam ✔ 04 Detailed booklets on 04 project sites
01 Guideline for VPA FLEGT implementation and monitoring	✔ 01 Study on indicators for VPA FLEGT impact monitoring, focus on ethnic groups
01 Independent report on forest governance by FLEGT VNGO Network	✔ 01 Policy brief on governance in the timber processing sector
02 Provinces have ecosystem services integrated in provincial spatial development plans (2021 - 2030)	✔ 03 Provinces have ecosystem services integrated in their Provincial Planning Tasks

New project proposal "Conservation, sustainable financing and development of mixed eco-systems in special use forests and protection forests in Viet Nam" discussed during the Government's negotiation on development cooperation between Viet Nam and Germany in 2021

Proposed working areas:

- **Conservation, sustainable financing** and development of mixed eco-systems in special use forests and protection forests in Viet Nam.
- **Models for sustainable tourism development** and biodiversity conservation in **mixed ecosystems** (marine / terrestrial) and for sustainable use of forest ecosystems.
- **Restoration of natural ecosystems** of special-use forests and protection forests to improve the resilience of forest ecosystems in the context of **climate change.**



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