

- Japan's initiatives & challenges

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- Japan's Current initiatives towards REDD
- On-going efforts for SFM on the ground
 - Approaches extracted from the on-going efforts



Japan's current initiatives towards REDD, e.g.

Call by Deputy DG of Forestry Agency at COP13



In late 2007

- Contribution to Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) launched by WB
- Emergency call for tackling deforestation at COP13





In 2008

- Series of workshops on forest fire as an element of REDD
- "Japan-Asia REDD seminar" for capacity building of selected Asian countries for REDD readiness
- "2nd GEOSS Asia-Pacific Symposium" for coordination of global forest observation
- Co-hosting ITTO International Expert Meeting on climate change & tropical SFM
- Hosting UNFCCC Workshop on methodological issues for REDD

SFM

".....Recognizing that sustainable forest management, as a dynamic and evolving concept, aims to maintain and enhance the economic, social and environmental values of all types of forests, for the benefit of present and future generations, ..."

(NLBI, UNFF7, 2007)

On-going efforts for SFM on the ground

Research & conservation





Prevention of further expansion of shifting cultivation





Rehabilitation of degraded forest land





Prevention of desertification





Farm forestry for income generation & environment





Training & field workshop







Log tracking system to prevent illegal logging



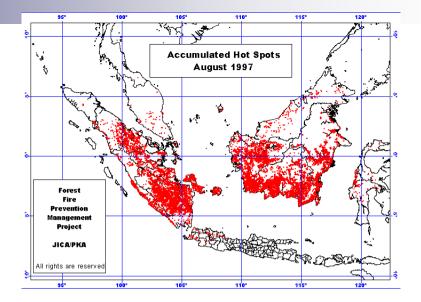
Policy development & coordination





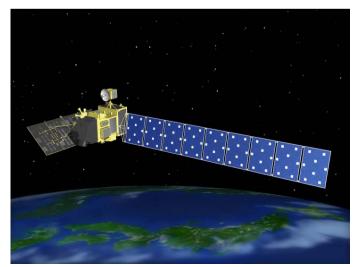


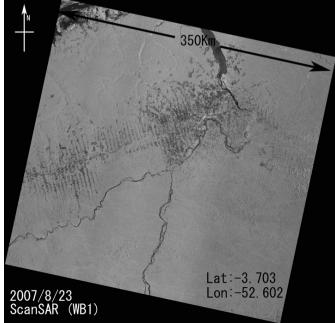
Hotspot detection to prevent forest fires



Control of illegal logging by latest satellite technology

(JAXA)





Three(3) key problems in on-going efforts

- Limited human, infrastructural & financial resources
- Numerous causes & stakeholders involved

■ Difficulty in institutionalization

Approaches to overcome the problems

- Limited human, infrastructural & financial resources
 - On-going & required action coordination
 - Use facility & material available in local communities
 - Use human resources available materials
- Numerous causes & stakeholders involved
 - Consultation & coordination among multi-sectors & stakeholders
 - Dev. Individual program specific to local condition
- Difficulty in institutionalization
 - Necessary steps to institutionalize
 - Program planning based on existing resources

Limited infrastructural & financial resources



Facility & material available in local community

Farms as school facilities



Activities on farm as textbooks



No cost, full participation, timely and visible.

Limited human resources



Fostering farmers in local community

as "Farmer Facilitators"

for extension, patrolling & forest management

Central Gov. resource Local Gov. resource

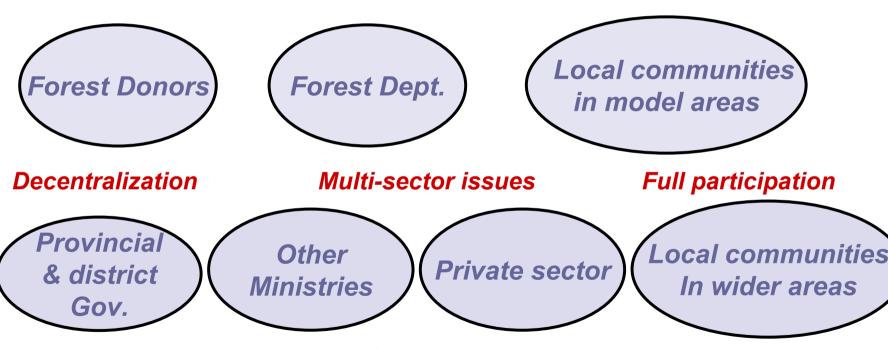


Numerous causes & stakeholders involved



Consultation, coordination

among multi-sectors & stakeholders



Economic development

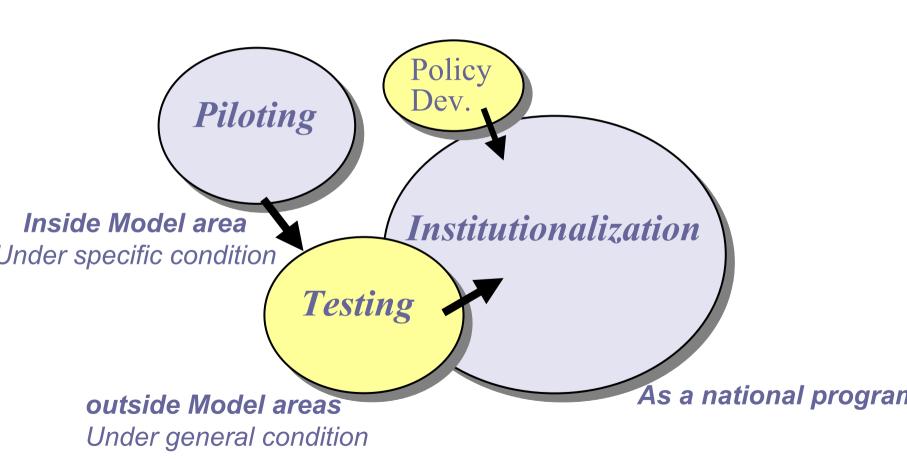
Government' & local revenues

Fill in gaps on interests, needs & priorities among stakeholders

Difficulty in institutionalization



Necessary steps to institutionalize



In addition to reducing emission, need synthesizing various benefits from forests

Criteria & Indicators (C&I) for monitoring & reporting

- the Montreal Process -

Participating countries:

Argentina, Australia, Canada, Chile, China, Japan, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Russian Federation, USA & Uruguay

Major achievements

- Dev. 7 Criteria & 64 Indicators to monitor & report the extent of SFM
- Dev. associated Technical Notes
- Publish 1st MP member countries' reports
- Japan is hosting Liaison Office



MP TAC meeting in China, 200

C&I initiatives for SFM in the world

- African Timber Organization (ATO) process,
- the Dry forest in Asia process,
- the Dry-zone Africa process,
- ITTO process,
- Lepaterique process of Central America,
- the Montreal process (MP),
- the Near East process,
- the Pan-European forest process (MCPFE),
- Tarapoto proposal for the sustainability of the Amazon forest
- FRA 2010(FAO)

MP working group meeting in Argentina, 2007



Experiences in SFM are valuable;

Effective use of available resources, intensified coordination & consultation, efforts for institutionalization, development of national forest programmes, monitoring & national reporting including C&I and certification.....

Lessons & knowledge extracted from the application of SFM are to be incorporated into REDD strategies.

"... In the long term, sustainable forest management strategy aimed at maintaining or increasing forest carbon stocks, while producing an annual yield of timber, fibre, or energy from the forest, will generate the largest sustained mitigation benefit." (IPCC AR4, WGIII, page 549) Thank you for listening