# NON-CARBON BENEFITS AS PART OF VIETNAM'S NATIONAL REDD+ ACTION PROGRAMME

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# What are non-carbon benefits of REDD+?

- VN policy framework: PFES, NRAP, National Green Growth Strategy, Nation Forest Protection and Development Programme, NBSAP.
  - Ecosystem-based benefits: Biodiversity conservation, water regulation, soil conservation.
- Social benefits: Jobs, income regeneration, land/forest use rights, enhanced participation in decisionmaking and improved participatory forest governance.

# National REDD+ Action Program (NRAP)

NRAP is approved by Prime Minister dated 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2012.

**GOAL**: The NRAP is aimed to reduce net GHG emissions, to contribute to sustainable forest management, biodiversity conservation, and successful implementation of the NSCC, poverty alleviation and sustainable development.

### **Non-carbon Benefits under PFES**

#### Service Provider/ Seller

- Forest management Boards
- 2. Forest enterprises
- 3. Households;
- 4. Local communities .

#### Environmental Service Types

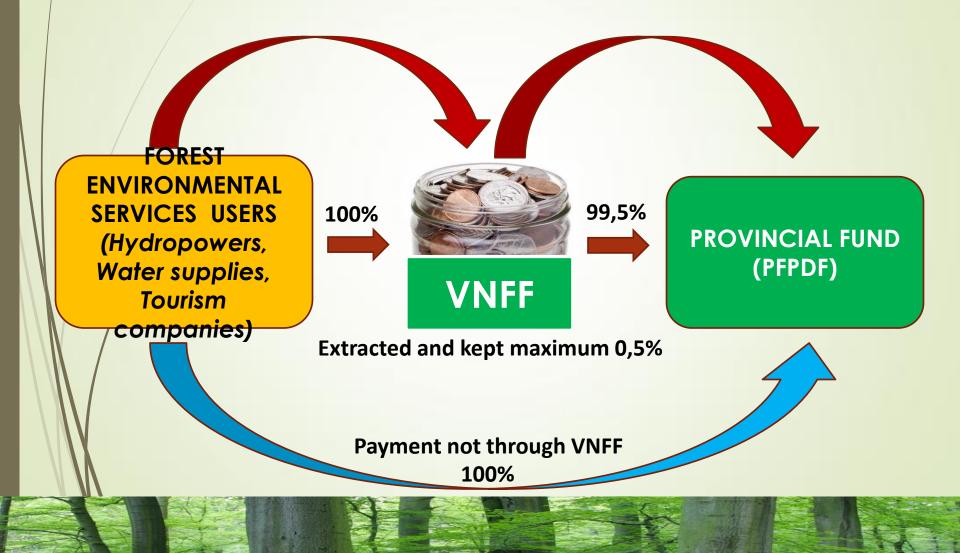
- 1. Water Supply and regulatory
- 2. Soil
  - conservation
- 3. Ecotourism, landscape
- 4. Forest Carbon Sequestration
- 5. Aquaculture

#### Service Users/Buyer

- 1. Hydro powers plants
- 2. Drinking water supplies
- 3. Industries
- 4. Ecotourism companies

**Vietnam Forest Protection and Development Fund** 

### **Payment through VNFF**



### Linkage with REDD+

#### VNFF

Established: 2008; Source: ODA, State Budget, trust and Voluntary Contribution, ect; Objective: forest protection and development; Results: 29 PFPDF

VCF Established: 2005; Source: ODA/Donors; Objective: Support for Special Used forests; Results: 70 Projects

#### TFF Established: 2004; Source: ODA/Donors; Objective: Sector support; Results: 35 Projects

#### **REDD+ FUND**

Tentatively Established: 2013; Source: international; Objective: Support for REDD+

### **REDD+ Pilot Activities**

- National Measuring, Reporting, verifying framework document;
- Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC); Guidelines developed, applied and evaluated in one pilot province;
- Benefit distribution system (BDS) Rcoefficients (payment weighting); self-selection procedures for BDS;
- Participatory governance assessment (PGA) Multi-stakeholder assessment (ongoing)
- National Safeguards roadmap

# **Country safeguard systems**

Gap analysis of legal, institutional and compliance frameworks

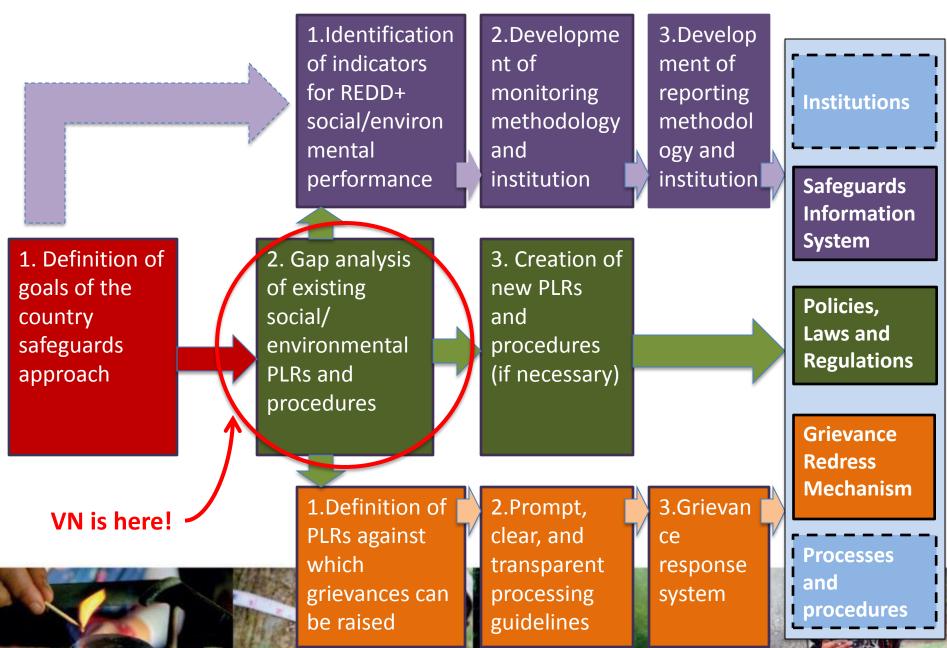
Roadmaps for a phased approach to country safeguard systems

Strengthening legal, institutional and compliance frameworks

Information system(s) for safeguard s

Grievance redress mechanisms

## **Country safeguards approach**



## Lessons learnt

- Vietnam has considered NCBs in both theoretical research and piloting
- Attention with NCBs pilot activities (FPIC, BDS, PGA)
  - Raising expectations among stakeholders
  - Diverted resources away form essential readiness activities
- Limited capacity

# Non-carbon benefits – the challenge

### Persistent uncertainties

Slow/divergent international climate change negotiations

### Multiple frameworks

**UNFCCC** Cancun safeguards

Multi-lateral REDD+ readiness/demonstration assistance

Bilateral readiness assistance

### Limited capacities

Inside government; outside government challenge to co-ordinate a country-led safeguard response

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