

4.4 Developing Tanzania REDD+ Safeguards

Process and Lessons Learned



Process used to develop REDD+ Safeguards and Standards

- 10 step process for establishing and implementing REDD+ Safeguard Standards in Tanzania
- Based on the REDD+ model developed internationally
- National level standards – don't confuse with project level

Process used to develop REDD+ Safeguards and Standards

- **Step I – Awareness raising and capacity building**
 - Includes: Technical personnel involved in REDD+ activities
 - Nat'l REDD+ TF, Tech Working Groups, pilot projects, REDD+ Secretariat and researchers
 - Stakeholders provided preliminary info during development of social and environmental safeguards

Process used to develop REDD+ Safeguards and Standards

- **Step 2 – Facilitation team established**
 - Nat'l REDD+ secretariat selected to run as facilitation team
 - No new/parallel structures
 - Team responsible to
 - Facilitate process of developing nat'l safeguards
 - Organize consultation meetings w/key stakeholders
 - Public comment period
 - Ensure coordination with other relevant processes

Process used to develop REDD+ Safeguards and Standards

- **Step 3 – Multi-stakeholder stds committee created**
 - Responsible for overseeing and supporting use of Tanzania REDD+ Social and Environmental Safeguards
 - Transformed existing tech working group on governance, legal framework and safeguard to play the roles of standard committee.

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- Step 4 – Developed plan for the Nat'l REDD+ Safeguard Standards Process

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- **Step 5 – Developed draft version of REDD+ Safeguard Standards (Principles, Criteria and Indicators)**
 - Collected/reviewed materials related to nat'l/ international REDD+ safeguards
 - UNFCCC (Cancun safeguards)
 - REDD+ SES
 - World Bank/FCPF (Operational policies)
 - Brazilian safeguards
 - Indonesian safeguards
 - Nat'l policies, laws, strategies, plans

Process used to develop REDD+ Safeguards and Standards

- **Step 6– Stakeholder consultations**
 - Avenue to make inclusive and enhanced broad participation of stakeholders
 - Objectives:
 - Raise awareness of int'l REDD+ safeguards
 - Share draft Tanzania REDD+ safeguards (PCI)
 - Solicit stakeholders' inputs to draft TZ REDD+ social and environmental safeguards document



Process used to develop REDD+ Safeguards and Standards – Other steps

- Step 7– Develop a monitoring plan for assessing and reporting performance performance of REDD+ program against the country’s safeguards
- Step 8 – Collect and assess monitoring information
- Step 9 – Organise stakeholders’ review of the draft Assessment Report
- Step 10 – Publish the Assessment Report

Methodology for consultations and awareness-raising

- **Zonal consultations with district and regional stakeholders**
 - Parallel zonal approach adopted to facilitate country-wide consultation
 - Bring together neighbouring districts
 - 7 zones – 2 zones parallel and consecutive
 - Nat'l REDD+ Strategy development participants form basis of list for safeguard development
 - Over 45 participants from each zone
 - Gender was given consideration



Methodology for consultations and awareness-raising

- Meeting with Forest Dependent Communities & Indigenous Peoples
 - One meeting w/forest dependent communities/lps held
 - Participants from networks established under MJUMITA, PINGO Forum
 - Pilot project communities participated
- Sharing w/development partners, NGO forums, int'l experts and public
 - Announce call was made for comments in govt, newspapers and nat'l REDD+ website



Process used to approve REDD+ safeguards and standards

- **Draft Principles, Criteria and Indicators**
 - PCI shared with REDD task force, standards committee and facilitation team
 - PCI approved by TF and standards committee before initiating consultations
 - National validation workshop (w/regional reps) consulted
 - Nat'l Climate Change Committees validation (steering and technical both)





What could have been done differently? – Lessons learned

- Have separate consultations w/womens groups
- Hold consultations at village level (select a few villages/district)
- Need more time for whole process (8 months too ambitious)
- Hold consultations w/different IP groups (e.g. hunter-gatherers, pastoralists, etc.)
- More awareness needed for diff. Stakeholders
- The whole 10 step process could have been completed

Lessons learned

- If meaningful consultation done, there are many issues that can be identified and addressed during process
- Regular awareness-raising/capacity building needed – REDD concept and safeguards are new concepts to stakeholders
- Safeguards are not new (embedded in nat'l laws and policies)
- TZ has sufficient legal and policy framework; challenges remain on implementation of REDD+
- Commitment of government to facilitate the successful completion of the process

Group work

In country teams:

- Discuss what stage you have reached in terms of developing REDD+ social and environmental safeguards in your respective country / region
- Discuss what opportunities you have in terms of safeguard development (existing laws, regulations, policies, project level processes)
- Discuss what steps you might take at country level to move the safeguard process forward

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