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# Strengthening Forest Tenure for Sustaining Livelihoods and Generating Income



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# General context and rationale

- Better income and livelihoods for forest dependent people is important.
- The system of tenure defines access to land, forests and other resources - critical aspect for livelihoods and income.
- Two key and interrelated issues:
  - Lack of, or weak, forest tenure policy frameworks
  - Lack of, or weak, institutional capacity

# Purpose of the TCP project

- To strengthen regulatory frameworks and institutional capacity of pilot countries (Cambodia, Nepal and Viet Nam) on forest tenure.
- In the long run, forest-dependent communities in pilot countries are expected to gain more secure and stronger forest tenure rights as a key prerequisite for ensuring the contribution of forests to their livelihoods and income-generating activities.



# Project Framework

Impact	Secure and strong forest tenure in the pilot countries to enhance the contribution of forests to the livelihoods and income of forest dependent communities
Outcome	Strengthened regulatory frameworks and institutional capacity of pilot countries on forest tenure
Outputs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Status, progress and gaps on forest tenure policies in pilot countries are assessed based on principles and guidelines provided by the VGGT</li><li>2. Action plan to strengthen forest tenure policies in pilot countries are developed, promoted, and implemented using VGGT as guidelines</li><li>3. Capacity development needs to strengthen forest tenure in pilot countries is assessed based on principles and guidelines provided by the VGGT</li><li>4. Targeted capacity development programmes to strengthen forest tenure in pilot countries is conducted</li></ol>

# Implementation arrangements

- The project is coordinated by FAO-RAP in close collaboration with FAO country offices
- Government Ministry counterparts:
  - Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery (Cambodia)
  - Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation (Nepal)
  - Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (Viet Nam)
- Project team
  - 2 international consultants: policy & capacity building
  - National consultants in each pilot country
- Partner organizations
  - Development partners
  - International/national NGOs, civil society, research organizations, etc.

# Thank you!

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