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# Cambodia Situation on Estimation of Carbon Stock Change in Mineral Soils

Technical Training for Reporting Soil Carbon Stock Change in  
National Greenhouse Gas Inventories  
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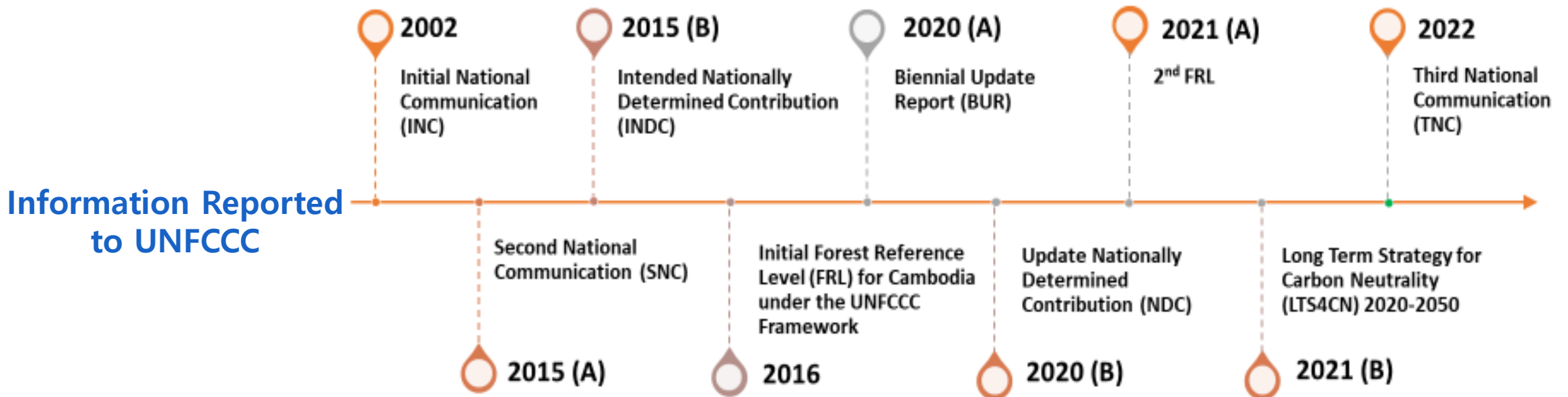
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# 1 Overview of Cambodia

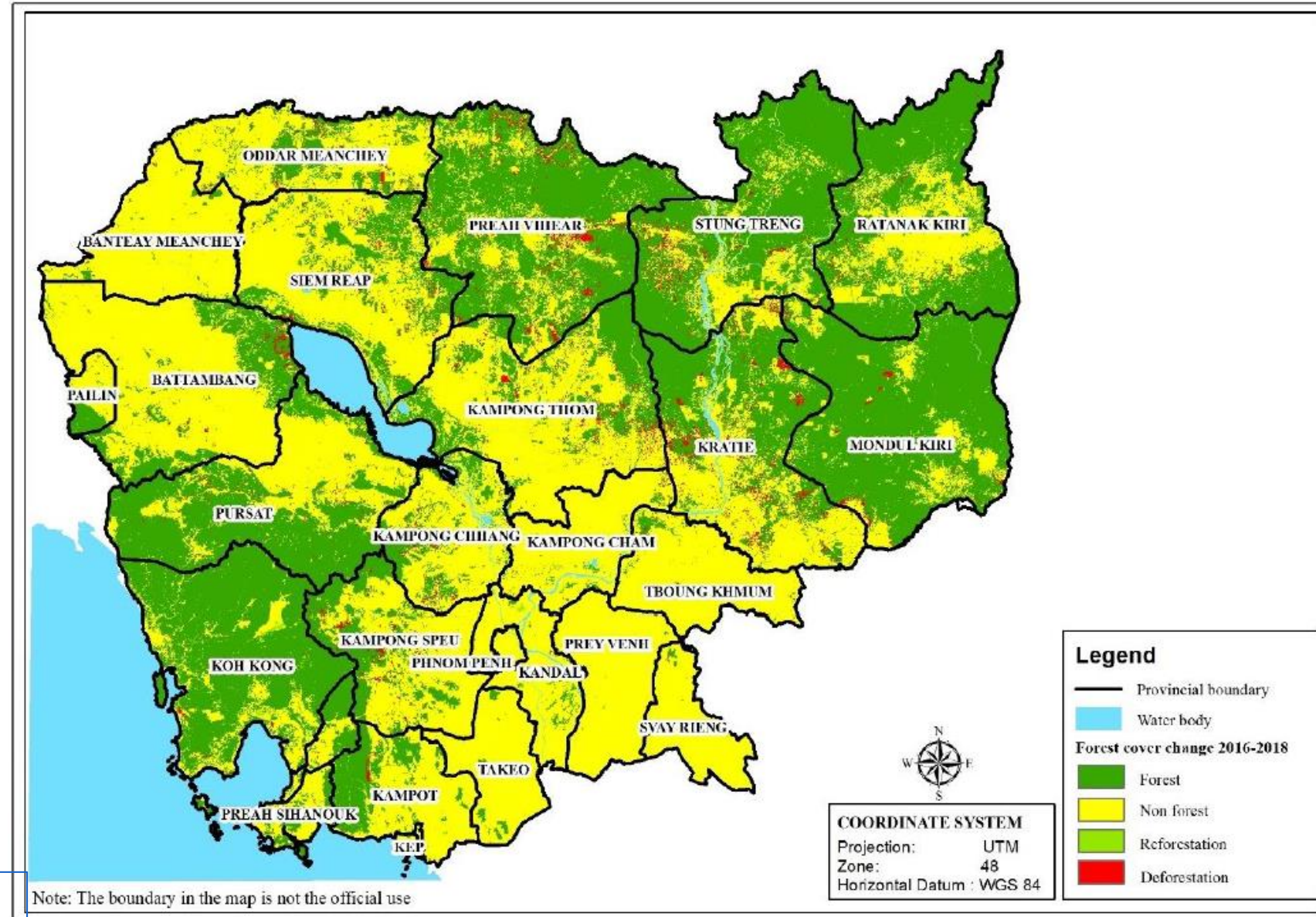
- Cambodia was ranked as the 12th most climate risk-prone country globally base on Global Climate Risk Index.
- Cambodia became a Party to UNFCCC in Dec 1995, and membership officially on 17<sup>th</sup> March, 1996
- On 22 April, 2016 Cambodia sign the Paris Agreement and ratification on 06<sup>th</sup> February 2017.



# 2. Land Use

Table 1. Land use maps classification system.  
Source: Technical Annex to the BUR (2020)

Land use/cover		
Category	Sub-category	
Forest land	Natural forest	Evergreen
		Semi-evergreen
		Deciduous
		Pine forest
		Bamboo
		Mangrove
		Rear mangrove
		Flooded forest
		Forest regrowth
		Planted Forest
	Tree plantation	
Cropland		Rubber plantation
		Oil palm plantation
		Cropland
		Paddy field
Grassland		Grassland
		Wood shrub
Wetland		Water
Settlement		Village
		Built-up area
Other lands		Rock
		Sand



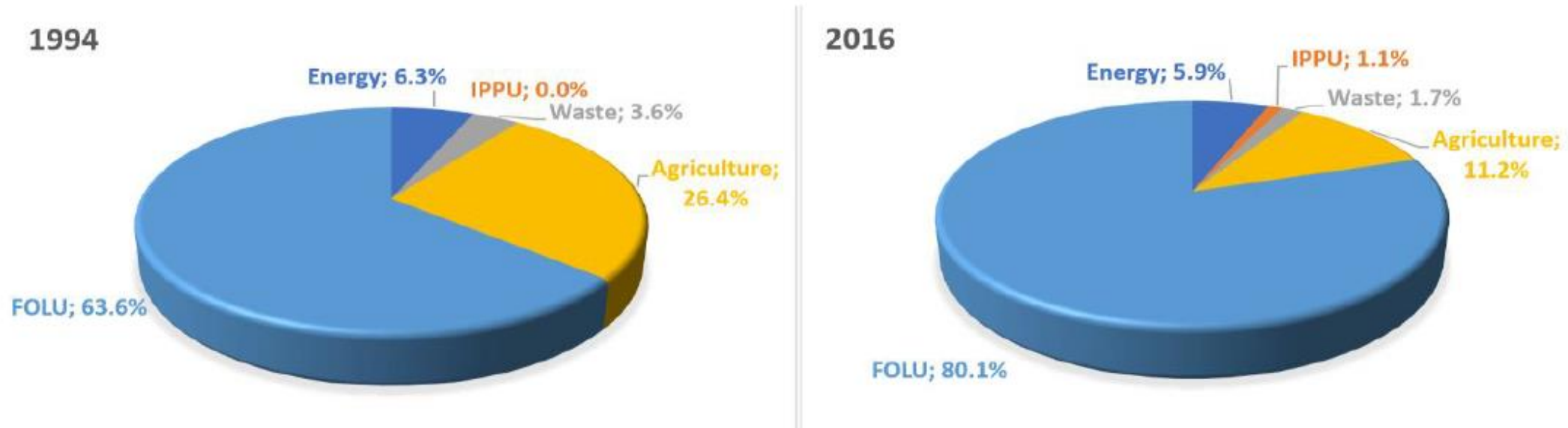
Second Forest Reference Level

Figure 5. FCC Map 2016-2018. Source: MoE.

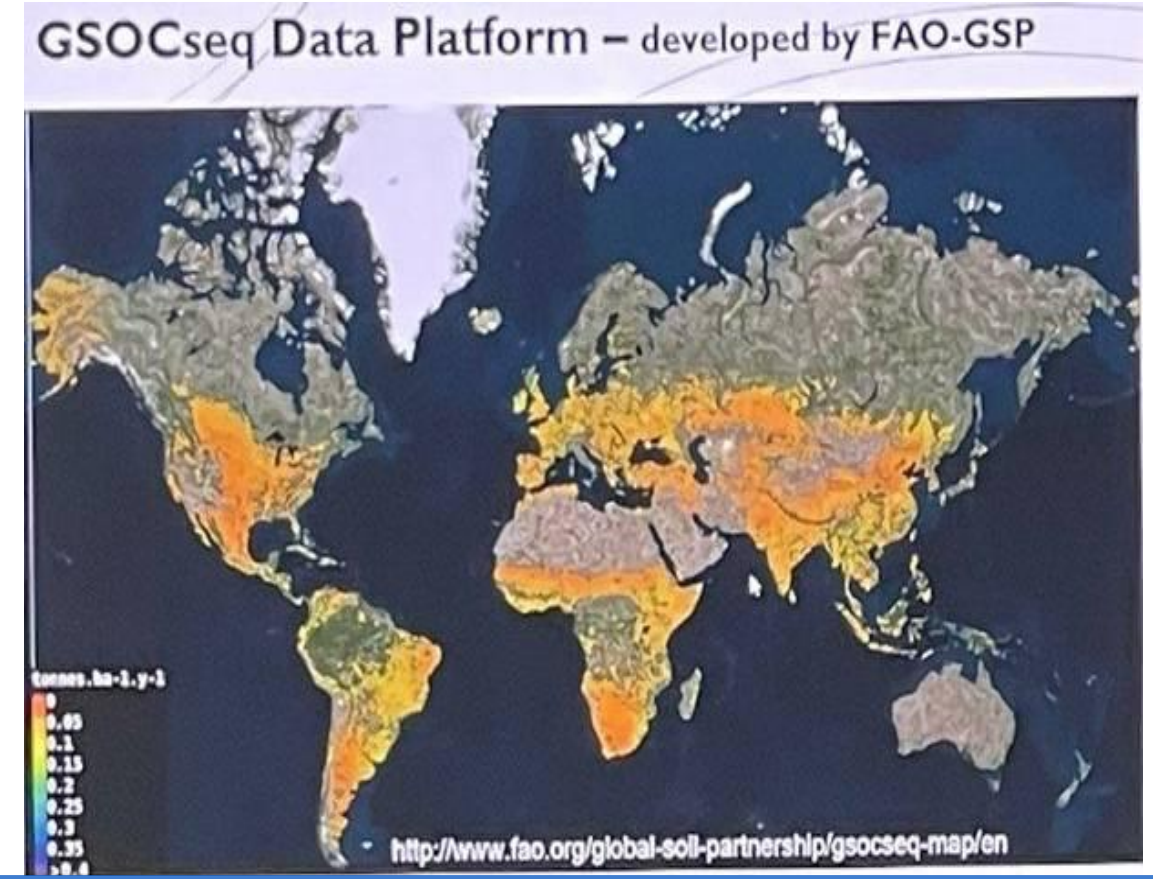
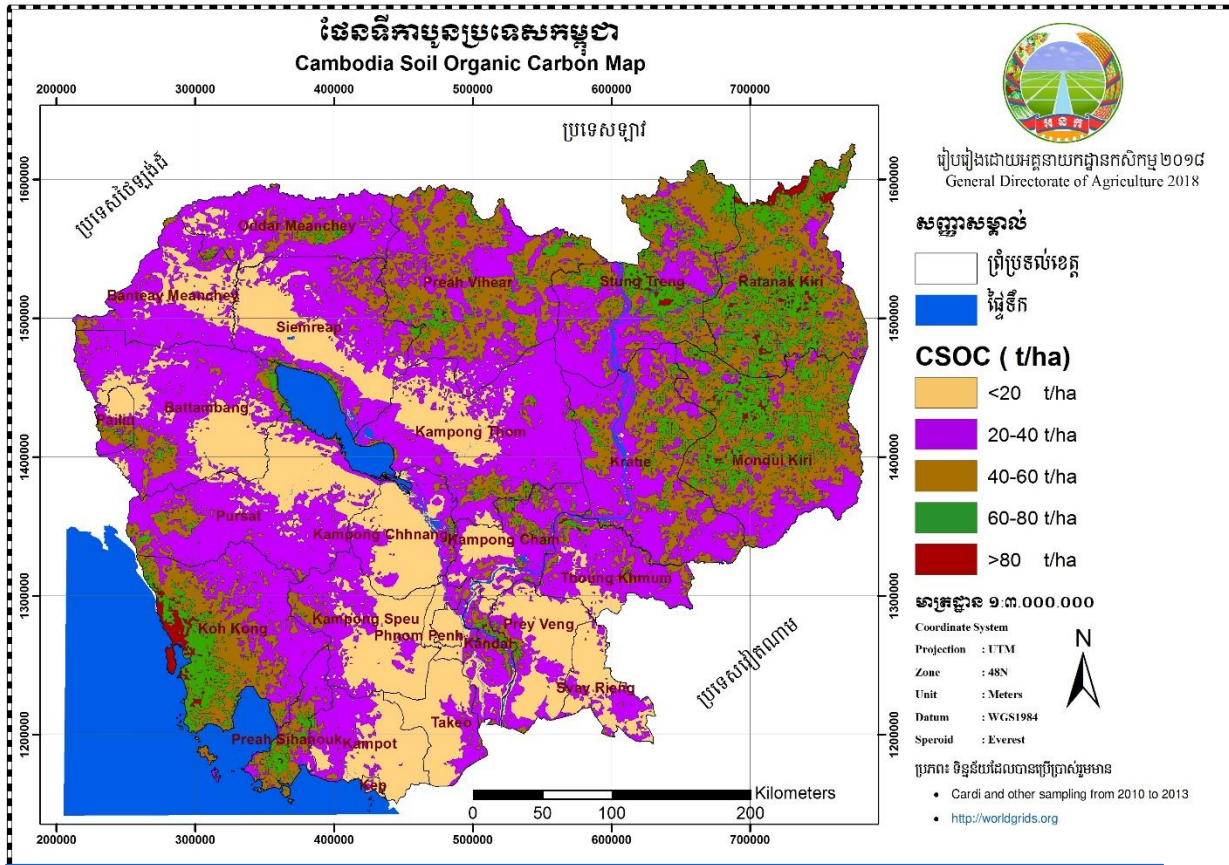
# 3 GHGs emission by Sectors

- Although Cambodia currently contributes only 0.02% to global greenhouse gas emissions (ADB, 2021), it has committed to reducing greenhouse gas by up to 42% by 2030 (Minister of MoE, COP26).
- Major contributor to the GHG is the Forest and Other Land Use sector (FOLU), which is driven by the change in carbon stocks due to deforestation and other changes in the land use.

GHGs emissions by Sector 1994, 2006



# 4 Soil Organic Carbon Stocks Map



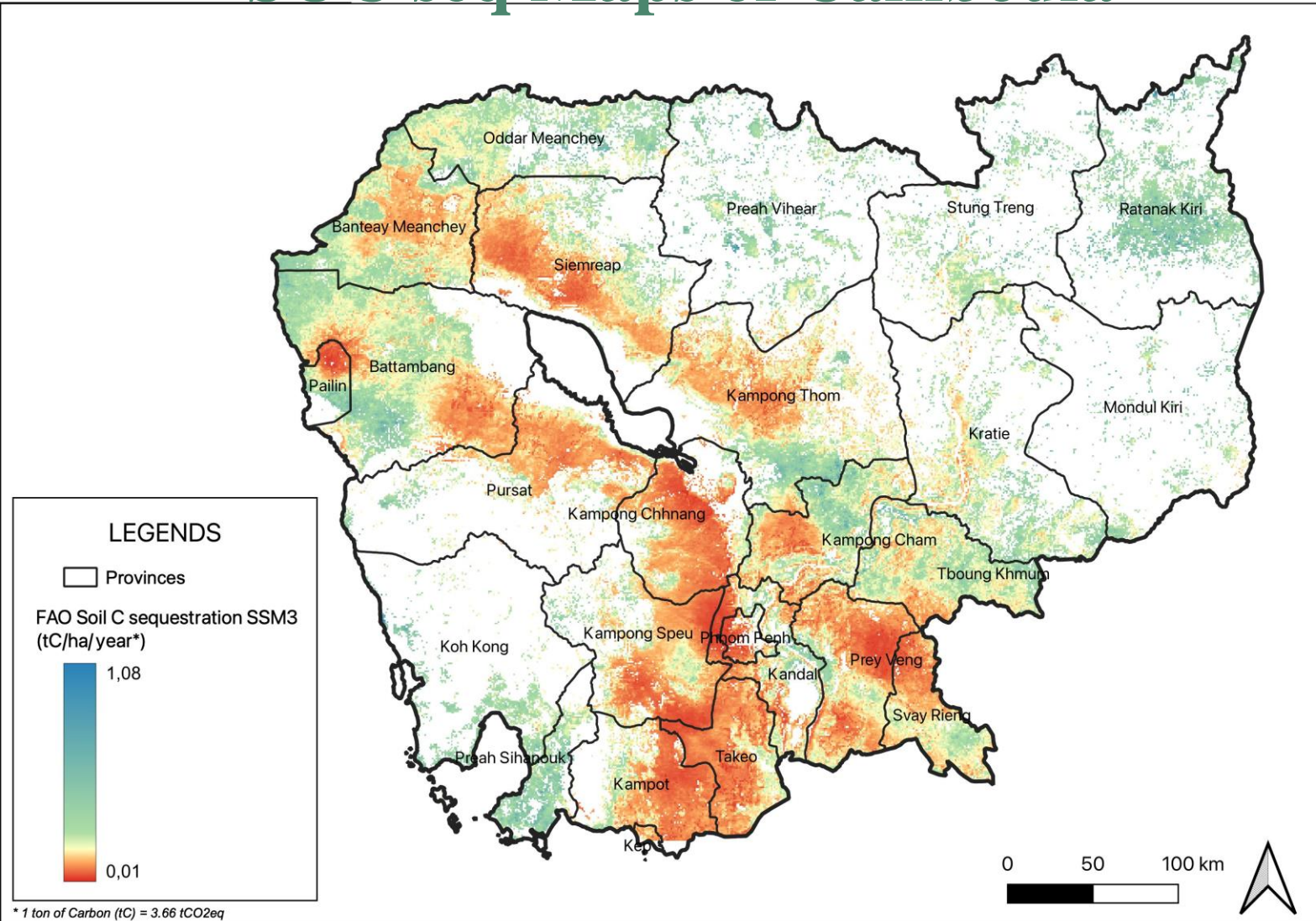
The Cambodian map of Soil Organic Carbon (SOC) stocks at 0-30 cm.

With supported by AFACI/RDA “SOIL Project” and FAO, Soil Organic Carbon map, and Soil Organic Carbon Sequestration map was produced in 2021.

- The highest SOC stocks were found in the mangrove and upland forests in SW and NE of the country.
- The lowest SOC stocks are found on the **upper sandy terraces** where rainfed rice is mainly cultivated.

# 4 Soil Organic Carbon Stocks Map-Cont

## SOC seq Maps of Cambodia



### Cambodia/FAO/GSP

#### GSOCseq layers source:

National Submission

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Resources Management, General

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# 5 SOC Under the Report to UNFCCC

- NDC updated 2020: SOC was not included in NDC.
- BUR 2020 : Carbon stock change for mineral soil was not estimated
- MRV was applied but in the Forestry sector (REDD+ project)
- The latest version of the IPCC inventory software (Ver. 2.691) was used to compile the inventories. (Third Communication )
- Second FRL: The country needs to collect data of litter, deadwood, and soil organic carbon pools to be included in the next FRL



# 6 Next Step

- To produce soil property maps (pH, CEC, Texture, and other nutrients)
- To update soil organic carbon (SOC) and soil organic carbon sequestration (SOCseq) maps
- To develop national soil information and soil profile database
- To develop land suitability and crop maps for the main crops (i.e. cashew, cassava, corn, mango, banana, longan, durian, sugarcane, black pepper, date, and soybean)
- Capacity building on DSM and Soil Information System Management

**Thank You!**

