



# Procedures for Accessing UN-REDD Programme Targeted Support

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## **Background**

The UN-REDD Policy Board in its seventh meeting requested the UN-REDD Programme to present by its eighth meeting clarification regarding procedures for countries to access targeted support within the Global Programme. The present document contains the clarification on the scope of targeted support and procedures for partner countries of the UN-REDD Programme to make a request.

## **Concept and scope of targeted support**

The Support to National REDD+ Action - Global Programme (“Global Programme”) was endorsed by the Policy Board in August 2011 and started implementation on 1 November 2011, following the Policy Board’s approval of the first year’s budget. The document defines the concept of targeted support as demand-driven specific support under one or more of the UN-REDD Programme six work areas that should serve as a bridge between National Programmes and the Global Programme. In line with the nature of the Global Programme, all partner countries of the UN-REDD Programme are eligible to receive targeted support, subject to the availability of funds and the programming priorities of the work areas. In practical terms, targeted support means specific technical advice and other capacity strengthening support that a country may request on a critical REDD+ readiness aspect it has identified, which is not covered through other multilateral or bilateral initiatives or by its National Programme, and where the UN-REDD Programme has comparative advantage to provide such support.

The Support to National REDD+ Action - Global Programme Framework Document also defines the scope of targeted support as small-scale, demand-driven, and technical or advisory in nature and to be provided to countries by the participating UN agencies in response to country needs. Countries requesting targeted support are expected to have developed or be in the process of developing a National REDD+ strategy so that they can specify gaps that could be filled by this additional specific support.

The UN-REDD agencies will also continue to provide backstopping for the development and implementation of National Programmes. Whenever such backstopping is covered financially by the Global Programme rather than the National Programme in question, this is considered as targeted support.

Partner countries of the UN-REDD Programme may request such support either through the Secretariat or, in the case of backstopping of existing National Programmes, directly from the agencies. The Secretariat will ensure all country requests for targeted support it receives are channelled to the relevant agency team and copied to the other agencies’ teams and the UN Resident Coordinator. The Secretariat will also coordinate the annual reporting to the Policy Board in the context of the “Support for National REDD+ Actions” programme reporting. Any request for targeted support already agreed by the agencies before Policy Board eight are not affected by the procedures outlined below.

## **Procedure for requesting targeted support:**

1. Targeted support can be requested by partner countries of the UN-REDD Programme which are undertaking REDD+ efforts with a view to design and implement a national REDD+

strategy or action plan, including those which are designing or implementing National Programmes.

2. The targeted support should be scoped within any of the six work areas defined in the UN-REDD Programme Strategy and should represent additional and specific contribution to national REDD+ efforts with a view to fill gaps or to leverage other activities.
3. The requests for targeted support should be presented by partner countries of the UN-REDD Programme, in coordination with the agencies' teams and the Resident Coordinator, to the UN-REDD Secretariat. Requests for backstopping of National Programmes can be sent directly to the participating UN agencies.
4. The requests will be registered by the UN-REDD Secretariat and forwarded to the agencies' REDD teams for decision on whether the request can be met, based on :
  - Consistency of the request with the objectives of the UN-REDD Programme ;
  - Potential contribution of the targeted support to national REDD+ efforts ;
  - Participating agencies' availability of technical and financial resources;
  - Alignment with the agencies' programming priorities for the relevant work areas.
5. The participating agencies will communicate directly with the countries on the targeted support requests and will report on the agreements reached through the Secretariat.