

**REDD+ Academy/Bhutan**  
**Module 6 (Forest Reference Levels)**  
**Group Exercise – Instructions**

In FAKE, the national definition of forest is:

*Land with tree crown cover (or equivalent stocking level) of more than 20% and area of more than 0.5 hectares. The trees should be able to reach a minimum height of 5 meters at maturity in situ.*

FAKE's first NFI was initiated in 2010, and will shortly be completed. Initial data are available for some forest types, and were used to provide the values of C-stocks used in the Module 5 exercise.

Multi-year high-resolution satellite imagery (RapidEye) is available for the entire country.

**Part 1**

For the case of FAKE, based on the changes seen over 2005-2015 (PowerPoint slide), consider:

- Which of the REDD+ activities would you include in your initial FRL?
- What would be some reasons for not including a REDD+ activity?

Take about 30 minutes for this.

Take into account decisions on:

- Forest definition
- Scope (activities/pools/gases)
- Scale
- Data availability (AD/EF)
- FRL construction methodology
- NFMS capacity

**Part 2**

Now think about Bhutan:

- How does Bhutan differ from FAKE?
- Do you think there are any national circumstances that should be taken into account towards adjustment of the FRL? If so, please describe them.

Take about 30 minutes for this.