



SUDAN REDD+ SESA STUDY

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STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL ASSESSMENT (SESA)

- A step in REDD+ preparedness process
 - Output 1 – **REDD+ strategy** that takes account of Env and Social considerations
 - Output 2 – a **framework** for ensuring projects implemented under the strategy include Env and Social safeguards
- A requirement by the WB/FCPF to ensure the REDD+ process complies with WB safeguard policies

SESA (CONT'D)

- SESA process is informed by **analytical studies**
 - Done by other teams- review of drivers, land tenure, benefit sharing, communication strategy,
 - And by the SESA team - assessment of policy/laws assessment of institutional capacity, and stakeholder mapping)
- Offers an opportunity for **civil society** and **stakeholders in other sectors** to influence reforms required for reducing D&D
- Ideally SESA is synchronized with strategic planning to inform decision making on the REDD+ strategy



STEP 1 INITIATING THE SESA

- Launch the SESA – ensure stakeholder awareness of the SESA process, generate stakeholder commitment
- Stakeholder mapping – who to consult during the SESA process and where
 - Lists of stakeholders
 - Power relationships
 - Geographic location vis-à-vis hotspots for drivers of D&D
- SESA Consultation and participation plan

STEP 2 INPUT TO STRATEGY FORMULATION

- Preliminary assessment of the **Strategy Options** presented in the RPP
- Preliminary assessment of the **recommendations for addressing the drivers** (in the in-depth drivers study)
- Provide other comments and recommendations to inform the strategy formulation process



STEP 3 ENV & SOCIAL SCREENING

- Environment and Social assessment of the potential impacts of the REDD+ Strategy
 - Consultative process
 - Using social and environment indicators
- Propose mitigating measures to overcome negative impacts
- Propose measures to enhance positive impacts

STEP 4 POLICY AND LAWS

- Assess the **legislative, regulatory, and policy** regime to determine readiness to implement the strategy
 - Gaps
 - Overlaps
 - Effectiveness of implementation
- Use indicators for assessment
- Make recommendations to improve the regime for implementing the REDD+ and the ESMF

STEP 5 INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY

- Assess the **institutional framework** focussing on
 - Readiness to implement the strategy
 - Compliance with WB safeguard policies
 - Capacity to implement the ESMF
- Use indicators for assessment
- Make recommendations on institutional capacity building requirements (to implement the Strategy and the ESMF)

STEP 6 ESMF

- Formulate the **Environment and Social Management Framework (the ESMF)** to ensure projects implemented under the strategy are Env and Socially compliant
 - Screening requirements
 - Guidelines, templates, forms
 - Grievance redress procedures
 - Methods for ensuring rights of vulnerable groups are protected
- Typology of potential project types to be implemented and potential E&S risks
- Propose institutional arrangements for implementing the ESMF and a capacity building plan

PROGRESS TO DATE

- Inception report – at approval stage
- Stakeholder mapping on-going
- Developing the Consultation and Participation plan for the SESA
- Preliminary assessment of the RPP strategy options and drivers recommendations (to inform the strategy formulation process)
- Refining the methodologies and indicator frameworks for a) policy/legal/institutional assessment and b) the Environment and Social assessments
- Assessment of policy/legal regime and institutions to start soon
- Env & Social assessment of REDD+ Strategy (Feb)