

Project/Program Preparation Grant Request

FOREST INVESTMENT PROGRAM			
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1. Country/Region:	<i>Lao PDR</i>	2. CIF Project ID#:	(Trustee will assign ID)
3. Project Name:	<i>Protecting Forests for Sustainable Ecosystem Services (PFSES)</i>		
4. Tentative FIP Funding Request (in USD million total) for Project¹ at the time of Investment Plan submission (concept stage)::	<i>Loan:</i>	<i>Grant: \$13.33 million</i>	
5. Preparation Grant Request (in USD):	<i>0.5 million</i>	<i>MDB: ADB (Asian Development Bank)</i>	
6. National Project Focal Point:	<p>Mr. Khamphay Manivong <i>Deputy Director Department of Forestry, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF) Email: kpmanivong@gmail.com</i></p>		
7. National Implementing Agency (project/program):	<p>Department of Forest Preservation (DFP) <i>Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MoNRE)</i></p>		
8. MDB FIP Focal Point and Project/Program Task Team Leader (TTL):	<p><i>Headquarters-FIP Focal Point:</i></p> <p>David McCauley <i>Lead Climate Change Specialist Email: dmccauley@adb.org</i></p>	<p>TTL: Sanath Ranawana <i>Senior Natural Resources Specialist Email: sranawana@adb.org</i></p>	

¹ Including the preparation grant request

9. Description of activities covered by the preparation grant:

- Detailed scoping and further assessments of the activities listed under the captioned project to address key drivers of DFD, the FIP outcomes and themes of the IP;
- Review scope and implementing arrangements of ongoing ADB projects' to determine the best fit for incorporating the activities proposed above;
- Assess institutional capacity, human resources development needs and monitoring mechanisms for the proposed interventions.
- Undertake due diligence assessments (technical, economic, social, environmental, risk, etc.) for project financing proposal and any necessary surveys, consultation and refinement

The project preparation grant will be used to cover the costs associated with preparing the above captioned project including hiring of national and international consultants, field visits, stakeholder consultation workshops and dissemination of the concept note at the central level and in relevant provinces.

10. Outputs:

Deliverable	Timeline
(a) Project Concept Note	February 2012
(b) Consultation workshops at the central and relevant provinces	February -May 2012
(c) Project Appraisal Document	April 2012

11. Budget (indicative):

Expenditures ²	Amount (USD) - estimates
Consultants	280,000
Equipment (computers, gps, projector, other)	30,000
Workshops/seminars	80,000
Travel/transportation	30,000
Others (admin costs/operational costs)	35,000
Contingencies (max. 10%)	45,000
Total Cost	500,000
Other contributions:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government (in kind) 	50,000 (staff inputs, logistics support)

² These expenditure categories may be adjusted during project preparation according to emerging needs.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MDB 	tbd
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private Sector 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Others (please specify) 	
<p>12. Timeframe (tentative)</p> <p>Submission of pre-appraisal document for FIP Sub-Committee Approval: June 2012</p> <p>Expected Board/MDB Management³ approval date: July 2012</p>	
<p>13. Other Partners involved in project design and implementation⁴:</p> <p><i>Government of Lao PDR:</i> Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MoNRE), Ministry of Planning and Investment (MPI), Ministry of Justice (MoJ) and Ministry of Finance (MoF) at the national level. Provincial government staff in the proposed provinces of the line ministries and the provincial administration offices will also participate in the design and implementation of project activities.</p> <p><i>Other Development Partners:</i> JICA, GIZ through CliPAD project, KfW</p> <p>Mass organizations (Lao Women’s Union and Lao National Front for Construction and Lao Youth Union) and the relevant Civil Society Organizations will also be involved in the design and implementation of activities. DGM implementation and coordination through a national implementing organization yet to be identified.</p>	
<p>14. If applicable, explanation for why the grant is MDB executed: Execution by ADB will ensure an early implementation of PPG and facilitate the processing and approval of change in scope paper by the Government and ADB. Execution by ADB is also in conformity with ADB TA procedures.</p>	
<p>15. Implementation Arrangements (incl. procurement of goods and services):</p> <p>ADB will administer procurement of consulting services and goods from the Headquarters in Manila with support from the Lao Resident Mission, and the Asian Development Bank’s Procurement and Financial Management Guidelines will be applied.</p>	

³ In some cases activities will not require MDB Board approval

⁴ Other local, national and international partners expected to be involved in design and implementation of the project.