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Local implementation in the **UN-REDD Phase 2** draft PROPOSAL

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Overview of the proposed outcomes

1. Capacity building for NRP
2. Piloting in 6 provinces
3. Information, MRV & M
4. Distribution of Positive Incentives
5. Safeguards Mechanism
6. Regional Cooperation in Lower Mekong

CB & Planning → Implementation

For full capacities for results-based REDD+ actions in Lam Dong, Ca Mau, Binh Thuan, Ha Tinh, Bac Can and Lao Cai provinces

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Piloting in 6 provinces

Capacity building & Planning

1. Strengthened Enabling Framework in the Six Pilot Provinces & REDD+ Mainstreamed into Provincial Socio-Economic and Forestry Plans
2. Raised Awareness on Conducting REDD+ Activities in 6 Pilot Provinces
3. Provincial REDD+ Implementation Plans & Site-Based REDD+ Activity Plans
4. Implementation of Provincial REDD+ Implementation Plans → Site-based REDD+ Activity Plans

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4 steps for planning

Step 1: Initial Provincial Planning

- Assessment of drivers and assessment of forest industries;
- Mapping of:
 - forest cover;
 - forest types;
 - estimated C stock;
 - potential for deforestation, degradation, reforestation, enhancement, biodiversity conservation;
 - drivers, and; poverty;
- Consultation and setting provincial level mitigation targets – either in terms of forest cover or C;
- Identification and demarcation of suitable sites for intervention;
- Calculation of opportunity costs for alternative land-uses;
- Initial assessment of district and commune level capacity needs.

Step 2: Initial Site Level Planning

- Boundaries and forest types will be defined clearly, and potential REDD+ activities determined;
- Forest users will be identified and engaged in order to understand the local context in which demonstration activities would be undertaken;
- Data on drivers and the socio-economic context will be collected.

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Step 3 – Finalize Provincial REDD+ Implementation Plans

- Finalize Provincial REDD+ Implementation Plans → submit to the PPC for approval.
- Plans to include:
 - Targets for carbon and/or area of land to be addressed;
 - A final list of sites covering an optimal range of forest types and drivers;
 - District and commune capacity needs;
 - Measures for ensuring REDD+ safeguards are addressed, and data collected related to addressing safeguards;
 - Interventions related to forestry industries (eg, if coffee production is important in the province, a range of interventions in the coffee sector will be outlined.)

Step 4 – Finalize Site-Based REDD+ Activity Plans

- Approval of list of sites. For each site:
 - Awareness raising of forest owners, managers and other rights-owners;
 - Forest owners, managers and other rights-owners will be invited to indicate their willingness to participate;
 - Detailed work plans developed in consultative manner;
 - Prepare final Site-Based REDD+ Activity Plans, subject to FPIC;
 - Contracts finalized between VRO and the forest owners/managers /other rights-owners, defining :
 - any benefits (payments or other incentives) to be provided to the forest owner/manager /other right holder;
 - any land-use measures to be adopted, modified or stopped by the forest owner/manager /other right holder;
 - any benefits in the form of capacity development for to the forest owner/ manager /other right holder.

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4. Implementation of Provincial REDD+ Implementation Plans

Examples of typical support could include:

- Increased capacity of local forest protection teams (e.g. more staff, better equipment for fire fighting);
- Increased capacity of local agricultural extension services to support sustainable development (e.g. of coffee, rubber or shrimp farming);
- Establishment of district or commune nurseries;
- Developing provincial, district and commune capacity (e.g. including possibly People's Inspection Boards, Community Investment Supervising Boards and a Complaints Board);
- Interventions related to forestry industries within the province. (e.g. for coffee, rubber, and shrimp-farming)

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