REDD+ Implementation in Malaysia

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- Building on on-going short and long term policies
 - Maintain at least 50% of land mass as forest
 - Managing forest for its commodity to natural capital
 - Central Forest Spine and Heart of Borneo
- Building on existing systems
 - Sustainable forest management principles
 - Forest monitoring system
 - Land is under the jurisdiction of sub national government
- Cost effective measures
- REDD+ initiatives have only national funds

REDD+ RBP Scope in Malaysia

- Sustainable Management of Forest
 - PRF where commercial harvest is undertaken
 - New areas subjected to sustainable forest management through the gazettement as PRF
 - Extended harvesting rotation cycle.
 - Designation of forest for conservation
- Why?
 - 10th Malaysian Plan : Valuing Our Environmental Endowments, enhancing forest management
 - towards a low-carbon economy and SD
 - Conservation of forest

Addressing and Respecting Safeguards

Safeguard	MC&I
Consistency with objectives of national forest programmes and relevant international conventions and agreements;	Principle 1: Compliance with Laws and Principles Malaysian Plan Aichi target 1 &2
Transparent and effective national forest governance structures;	Principle 1: Compliance with Laws and Principles Aichi target 4,5
Respect for the knowledge and rights of indigenous peoples and members of local communities	Principle 3: Indigenous Peoples' Rights Aichi Targets14, 18, 19
The full and effective participation of relevant stakeholders, in particular indigenous peoples and local communities;	Principle 2: Tenure and Use Rights and Responsibilities Principle 3: Indigenous Peoples' Rights FPIC, Aichi Targets 14, 18, 19

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Safeguard	MC&I
Conservation of natural forests and biological diversity and enhancement of other social and environmental benefits;	Principle 5: Benefits from the forest Aichi Targets 4,5,7,11,12,13
Actions to address the risks of reversals;	Principle 6: Environmental Impact Principle 7: Management Plan Principle 8: Monitoring and Assessment Aichi Target 3,4, 19
Actions to reduce the displacement of emissions.	Principle 8: Monitoring and Assessment Principle 9: Maintenance of High Conservation Value Forests Aichi Targets 3,4, 19

Lessons learnt

- Translating the REDD+ safeguards to national circumstances
- Information assemblage for transparent, consistent and comprehensive manner
- Managing expectations of various stakeholders while not encroaching into their jurisdiction.
- A cost effective approach