

Establishing Monitoring and MRV System for Tanzania

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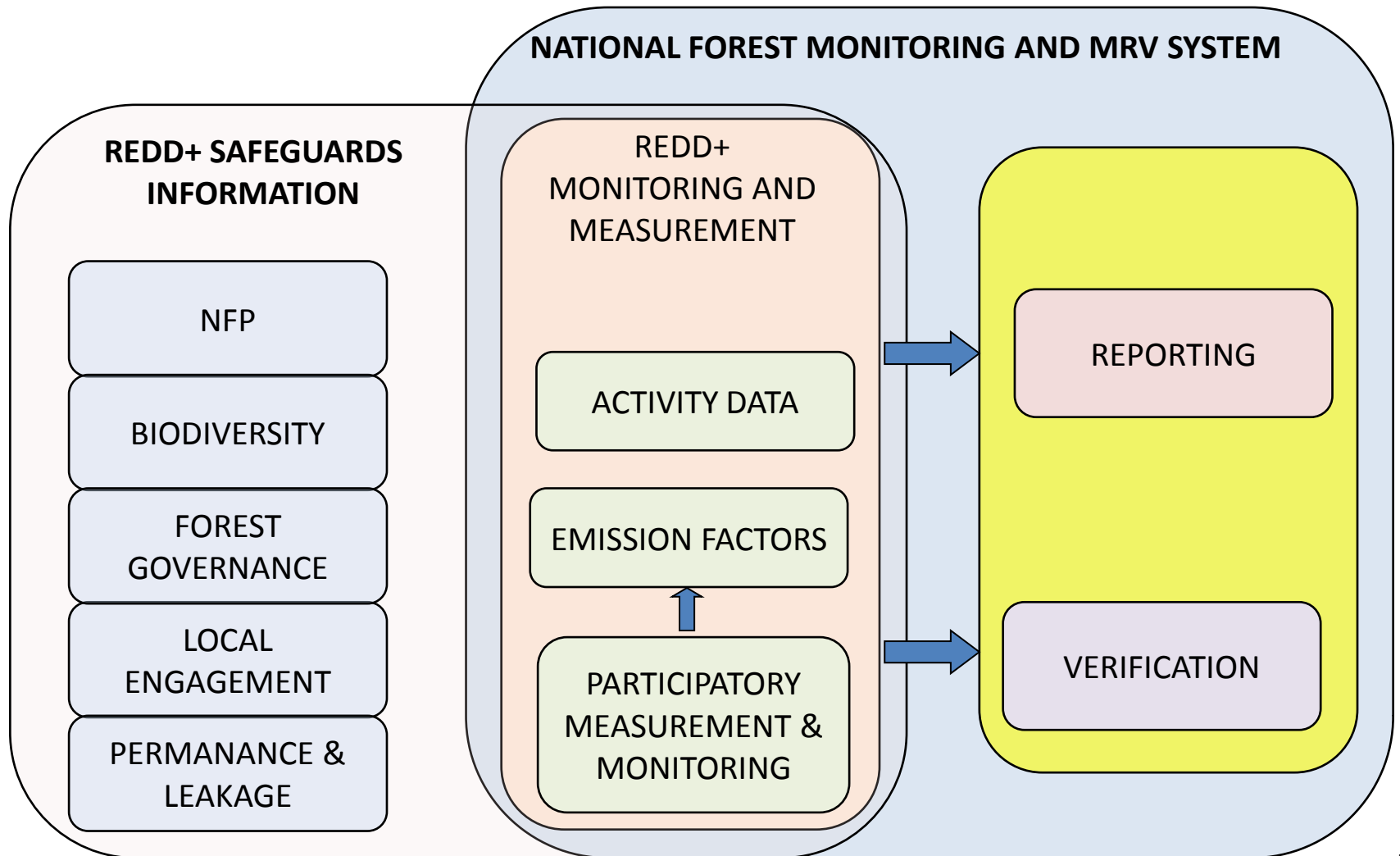
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Introduction

- Basic requirement for REDD+ is establishment of baselines/REL/RL
- REL/RL benchmark against which additional carbon benefits as a result of carbon project can be determined.
- REL/RL is established based on guidance from Durban Decision -/CP.17
- Considerations are also taken to include Safeguard Information System as specified in the Cancun agreements Decision 1/CP.16

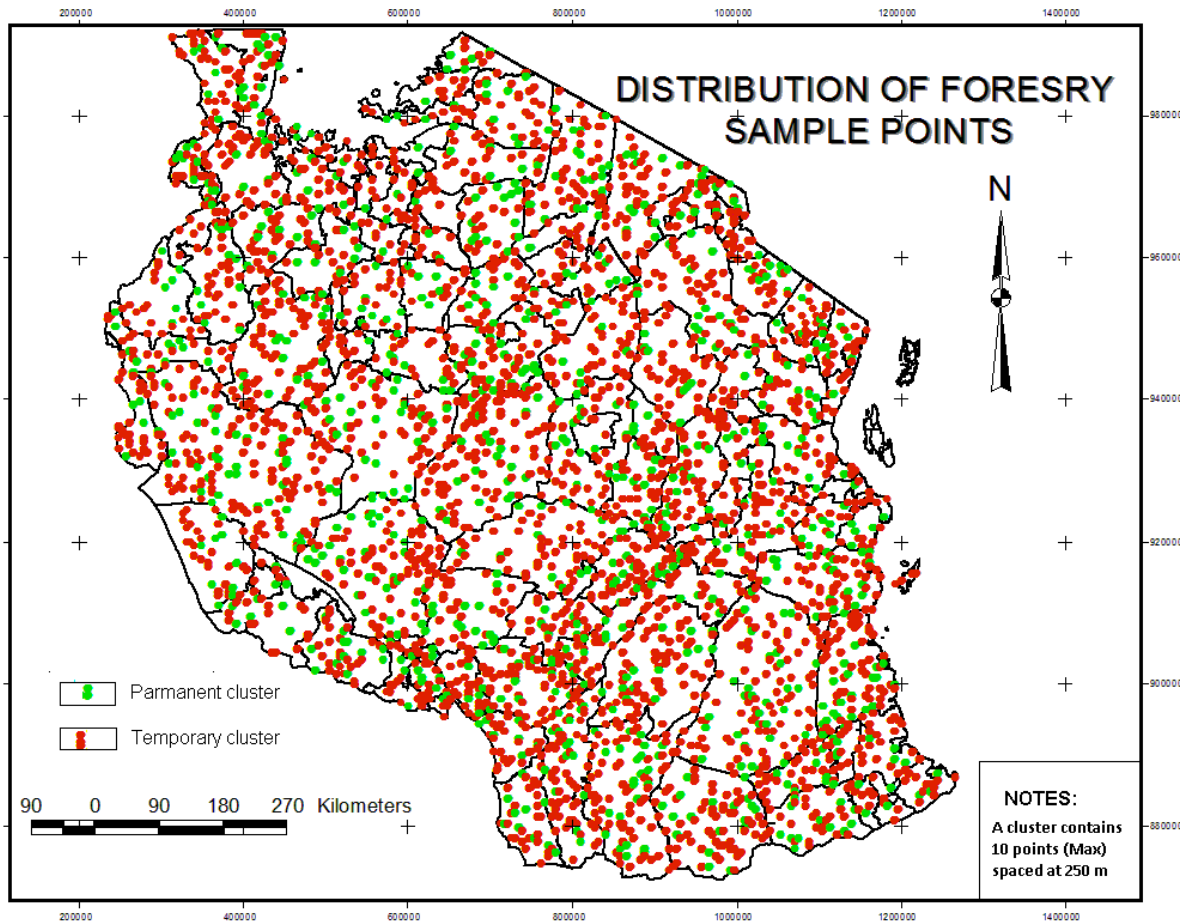
Introduction



REDD+ Monitoring & Measurement

- Undertaking NAFORMA and ZWBS for the determination of REL/RL
- NAFORMA and ZWBS:
 - ✓ build the capacity on national forest inventories and remote sensing,
 - ✓ determine the current land use cover/forest extent,
 - ✓ determine the current forest growing stock,
 - ✓ identify drivers of deforestation and forest degradation, and
 - ✓ design a forest monitoring system using permanent sample plots (PSPs).
- Also estimating historical deforestation and forest degradation and or growth rates

Tanzania: Field inventory design, location of plots



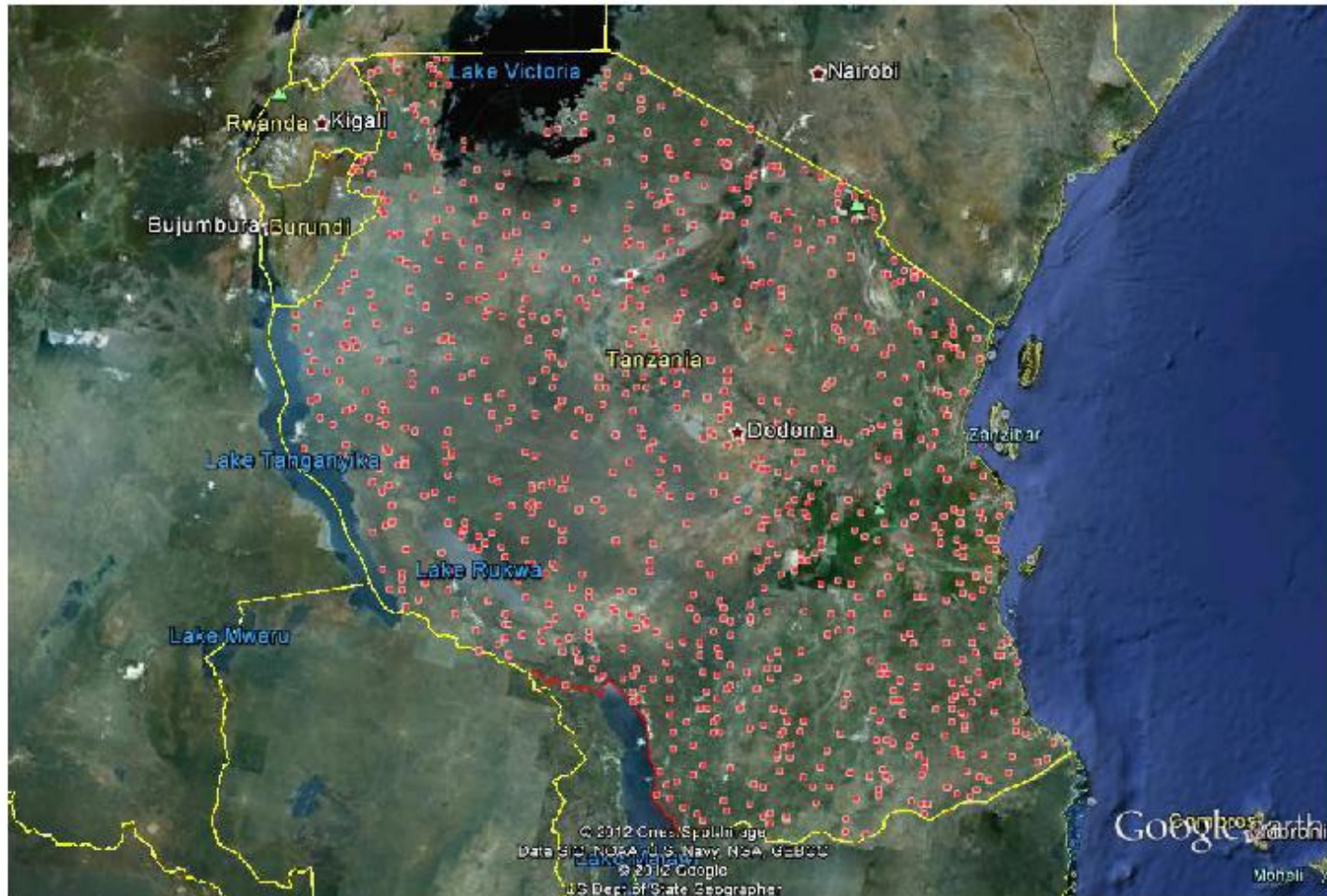
HH interviews linked to biophysical measurements

Emphasizes people living in or near forests

Appr. 3400 Sample Clusters of which app 850 are permanent sample clusters

Appr. 5000 HH interviews

MAP OF TANZANIA: PERMANENT SAMPLE PLOTS



Google earth

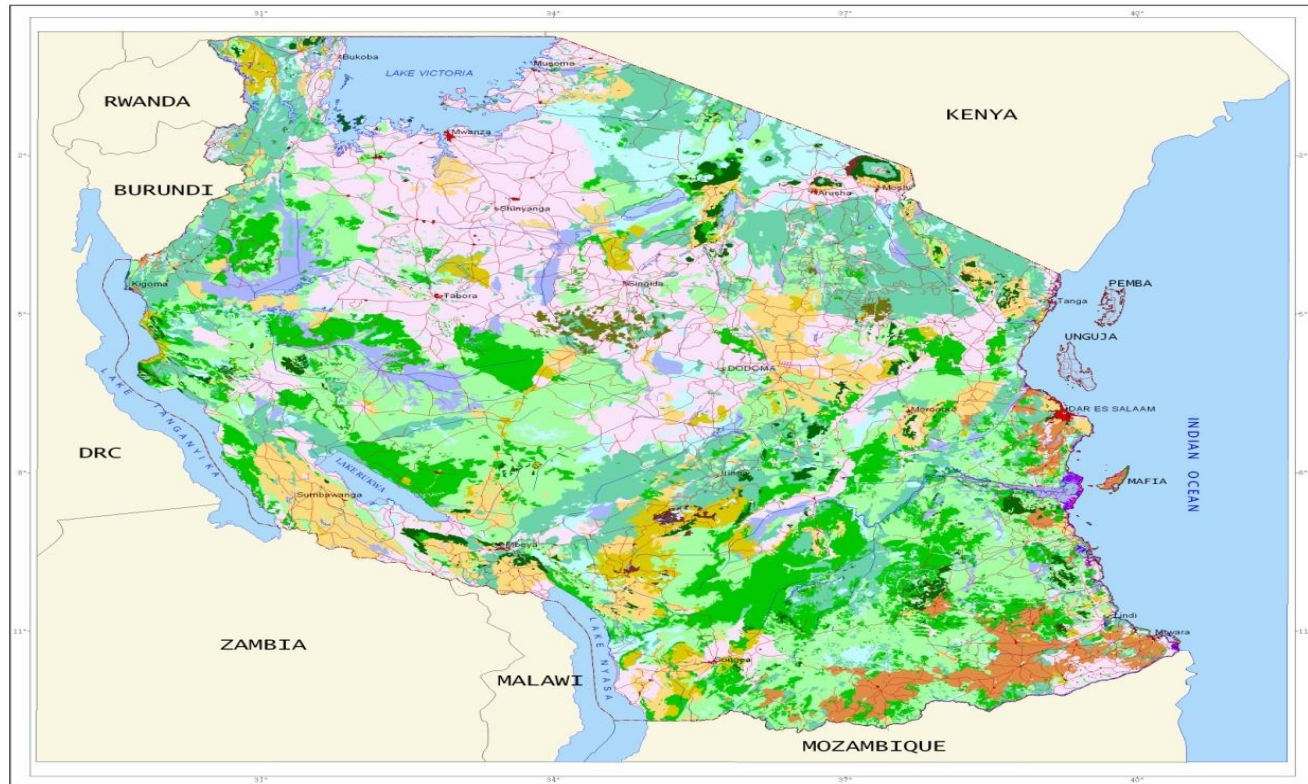
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MEASUREMENTS OF TREES



LANDUSE - LANDCOVER MAP OF TANZANIA MAINLAND



- Montane and lowland forests
 - Mangrove forest
 - Forest plantation
 - Closed woodland
 - Open woodland
 - Thicket
 - Bushland
 - Grassland
 - Wetland
 - Water bodies
 - Cultivated woodland
 - Cultivated bushland
 - Wooded crops
 - Grains and other crops
 - Built-up areas
 - Open land
 - Ice
- Main roads
 - Main Rivers
 - Major towns
 - National boundary

0 200 0 200 400 Kilometers

Field survey & mapping:
 GIS & mapping unit, Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism
 B. P. Mtshali from Sokoine University of Agriculture
 Fieldwork completed in November 2011

Projection: Geographic coordinate system, Arc 1960
 Units: Degree decimal

Source of thematic map:
 Landsat TMS images acquired between 2009 - 2011 and Google Earth images



Table: Mean volume (m³/ha) by land use categories and vegetation type for Rufiji. NAFORMA 2011

Land use	Vegetation type								Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	58.37	51.38	47.99	0.35	-	-	4.93	2.43	46.5
2	66.30	48.77	54.74	13.44	-	-	14.13	-	49.2
3	66.53	53.01	21.93	1.06	-	0	0.00	-	49.1
4	34.76	28.20	17.57	3.59	4.79	-	-	-	20.0
5	-	-	8.54	16.86	25.47	-	-	3.25	23.7
6	-	28.03	12.88	-	-	-	-	-	24.7
7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47.07	47.2
8	7.15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4
9	-	45.69	-	4.50	-	-	0.00	9.46	12.0
Total	62.18	49.78	25.02	8.68	24.54	0	5.18	43.53	38.7

- = not possible to estimate, e.g., no observations in the category

Relative volume errors (CV), Mean volume 6.3% (of 38.71 m³/ha)

Determination of REL/RL at Sub-national and project levels



- Nested baseline/REL/RL used to provide incentives to stakeholders within the country
- NAFORMA/ZWBS data will be fine enough to the district level
- Within a district, different forest regimes will account for their carbon levels in a similar way to the CDM approach

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- Data at project level will be of high resolution
- Participatory methods will be applied in order to ensure engagement of local communities in the MRV process

Coordination of MRV



- National Carbon Monitoring Centre (NCCMC) is established for coordinating MRV in the country
- Specifically NCCMC will:
 - Develop, maintain and update of national carbon database,
 - Develop harmonised tools, guidelines and manual for forest assessment and monitoring
 - Train stakeholders on the approved carbon assessment methods
 - Analyse carbon data
 - Verify carbon data using appropriate guidelines
 - Submit results to the National REDD scheme and stakeholders
- The process of establishing the NCCMC is underway

Challenges



- Foreseeing the compatibility issue during nesting of baselines at different levels
- Expensive process: human & financial resources
- Inadequate national technical capacity (high dependency on external assistance)
- Meeting expectations of different stakeholders
- Struggle to meet high standards with limited capacity

Thank you for listening!

