

Forests and People for Sustainability and Equity

Green Economy Green Growth - Myanmar

Second Segment: Applying Transformational Technology
and Management for Green Economy Green Growth

11:30 AM-3:00 PM, 14 November 2012

Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar

OBJECTIVES

1. Explore key opportunities and challenges to optimize use of forests for poverty reduction.
2. Assess different approaches that could be considered in promoting equity in sustainable forest management.
3. Draft recommendations on way forward for supporting people equity in sustainable forest management.

SESSION BACKGROUND

Myanmar is home to a great variety of different habitats and ecosystems supporting a rich biodiversity, especially forests. While forests officially account for 48% of Myanmar's land area (ECCDI, 2011), the country continues to experience one of the highest deforestation rates in the world. This decline has taken place in a context where 70% of the rural population depends heavily upon forests and Non-Timber Forest Products for their daily subsistence needs. The parallel session will allow participants to review the current situation of forest management and how forest can contribute to poverty reduction in a fair and beneficial manner.

SPEAKERS

Led by Dr. Tint Lwin Thuang, RECOFTC Executive Director, resource speakers from different backgrounds will talk about a range of topics in community forestry including social inclusion and people participation. The session will be facilitated by a team of professional facilitators with extensive experience in participatory forest management from the region.

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