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Agenda Item 2.6

Update on the Progress of Programs and Projects

Introduction

1. The total number of ten (10) projects are under the management of the AFoCO Secretariat in accordance with the **Decision 8-I-18R**. The list is in Attachment-1.
2. Three (3) scholarship recipients were selected in March 2019. Up to date, a total of 17 government officials from seven (7) Member Countries have received the Landmark Scholarship since 2014.
3. The Korea Forest Service suggested implementing pilot-project evaluation on one or two (2) on-going projects to test the draft guidelines for project monitoring and evaluation at the technical meeting organized on 2-4 July 2019 in Bangkok, Thailand.
4. The Secretariat conducted the project monitoring for a project on 3-9 August 2019 according to the project implementation guidelines (AFoCO/010/2016).
5. As of 30 September 2019, two (2) projects have been completed and the final audits are underway (AFoCO/009/2015 and AFoCO/011/2016).
6. The project period has been extended for six (6) months from 1 January to 30 June in 2020 without any budget increment (AFoCO/004/2014).

Points for consideration

7. The Assembly may wish to:
 - Review the update on the progress of programs and projects;
 - Consider to have project evaluation for one or two on-going projects in 2020; and,

Attachment-1. List of on-going projects (as of 30 September 2019)

Project code	Implementing country	Project title
AFoCO/003/2014	Cambodia & Viet Nam	Promotion of Forest Rehabilitation in Cambodia and Viet Nam through Demonstration Models and Improvement of Seed Supply System (2014-2019)
AFoCO/004/2014	Philippines, Indonesia & Thailand	Facilitating the Participatory Planning of Community-based Forest Management Using Geographic Information System and Remote Sensing Technologies in Forest Resources Management in the Philippines, Indonesia and Thailand (2014-2019)
AFoCO/005/2014	Cambodia	Establishment of Forest Genetics Research Center for Restoration of Major Timber Species in Cambodia (2016-2025)
AFoCO/006/2014	Viet Nam	Rehabilitation and Development of Mangrove Forest Ecosystem in Thai Binh Province, Viet Nam (2015-2024)
AFoCO/007/2014	AFoCO Sec.	Establishment of Regional Education and Training Center in Myanmar (2014-2023)
AFoCO/008/2014	Lao PDR	Village-based Forest Rehabilitation in Lao PDR (2016-2025)
AFoCO/009/2015	Viet Nam & Thailand	Developing High Valuable Species in Viet Nam and Thailand as a Mechanism for Sustainable Forest Management and Livelihood Improvement for Local Communities (2015-2018)
AFoCO/010/2016	Malaysia & Thailand	Domestication of Endangered, Endemic and Threatened Plant Species in Disturbed Terrestrial Ecosystems in Malaysia and Thailand (2016-2022)
AFoCO/011/2016	Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Philippines & Singapore	Capacity Building for Landscape Approach to Support the Sustainable Natural Resources Management in Brunei, Indonesia, Philippines, and Singapore (2016-2019)
Other	AFoCO Sec.	Landmark Scholarship Program (<i>Component 2 of the Landmark Program</i>)