

23th Monthly Report on Working Progress of TEFSO

in January 2016

In January 2016, TEFSO has performed the following tasks:

1. Sub meeting on final consultation workshop no.1/2016

On 8 January 2016, Mr.Banjong Wongsrisoontron, Director of Thai – EU FLEGT Secretariat office arranged the preparation meeting for final workshop of "Stakeholder Participatory Workshop on Timber Legality Definition in Thailand". Mr. Ekasit Aneksittisin, Ms.Panatda Deeyam from private sector, Ms. Warangkana Rattanarat from RECOFTC and Dr.Somrudee Nicro from EFI attended the meeting,the first drafted of agenda and outline of final workshop meeting was discussed. The final workshop will be arranged in February, 2016.

2. RFD committee meeting on FLEGT round1/2016

Mr. Pralong Damrongthai, General Director of Royal Forest Department was a chairman of the RFD meeting on FLEGT (RFD command 626/2013) round 1/2016, The meeting was hold on 12 January 2016 at the meeting room no.1 Tieam Komkrit Building, RFD. A key objective of the meeting was to inform the background of TEFSO, RFD committee action plan on FLEGT, public relations plan, TEFSO workpaln in 2016, office management and budget problem.

3. Sub meeting on final consultation workshop no.2/2016

On 25 January 2016, Mr Banjong Wongsrisoontron, Diroctor of Thai – EU FLEGT Secretariat Office was chairman of sub meeting on final consultation workshop under LoA2 2/2016, 3 stakeholders form civil society government sector private sector and consultant to the EU FLEGT Facility also attended the meeting. Keys point of the meeting consists of the consulted with the recommendation conclusion issues which will be submitted to MONRE on the final workshop meeting on February 2016. Another point, the meeting has revised the agenda of final workshop meeting. Next sub meeting on final consultation workshop will be hold on 2 February 2016.

4. Thai - EU FLEGT VPA working group meeting no.1/2016: LD consultation process

On 28 January 2016 TEFSO arranged Thai – EU FLEGT VPA working group meeting : Participatory on Legality Definition no.1 followed in RFD command 247/2559 at Meeting room no.1, Tieam Komkrit Building,RFD. The meeting has continued from the previous LD Ad-hoc working group on 18 December

2015 .The main objective of the meeting was to give an opportunity for Thai – EU FLEGT VPA Ad-Hoc working group to gave comments on draft LD 3 (edited version), which edited the contents, regulations and law as suggestion from the first LD meeting on 18 December 2016. Furthermore, LD consultant presented FLEGT critical gaps which the issues raised by stakeholders. FLEGT VPA Ad-Hoc working group divided into small discussion groups to prioritized 11 Critical gaps issued and presented their opinions.