TNC and RAFT Partner’s role in combating:

Illegal Logging, Deforestation, Timber Trafficking and Trade

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Core RAFT partners
RAFT works at 8 Asia-Pacific countries:

1. Cambodia.
2. China.
3. Indonesia.
4. Laos PDR
5. Thailand.
7. PNG
8. Malaysia.

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Context for RAFT’s work

- Combat Illegal logging
- Forest conversions
- Variable legal logging practices
- Reduce carbon emission at forest production practices.

- New laws to combat illegal logging & trade
- Demand for legality verification systems & capacity
- Demand for certification of forest management
Identified sources of illegal logging, deforestation & illegal timber trading activities:

Domestic Issues:
1. Lack of good governance practices (government, private sector and community).
2. Lack of law enforcement (awareness, capacity building).

Regional/ International Issues:
1. Global market demand of timber (awareness, ignorance / neglectance, lack of law enforcement)
2. Lack of cooperation between and amongst producer and consumer countries.
RAFT's activities:

A. Private Sector:
1. Demonstration model, trainings & materials.
2. Assistance to industry & small holders.
3. Technical support to encourage forest concessionaires do best management practice.

B. Government:
1. Technical Assistance to government to develop national timber legality.

C. R&D Center:
1. Research and analysis.
Demonstration models, training & materials:
• Chain of Custody
• Reduced Impact Logging and development of Reduced Impact Logging-C/ RIL-C.

Additional assistance to industry & small holders:
• National timber legality verification systems
• FSC certification
Training & materials:
• Timber chain of custody & export/import legality requirements

Additional assistance to factories, industry associations & training institutions:
• Market linkages
• Scaling up training opportunities
Technical support for development & implementation of:

- timber legality verification systems

Research & analysis:

- understand & document the current state of legality compliance
- pilot test compliance with legality verification systems
- disseminate compelling information about policies & practices that increase trade in legal products from responsible managed sources
Some RAFT Achievements (2006-2013)

- Nearly 1.3 million ha of tropical forest FSC certified, with another 2 million on the way.
- Supported 81 manufacturers to improve their wood and fiber sourcing with 20 factories applying CoC practices.
- Educated nearly 1300 timber traders in the region about changing market requirements with a focus on understanding and responding to timber legality requirements in Australia, EU and USA.
Some RAFT Achievements (2006-2013)

• Significant contributions to the national timber legality verification systems in Indonesia (SVLK) & China (C-TLVS)

• Contributions to ASEAN-endorsed chain of custody (CoC) guidelines for legal and sustainable timber

• “Carbon Management Practices” that can reduce carbon emissions by 37% without decreasing in timber production
Overview of Production Forestry Work for TNC Indonesia in 2013
Improving sustainable production forest management (3 main pillars).

Linking production forest management & climate change (RIL-C).

Supporting timber legality implementation (mandatory & voluntary scheme)
Improving Sustainable Production Forest Management:

- Providing FSC technical assistance to forest concessions.
- Supporting FMU & NGO in SFM implementation.
Thank You!

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