Papua New Guinea

Actions to Achieve National Goals
LEAF PNG Program will end in 2 months time (September 30 2015)

Solid awareness, capacity building, network, trust built with almost all relevant local stakeholders in Madang Province – quite strong at the local and sub-national level

At National level PNGFA/OCCD/CEPA very much involved with the Low Emissions work (these are major National Government Stakeholders)

Just beginning to get the attention of National Planning Department, which plans and provide necessary funding for development work in the country. If National Planning gets on board to plan development in PNG with a LEDS concept, then this should get most of the players (public & private sector) on board for the sustainability of LEDS in the country

No policy on Climate Change, REDD+ (AFOLU, LELUP, Land Use) in the country as yet (Draft Bill for CC and REDD+ is already before Parliament for endorsement)

AGRICULTURE (major stakeholder and Driver of landscape change) – Never been part of the discussion’s - they should now be a MAIN part of the LEDS work!

PRIVATE SECTOR – not effectively involved (they should be involved)

Not much Private Sector involvement in financing such work at the moment – but could change if proper awareness and marketing done (Chamber of Commerce needs to be aware of this kind of work)
What are the National Goals?

- Vision 2050 (Environmental Sustainability, Climate Change, Green Growth) – National Level
- Medium Term Development Plan 1 & 2 (CC, Environmental Sustainability etc.) – National Level
- National Strategy for Responsible Sustainable Development (StaRS) – CC, Green Growth – National Level
- Kalibobo Vision 2020 (environment sustainability & conservation, responsible development)
- Madang Provincial Development Plan
Actions USAID LEAF PNG can take based on the above background and issues at hand would really start at the Provincial Level (Madang Provincial Government level)

- Funding pledge commitment by MPG through the Hon. Governor of K1.5m to plan activities to draw down funds with ALL relevant Madang stakeholders to create awareness and understanding of AFOLU, LELUP, LEDS work with ALL levels of Government (LLG, District & Province – including Communities & clans)
- Awareness on LEDS work with Provincial AGRICULTURE Division (Natural Resources), Private Sectors in Madang (Ramu Nickel, PMIZ, RAIL, RD Tuna, Madang Timbers etc.) – Ramu Development Foundation (RDF)
- Complete Draft of the Madang Environment & Conservation Bill (including Terrestrial & Marine) for submission to Madang Provincial Executive Council (PEC) for endorsement and then to PA Members to endorse in August sitting
  
  Awareness with PA Members to understand the LEDS, LELUP, AFOLU work so they could pass this in August sitting (this will legally house LELUP, LEDS, AFOLU) – which will pull in Provincial Agriculture into this work and eventually in National Agriculture Department. Also provides long term funding under MPG recurrent budget to continuously fund this work to maintain sustainability of this concept as part of Madang’s development.
What is Our Strategy?

- Madang Government through the Provincial Planning Office to market LELUP, LEDS, AFOLU through the National Planning Office indicating that Madang is addressing the National Goals & objectives under the MTDP, StaRS, Vision 2050 etc. in putting into practice and operationalizing the “Green Growth Strategy or Green Economy”, which PNG has set as its Road Map for Development.

- With National Planning buy in (that’s the National Government buy in already) – then through the Governments PPP concept, the public and private sector can buy in as well (off course the Private Sector will need to be informed with basic language to buy into this)

- If a Provincial Government can do this, then maybe this can be replicated in other provinces through the National Government

DON’T FORGET WE HAVE 83 DAYS LEFT TO DO THIS – AND OUR TIME STARTS NOW!!!