Resettlement and Ethnic Minority Development Plan (REMDP)

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ABBREVIATIONS

ADB - Asian Development Bank

AH - Affected Household
AP - Affected Person

CARB - Compensation, Assistance and Resettlement Board

CPC - Commune Peoples, Committee

DARD - Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

DMS - Detailed Measurement Survey

DPC - District Peoples Committee

DPI - Department of Planning and Investment

DRC - District Resttlement Committee

EA - Executing AgencyEM - Ethnic MinorityFS - Feasibility Study

GOV - Government of Vietnam

HH - Household

IMO Independent Monitoring Organization

IOL - Inventory of Losses

LFDC - Loan Implementation Consultants

LFDC - Land Fund Development Center

LURC - Land Use Rights Certificate

MOF - Ministry of Finance

MPI - Ministry of Planning and Investment

NTP - Notice to Proceed

PIB - Project Information Booklet
PPC - Provincial People Committee
PMU - Project Management Unit
RCS - Replacement Cost Study

REMDP - Resettlement and Ethnic Minorities Development Plan

SIA - Social Impact Assessment

VND - Vietnamese dong

VWU - Viet Nam Women's Union

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

m (meter) — unit of length

m² (square meter) — a measure of area

m³ (cubic meter) — A measure of volume

kg (kilogram) — A measure of weight

GLOSSARY

Affected person (AP) / Affected household (AH)

Means any person, household, firm or private institution who, on account of changes resulting from the Project, or any of its phases or subprojects, will have its (i) standard of living adversely affected; (ii) right, title or interest in any house, land (including residential, commercial, agricultural, forest, salt mining and/or grazing land), water resources or any other moveable or fixed assets acquired, possessed, restricted or otherwise adversely affected, in full or in part, permanently or temporarily; and/or (iii) business, occupation, place of work or residence or habitat adversely affected, with or without displacement.

In the case of affected household, it includes all members residing under one roof and operating as a single economic unit, who are adversely affected by a project or any of its components.

Compensation

- Means payment in cash or in kind to replace losses of land, housing, income and other assets caused by the Project. All compensation is based on the principle of replacement cost, which is the method of valuing assets to replace the loss at current market rates, plus any transaction costs such as administrative charges, taxes, registration and titling costs.

Cut-off date

 Means the date of land acquisition announcement made by local authorities. The APs will be informed of the cut-off date for each subproject component, and any people or assets that settle in the subproject area after the cut-off date will not be entitled to compensation and assistance under the subproject.

Ethnic minority

- People with a group status having a social or cultural identity distinct from that of the dominant or mainstream society.

Entitlement

 Refers to a range of measures comprising compensation, income restoration support, transfer assistance, income substitution, relocation support, etc. which are due to the APs, depending on the type and severity of their losses, to restore their economic and social base.

Host community

 Means communities receiving physically displaced persons of a project as resettlers.

Income restoration

- Re-establishing productive livelihood of the displaced persons to enable income generation equal to or, if possible, better than that earned by the displaced persons before the resettlement.

Income restoration program

 A program designed with various activities that aim to support affected persons to recover their income / livelihood to preproject levels. The program is designed to address the specific needs of the affected persons based on the socioeconomic survey and consultations.

Inventory of Losses (IOL)

This is the process where all fixed assets (i.e., lands used for residence, commerce, agriculture, including ponds; dwelling units; stalls and shops; secondary structures, such as fences, tombs, wells; trees with commercial value; etc.) and sources of income and livelihood inside the Project area are identified, measured, their owners identified, their exact location pinpointed, and their replacement costs calculated. Additionally, the severity of impact to the affected assets and the severity of impact to the livelihood and productive capacity of APs will be determined.

Land acquisition

 Refers to the process whereby an individual, household, firm or private institution is compelled by a public agency to alienate all or part of the land it owns or possesses to the ownership and possession of that agency for public purposes in return for compensation at replacement costs.

Rehabilitation

 This refers to additional support provided to APs losing productive assets, incomes, employment or sources of living, to supplement payment of compensation for acquired assets, in order to achieve, at a minimum, full restoration of living standards and quality of life.

Relocation

- This is the physical relocation of an AP from her/his pre-project place of residence and/or business.

Resettlement and Ethnic - Minorities Development Plan (REMDP)

 A plan for resettlement of affected population including ethnic minority population, combining the resettlement plan with specific ethnic minority concerns and cultural sensitivity for the specific needs of the ethnic minority groups.

Replacement cost

- The amount needed to replace an affected asset net of transaction costs such as administrative charges, taxes, registration and titling costs.

Replacement Cost Study

- This refers to the process involved in determining replacement costs of affected assets based on empirical data.

Resettlement

 All direct economic and social losses resulting from involuntary land acquisition and/or involuntary restrictions on land use or on access to legally designated parks and protected areas, together with the consequent compensatory and remedial measures.

Natural Habitat

Land and water areas where the biological communities are formed largely by native plant and animal species, and where human activity has not essentially modified the area's primary ecological functions

Resettlement Plan (RP)

 This is a time-bound action plan with budget setting out compensation and resettlement strategies, objectives, entitlement, actions, responsibilities, monitoring and evaluation.

Severely affected households

- This refers to affected households who will (i) lose 10% or more of their total productive land and/or assets generating income, and/or (ii) have to relocate.

Stakeholders

 Individuals, groups, or institutions that have an interest or stake in the outcome of a project. The term also applies to those potentially affected by a project. Stakeholders include land users, country, regional and local governments, implementing agencies, project executing agencies, groups contracted to conduct project activities at various stages of the project, and other groups in the civil society which may have an interest in the project.

Vulnerable groups

These are distinct groups of people who might suffer disproportionately or face the risk of being further marginalized by the effects of resettlement and specifically include: (i) single-female headed households with dependents, (ii) disabled household heads, (iii) households falling under the national poverty standard, (iv) children and the elderly households who are landless and with no other means of support; (v) ethnic minority households who are severely affected by project.

Note:

(i) In this report, "\$" refers to US dollars.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1. Asian Development Bank (ADB) has provided support to implement Basic Infrastructure for Inclusive Growth in the Northeastern Provinces Sector Project in 04 provinces namely Lang Son, Bac Kan, Cao Bang and Ha Giang. The sample subproject in Cao Bang province is "Construction of water supply system in Phu Ngoc commune and Xuan Hoa town, Ha Quang district, Cao Bang province". With the design capacity of 2.000 m3/day, upon completion, the subproject will provide domestic water for approximately 2,403 households with 9,678 people in Phu Ngoc commune and Xuan Hoa town to 2030.
- 2. **Scope of impact**: The subproject will cause impact to 06 households with 26 people in Phu Ngoc commune and Xuan Hoa town, Ha Quang district, Cao Bang province. Out of six affected households, there are five HHs belonging to ethnic minority group of Tay and one HH belonging to Kinh ethnicity. The subproject will acquire total 7,950m2 of land, including 1,000 m2 of annual crop land, 800 m2 of aquaculture land, 6,150 m2 of production forest land. The subproject also affects 400 m2 of rice and 300 eucalyptus trees. There is no severely AHs and there are 5 vulnerable AHs by subproject.
- 3. **Legal and policy framework:** The Resettlement and Ethnic Minorities Development Framework of the project has been prepared based on policies and laws of Vietnam Government, policies of Cao Bang province and ADB's safeguard policy statement (SPS 2009) on Involuntary Resettlement (IR) and Indigenous Peoples (IP). The overall objective of these-above mentioned policies is to ensure that all people, including ethnic minority people affected by the subproject shall (i) improve or at least restore their living standards to at least pre-Project levels; (ii) receive appropriate culturally socio-economic benefits; (iii) not be negatively affected by the subproject; and (iv) actively participate in projects that have impacts on them.
- 4. **Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM):** In order to ensure that all APs' grievances and complaints on any aspect of land acquisition, compensation and resettlement are addressed in a timely and satisfactory manner and APs can send their complaints in the most satisfactory and convenient way, a well-defined grievance redress mechanism is established in this REMDP. All APs can send any questions to implementation agencies about their rights in relation with entitlement of compensation, compensation policy, rates, land acquisition, resettlement, allowance and income restoration. Furthermore, APs will not be ordered to pay any fee during the grievance and complaints at any level of trial and court. Complaints will pass through 3 stages before they could be elevated to a court of law as a last solution.
- 5. Information disclosure, Community consultation and participation: Community consultation, information disclosure, discussion meetings at village level with APs and local officials have been carried out during the REMDP preparation. Full consultations with the ethnic minority groups have also been carried out during subproject preparation and REMDP preparation. Project policies, options for compensation, resettlement, and ethnic minority development plan and income restoration were discussed during the meetings. Concerns and proposals raised by the affected persons were elicited and incorporated into the REMDP. The grievance mechanism is designed and disclosed to people to ensure that APs' concerns and grievances are addressed and resolved in a timely, culturally appropriate and satisfactory manner. APs will be made fully aware of their rights verbally and in writing during consultation, survey, and at the time of compensation.

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¹ Details of the Community Consultations meetings are presented in Section B: Public Consultation and Participations and in paragraphs 77-78 of the main report and sample minute of the Community Consultations meeting for one commune are included in Annex 1.

- 6. **Gender and Ethnic minority issues**: Most population in the subproject area are ethnic minority people (89.6% in Phu Ngoc commune and 97.9% in Xuan Hoa town, 97.3% in Ha Quang district) who belong to groups of Tay, Nung, Dao, H'Mong, Kinh. Five out of six HHs affected by subproject are ethnic minority people. Both positive and negative impacts caused by the subproject have been identified such as land acquisition during construction phase, dust, noise and transport issues, which, however, these impacts will be mitigated with mitigation measures. Gender issues still persist in the subproject area such as position of the women in family and community, their limited participation in decision-making process. The illiteracy rate is higher among women than men. A gender action plan has been prepared to address the issues related to women and to enhance their social position in the subproject area.
- 7. **Institutional Arrangements**: Cao Bang Provincial People's Committee as the Executing Agency will allocate a provincial budget and direct its departments and district authorities to implement land acquisition as scheduled. Department of Planning and Investment (DPI) as the project owner is responsible for overall management and coordination of project implementation. A Project Management Unit (PMU) will be established under each DPI as Implementing Agency to manage and implement the subproject and will ensure that compensation and assistance are administered according to the provisions of this REMDP. A District Resettlement Committee or Land Fund Development Center (DRC/LFDC) with representatives from affected persons (APs), will be established to implement the REMDP.
- 8. **Implementation schedule**: This REMDP will be implemented before commencement of civil works. It is expected that land acquisition will be carried out during 2017and 2018.
- 9. **Monitoring and evaluation**: The subproject is under the Category B in accordance with resettlement and ethnic minority targets, thus external monitoring consultant is not required. During resettlement implementation, Cao Bang PMU will conduct internal monitoring and evaluation to ensure the implementation of the REMDP in compliance with ADB safeguard policy.
- 10. **Total resettlement cost:** Total estimated cost, including management cost and contingency, is estimated at VND 851,249,619 (equivalent to US\$ 38,087.76). This cost will be paid from Cao Bang provincial budget.

I. SUBPROJECT DESCRIPTION

A. Background

11. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is planning to fund the Basic Infrastructure for Inclusive Growth in the Northeastern Provinces Sector Project (Project). The Project will improve the economic competitiveness of the four north-eastern provinces (FNEP) of Bac Kan, Cao Bang, Ha Giang, and Lang Son. The Project will: (i) enhance FNEP connectivity by developing critical transport infrastructure; (ii) improve rural water supply; (iii) improve agricultural and rural infrastructure for value chains in the four provinces; and (iv) Decentralised Public Asset Management Processes Implemented. The Project will help to integrate the FNEP into national and subregional frameworks including the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS), and the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC). It is consistent with ADB's Country Partnership Strategy (CPS) 2012–2015. Cao Bang is one of four north-eastern provinces under the FNEP and the sample project here is "Construction of water supply system in Phu Ngoc commune and Xuan Hoa town, Ha Quang district, Cao Bang province".

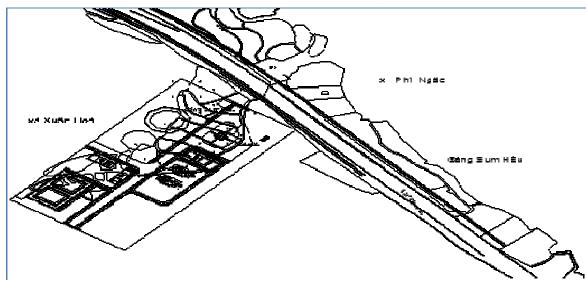


Figure 1: Geographical map of subproject area

B. Civil work items to be commenced

- 12. According to the preliminary design, the Subproject will have the following items:
 - i. Construction of pumping station and pipeline carrying water to treatment plant.
 - ii. Construction of water treatment plant
 - iii. Construction of pipeline carrying water from treatment plant to households.
- 13. Locations of subproject items are presented in the Figure below

Figure 2: Locations of subproject items



- 14. Upon completion, the Subproject will supply clean water for domestic use and production for 2,403 households with 9,678 people and 40 locally based organization, administrative units in Phu Ngoc commune and Xuan Hoa town to 2030.
- 15. The subproject will help local people access sanitary and hygienic water source that meets standards of Ministry of Health, which contributes to fulfillment of National Targets on clean water usage rate.
- 16. Subproject's objectives:
- 17. Improve environmental condition and living quality to the community in subproject area by providing water for domestic use, production on daily basis to households. The clean water supply system will replace the current water source that did not meet standards of Ministry of Health.
- 18. Protect people's health, reduce the rate of diseases originated from polluted domestic water source.
- 19. Raise awareness of public healthcare and environmental sanitation and protection.
- 20. Help to improve socio-economic condition and living standards of local people by supplying water that meets standards.

C. Mitigation measures

- 21. To minimize land acquisition and resettlement impacts caused to local people, the following mitigation measures will be applied: Construct treatment plant and pumping station at reasonable location to minimize impacts on house and structures of households. Water pipeline will be installed underground along transport routes, on public land to avoid impacts on households' land.
- 22. Mitigation measures include:
- 23. Pumping station and treatment plan are located on vacant land with no house or structure of households.
- 24. Pipelines are placed along transport routes on public land.
- 25. Water distribution pipeline network will be installed underground and placement locations will be quickly recovered.
- 26. Modern construction method is applied to minimize impact to households in the region during construction phase.

- 27. Local people will be recruited as workers during construction phase to create job opportunities, generate income and minimize potential social impacts.
- 28. During preliminary inventory and socio-economic survey in preparation for REMDP, APs are notified in advance about land acquisition progress so that they will not grow tree or construct houses or structures within the locations that are planned to be acquired for construction.

D. Objectives of Resettlement and Ethnic Minorities Development Plan

- 29. The subproject will have both positive and negative impacts on local people. However, the latter are just minor when there are only 06 households affected by the subproject. There is neither household severely affected nor house and structure impacted by the subproject. REMDP guarantees that subprojects shall (i) avoid involuntary resettlement wherever possible; (ii) minimize involuntary resettlement with design and implementation measures; (iii) improve or at least restore livelihood of all APs to the rate prior to the project and (iv) improve living standards of the poor and vulnerable groups.
- 30. Further, this document develops a roadmap for affected Ems in the subproject's area. The objective is to design and implement subproject in a way that fosters full respect for EMs' identity, dignity, human rights, livelihood systems, and cultural uniqueness as defined by the EMs themselves so that they (i) receive culturally appropriate social and economic benefits, (ii) do not suffer adverse impacts as a result of projects, and (iii) can participate actively in projects that affect them.
- 31. This REMDP is the guiding document that identifies the key issues to address in reconciling the requirements of ADB's SPS (2009) on Involuntary Resettlement and Indigenous Peoples Policies with National and Provincial Government Policies. Concerns of people for involuntary resettlement and ethnic minorities have been incorporated into the REMDP that governs future subproject design, implementation, and monitoring. This REMDP includes key issues as follows: (i) Policy and procedural guidelines for asset acquisition, compensation, resettlement, and strategies that will help ensure full restoration of the AH's livelihood and standard of living; (ii) Identification of HHs and communities to be adversely affected by the subproject, what asset will be compensated and poverty reduction measures; (iii) A plan on how AHs will be involved in the various stages of the Project, including resolution of grievances; (iv) An estimate budget for REMDP implementation; and (v) A monitoring mechanism on resettlement implementation for the subproject.
- 32. The REMDP is based on the subproject's basic design. The basic design is required to prepare feasibility study of the subproject which will be approved by Cao Bang PPC. The summary of the REMDP is included in the feasibility study to ensure the allocation of government counterpart funds for the subproject's implementation. The REMDP will be updated following detailed technical design approved by the PPC, DMS result and replacement cost survey.

II. PROJECT IMPACTS

A. Survey process

- 33. **The social impact assessment** (SIA) was conducted in the communes affected by the subproject. The SIA comprised of census and inventory of loss (IOL) for all AHs and socioeconomic survey (SES) of stakeholders within the subproject area. Additionally, a rapid replacement cost study (RCS) was also carried out.
- 34. **An Inventory of losses** was prepared for all affected households based on the preliminary design. Agricultural land to be acquired has been identified through referencing of commune cadastral records. Affected trees and crops have been determined by actual measurement and counting. The amounts indicated for area of land loss and affected trees/crops will be validated during the DMS that will be done when detailed technical design approved.
- 35. **Socioeconomic survey**: The SES was conducted by collecting socioeconomic information of affected households (including demographic characteristics of AHs, their income and livelihood, ethnic composition, education levels and on their concerns) through face to face interviews. The survey also collected statistical data from the Province, District and Communes and from the Provincial and District publications including the annual socioeconomic reports of communes/town.
- 36. **Replacement cost study**: The purpose of the RCS was to collect information on the market prices of land and non-land assets in the subproject area, in order to establish the required budget for compensation of APs at current market values. In future, during the detailed measurement survey, a replacement cost study will be carried out by an independently qualified and experienced appraiser to determine the unit prices for individual types of asset affected by subproject and submitted to PPC for approval. Such unit prices will be the basis for calculating compensation packages for AHs.
- 37. *Group discussion and consultation*: In addition to surveys, group discussions are organized with affected and non-affected households in the project area with participation representatives of Woman's Union, Veteran Association, Youth Union and Father Front Land. Meetings are to disseminate information, discuss and consult about scope of impacts, entitlement, IOL implementation progress and grievance redress activities related to the Subproject. Group discussions placing focus on vulnerable groups such as poor people, ethnic minorities people and women have also been organized.

B. Permanent impacts

- 38. Impacts caused to households: The subproject will cause impacts to 06 households with 26 people as follows:
 - No household is severely affected (losing 10% or more of production land)
 - Five out of six affected HHs are all ethnic minority HHs
 - Subproject will not cause impacts on house and structures.
 - No HH has to be relocateed.
- 39. Impacts on land: The subproject will acquire 7,950 m2 of land, including 1,000m2 of annual crop land, 800 m2 of aquaculture land and 6,150 m2 of production forest land. Detailed impacts on land in communes/town are presented in Table 1.
- 40. Impacts on house and structure: No house or structure is affected by construction of the subproject.
- 41. Impacts on trees and crops: The subproject will affect 300 eucalyptus trees of one HH and 400 m2 of rice land of three HHs in Phu Ngoc commune.

42. Impacts caused by the subproject are presented in the Table below:

Table 1: Summary of Subproject's impacts

No.	Commune/town	Total affected land area (m²)	Annual crop land (m²)	Aquaculture land (m²)	Production forest land (m²)	Trees (tree)	Rice (m²)
1	Phu Ngoc	7,450	500	800	6.150	300	400
2	Xuan Hoa	500	500	-	-	-	-
	Total	7,950	1.000	800	6.150	300	400

Source: Results of SES and IOL, October 2016

C. Temporary impacts

43. The subproject will possibly cause temporary impact on 11,870m2 of land. Most temporarily affected area is transport land and public land. Items causing temporary land loss include: temporary access road to pumping station, water treatment plan, pipeline, material storage, dump site and workers' camp. However, to ensure that thees temporary impacts are minimized, the following provisions will be included in the contract of contractor: (i) the contractor has to pay rent for temporary acquired land for construction purpose based on negotiation and consensus of households; (ii) To the largest extent as possible, only unused land will be used for construction site; (iii) Temporarily used land will be restored or improved to its pre-subproject condition. Given such above mentioned mitigation measures, the other temporary impacts will be insignificant.

D. Ownership status of households

44. Verification of land use right certificate (LURC) conducted in 02 affected commune/town reveals that at the time of land preliminary inventory, 06 HHs affected by the subproject have LURC.

E. Vulnerable households and ethnic minorities households

45. Five households affected by the subproject all belong to Tay ethnic minorities group all of them are not severely AHs then they are not clasiffied as vulnerable AHs..

III. SOCIO-ECONOMIC OVERVIEW

A. Socio-economic conditions in the subproject area

- 46. Cao Bang is a mountainous province located in the Northeast region of Vietnam. It borders with Lang Son and Bac Kan provinces in the South and the Southwest, borders with Ha Giang province in the West, and borders with Quang Tay province, China in the North and West.
- 47. Cao Bang has natural area of 6,703.42 km2 and 333 km of border road with China. The province has forest land area accounting for 78.6% of the total area of the province. Cao Bang province is divided into 12 administrative Units of district level and one town with total population of 522,365 people (in 2015) in which 77% of the total population is living in rural area.
- 48. There are about 20 ethnic minority groups living in Cao Bang province, including: Tay (41%), Nung (31.3%), Dao (10.1%), H'Mông (10.1%), Kinh (5.8%), San Chi (1.4%) and others (0.75%).

- 49. Ha Quang district is located in the North of Cao Bang province, bordering with China. Total natural area of the district is 45,357.5 ha, including 7,831.2 ha of agriculture land and 34,408 ha of forest land. The district has 18 administrative units and one town with total population of 34,335 people (in 2015).
- 50. Land resources: Ha Quang district has 7,821.64 ha of agriculture production land, accounting for 17.58%. Forest land area accounts for vast majority area with 34,402.26 ha, accounting for 77.3%. However, the forest land area is mainly protection forest land area with low economic value. Detailed use of land in Ha Quang district is presented in the Table below.

Table 2: Percentage of land use in Ha Quang district

No.	Types of land	Unit	Area	Percentage %
Tota	l land area	ha	44,503.95	100.00
ı	Agriculture land	ha	42,253.34	94.94
1	Agriculture production land	ha	7,821.64	17.58
1.1	Annual crop land	ha	7,642.88	17.17
1.2	Rice land	ha	1,481.39	3.33
1.3	Other crop land	ha	6,161.49	13.84
1.4	Perennial crop land	ha	178.76	0.40
2	Forest land	ha	34,402.26	77.30
2.1	Production forest land	ha	5,953.66	13.38
2.2	Protection forest land	ha	27,114.51	60.93
2.3	Primary forest	ha	1,334.09	3.00
3	Aquaculture land	ha	29.42	0.07
4	Other agriculture land	ha	0.03	0.00
II	Non-agriculture land	ha	2,250.61	5.06

Source: Result of SES and IOL, October 2016

- 51. Geographical location and climate: Ha Quang is a northern mountainous district that has elevation of 600-1000 m to the sea level. Though forest land accounts for 77.3% of its area. The local climate regime is tropical monsoon with two seasons: wet season from May to September when precipitation accounts for 75-85% of annual precipitation, and dry season from November to April next year with average temperature of 210C which causes shortage of water for domestic use and agriculture production in dry season.
- 52. Population and ethnicity: the district's population is 34,335 people. Ha Quang district is home to about 10 ethnic groups, including: Nung (53.25%), Tay (29.7%), H'Mông (12.5%), Kinh (2.66%), Dao (2.14%) and a small proportion of other ethnicity.
- 53. Poverty: Ha Quang is one of 64 poor districts according to Resolution 30a/2008/NQ-CP approving fast and sustainable poverty reduction for the poorest districts. According to statistics in 2016, following multidimensional poverty line, Ha Quang has 57.8% of its population suffering poverty and 8% is ranked at threshold line.
- 54. Education: In the whole Ha Quang district, there are 59 schools, including 19 kindergartens, 18 primary schools, 01 primary- secondary school, 16 secondary schools (in which there are two day-boarding schools for ethnic minority children secondary school), one boarding high school, three high schools, one vocational school with total number of 500 classes, 8,518 pupils and nearly 1,000 teachers and staffs. In 2015, the percentage of children going school reached 98.59%; 100% of kindergarten children were attended two sessions/day; children

under the age of five years attending kindergarten school reached 99.8%; 100% of children was periodically checked health status two times/year; proportion of malnutrition children under five years was reduced to 1.4% and proportion of underweight children was reduced to 4.0 %.

B. Socio-economic condition in the affected communes/town

55. Demographic: Total population in two subproject affected commune/town is 7,679 under 1,921 HHs and most of them are ethnic minority people. Population and ethnicity status in Phung Ngoc commune and Xuan Hoa town are presented in the Table below:

Table 3. Population and ethnic groups in the subproject's area

	Phu Ngo	c commune	Xuan	Hoa town
	Total	Percentage %	Total	Percentage %
Population	3,321	100	4,358	100
Gender				
Male	1,616	48.66	2,099	48.16
Female	1,705	51.34	2,259	51.84
Ethnic groups				
Kinh	345	10.39	92	2.11
Tay	2,415	72.72	3,120	71.59
Nung	397	11.95	1,068	24.51
Dao	13	0.39	1	0.02
H'Mông	149	4.49	71	1.63
Other	2	0.06	6	0.14
Village/residen tial group		17	17	
Total number of HHs 857		857	1064	

Source: Results of SES and IOL, October 2016

- 56. Ethnic minority groups: Nung and Tay are two ethnic minority groups, accounting for vast majority of population in subproject affected commune/town. Detail of ethnic minority groups in the subproject area is presented in Table 3.
- 57. Poverty: Phu Ngoc commune and Xuan Hoa town have the same poverty rate. However, number of HHs and poverty rate of Kinh people are quite different from ethnic minority people. Detailed poverty rate in the subproject affected commune/town is presented in Table 4 below.

Table 4. Poverty rate in the subproject's area

E 41	Phu l	Ngoc commu	ine	Xuan Hoa town		
Ethnic groups	Number of HHs	Poor HHs	Percenta ge %	Number of HHs	Poor HHs	Percentag e %
Kinh	95	2	2.11	23	1	4.35
Tay	630	242	38.41	776	271	34.92
Nung	100	32	32.00	250	88	35.20
H' Mông	32	32	100	15	15	100
Total	857	308	35.94	1,064	375	35.24

Source: Results of SES and IOL, October 2016

C. Socio-economic features of affected HHs

58. Demographic characteristics: The subproject will affect six HHs with 26 persons in which one Kinh HH and five Tay HHs. Detailed statistic of demographic characteristics of affected HHs is presented in the Table 5 below:

Table 5: Demographic characteristics of affected HHs

			By gender		By age		Ethnic groups	
Commune/town	HHs	Number of persons	Male	Female	Below 15 years old	Over 15 years old	Kinh	Тау
Phu Ngoc	5	22	12	10	2	18	2	20
Xuan Hoa	1	4	2	2	-	4	-	4
Total	6	26	14	12	2	22	2	24

Source: Results of SES and IOL, October 2016

59. Education: Most household heads having land acquired by the subproject graduate from secondary school in which there is one household head graduating from high school. Number of subproject affected persons graduating from secondary school are 16, accounting for 61.5%. Two persons under the age of 15 years are attending school and there is no illiterate person. Detailed statistic on education level of subproject affected persons is presented in the Table 6 below.

Table 6. Education level of affected household

Education level	Household head	Percentage (%)	Affected persons	Percentage (%)
Illiterate	-	-	-	-
Graduating from primary school	-	-	6	23.1
Graduating from secondary school	5	88.3	16	61.5
Graduating from high school	1	16.7	3	11.5
Vocational school/college	-	-	1	3.9
University and postgraduate	-	-	-	-
Total	6	100.0	26	100.0

Source: SES and IOL, October 2016

- 60. Occupation and income: Four subproject affected HHs have main income and occupation from agriculture. One HH has main income from business and one HH has main income from salary. However, growing rice and livestock creates stable revenue for the HHs. Annual average income is VND 39 million/HH/year.
- 61. Vulnerable HHs: there are five ethnic minority HHs and under preferential treatment policy, so they are under vulnerable groups.
- 62. Social and cultural characteristic of ethnic minority people: village head is the elderly person with high prestige and important role in overall activities. Each village has its own community house or house of village head will be used as a community house for general activities. Community house is often the stilt house structured by wooden walls with a total area of over 100m2. Now, modern community house is not made of wood as before, on the contrary, it is constructed by sand and cement (grade 4 house). Each ethnic minority community has its own characteristics, such as costumes, customs and distinct habit. Unlike before, ethnic minority

people only wear their traditional costumes on the holidays and the traditional festivals. Festivals and customs of ethnic minority community are now more and more simple with smaller scale than before. In addition, man has a higher role in his family than women in production and decision making.

- 63. Gender issue: According to socio-economic survey in October 2016, both men and women share outdoor and indoor works such as farming, looking after children, house cleaning, and etc. Even they are more equal in family decision-making.
- 64. Safe water source is very important for the improvement of health and sanitation for women and children. It means that women and children will need more water for domestic use and personal hygiene practices. Providing enough clean water will mitigate risk of disease caused by water source.
- 65. Gender analysis: The immediate benefit of the subproject is to address the urgent and pressing need of women and children on safe and adequate water supply. The subproject will also help enhance the health, sanitation and environmental conditions for women and children for the purpose of poverty reduction and sustainable development. During the design and implementation process of the subproject, it needs to have assistance policy for women and children.
- 66. Along with the construction of the potable water supply facility, women and children should have opportunities to raise their awareness/knowledge on health and sanitation and disease.
- 67. The participation of women in decision-making and giving their opinion on implementation of REMDP: Women's Union can participate in implementation and supervision of the implementation of REMDP.

D. Social impact assessment

- 68. **Potential negative project impacts**. A social impact assessment (SIA) has been conducted through socio-economic survey and Inventory of loss (IOL) and consultation to identify both positive and negative impacts caused by the subproject, and measures of negative impact mitigation and enhancing subproject benefits to local people. Results of SIA show that land acquisition is insignificant so that it does not much impact on incomes and livelihoods of APs including EMs. Because education level and skill of ethnic minority labor in the subproject's area are limited, workers from other regions, not local people will grasp new job opportunities in the area during the subproject implementation. Moreover, during the construction process, workers coming from other regions may cause risks of disease transmission to ethnic minority people, especially women such as sexually transmitted infections like HIV and also social evils like drugs.
- 69. The construction of the subproject, especially land acquisition may cause negative impacts on ethnic minority people in general and ethnic minority women in particular. However, according to preliminary survey, land acquisition is insignificant and will not affect people's living. Moreover, mitigation measures will be carried out through technical design, compensation and resettlement. In addition, during the construction process, environmental pollution such as dust, construction waste and noise may affect people and the impacts can be mitigated through mitigation measures proposed through EMP.
- 70. **Expected Positive impacts**. The subproject will bring a lot of positive effects to local people in general and to EM women in particular. The expected positive impacts are as follows:
 - (i) To provide clean water for women and children; to improve health, sanitary and hygienic conditions for women and children with purpose of sustainable poverty reduction.

- (ii) To create new job opportunities for local people to increase their income, especially poor ethnic minority women and/or vulnerable people in subprojects;
- (iii) To provide opportunities to improve the status of women, especially ethnic minority women and enhance their participation in community activities through gender action plan.
- (iv) To contribute to poverty reduction in the subproject's communes

E. Measures taken to minimize the negative impacts

- 71. In order to mitigate negative impacts on local peoples including EM people, at all stages of the project, the project staff will disseminate project information to and conduct consultations with ethnic minorities to ensure that EM people get maximum benefit from the subproject outcomes in a culturally appropriate manner. During the construction process, the contractor should use dust and noise mitigation measures and restore quality of road if construction vehicles cause damage to the road. The contractor also needs to use measures of disseminating and preventing risks of sexually transmitted infection and discouraging or preventing social evils.
- 72. Action plan for ethnic minority people: based on the analysis above, a simple action plan is necessary for affected ethnic minority people to facilitate them participating in the subproject implementation process. The plan will create new opportunities for ethnic minority people, increase income and reduce the burden for them and improve their social position in the subproject's area. Objectives of the plan are as follows:
 - (i) Local contractors are encouraged to use local labor (both male and female), especially ethnic minority people, for construction/improvement. Job opportunities should be prioritized for members of affected ethnic minority HHs (if any);
 - (ii) Local contractors may not under any circumstances use child labor;
 - (iii) Ethnic minority communities are consulted about design of all work items of the project;
 - (iv) Training on prevention of HIV/AIDS for ethnic minority communities as part of the gender action plan implementation;
 - (v) Provide training courses on cultivation and livestock and poultry rearing techniques which will be combined and implemented in accordance with the gender action plan;
 - (vi) Training courses on policy of ADB on ethnic minority people for excecuting agencies at provincial level and local agencies (PMU and the stakeholders) will be carried out by the LIC;
 - (vii) At least, one member of the communal supervision board will be the preventative of ethnic minority people.

IV. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION AND PUBLIC CONSULTATION

A. Information dissemination

- 73. In compliance with the ADB requirements, the PMU will assist the DRC/LFDC in publicly disseminating the final REMDP as approved by the PPC and ADB. The subproject information booklet will be made available in the Vietnamese language and EM language (if needed).
- 74. APs are notified in advance of resettlement activities, including community meetings to disseminate subproject information about the scope of the subproject, work alignment plan, site clearance plan and construction plan. They are also involved in public meetings to discuss (i) detailed measurement survey results; (ii) lists of eligible APs and their entitlements; (iii) compensation rates and amounts, (iv) payment of compensation and other assistance; and (v) the grievance redress mechanism.

75. This REMDP will be uploaded in ADB websites in both English and Vietnamese and disclosed to the EMs through commune and village meetings. The staff of CPC and mass organizations will translate into EM language (if needed) and disseminate the information to the EMs through loud speakers and other oral communication means in traditional market days as well as in public meetings. Organized consultation meetings with the stakeholders are presented in Table 6 below.

B. Public Consultation and Participation

- 76. Public consultations and community participation is encouraged in all the project cycle, including planning, designing, implementing, and monitoring. The objective of the Public Consultation and Participation is to develop and maintain avenues of communication between the Project and different stakeholders including APs to ensure that their views and concerns are incorporated into project preparation and implementation with the objectives of reducing or offsetting negative impacts and enhancing benefits from the Project. Feedback from consultations plays an important role in the planning process, leading to the formulation of mitigation measures and compensation plans for project-affected communities, and for environmental mitigation measures.
- 77. The aims of Public Consultation and Participation are to
 - (i) Pactivities, and potential impacts that affect them, and to provide an opportunity for their feedback on the subproject;
 - (ii) Explore a range of options for minimizing subproject negative impacts, and for those impacts that cannot be avoided, explore the range of options for, and ensure APs participation in the design of mitigation measures;
 - (iii) Gather information about the needs and priorities of APs as well as their feedback on proposed resettlement and compensation policies, options and activities;
 - (iv) Obtain the cooperation, participation and feedback of APs on activities to be undertaken in resettlement planning and implementation, in particular on the location for resettlement, planning and design of housing (if necessary), land and community facilities, and the development and implementation of the livelihood program to affect livelihood restoration and development;
 - (v) Provide a mechanism for continued dialogue, raising of concerns and monitoring of implementation; and
 - (vi) Exploring options for the co-management of natural resources through participatory approaches aimed at sustainable use and conservation.
 - (vii) The method of consultation and participation has to ensure two-way exchange of information between the affected community and the project in accordance with the traditional culture of the locality and EMs as well, taking into account gender issues, social justice and the principle of equality.
- 78. Consultation and participation during the REMDP preparation. 02 community consultation meetings were conducted with participation of local authorities, mass organizations and APs in communes in April 2017. The objective of the consultation meetings was to provide information, on the subproject to local authorities, mass organizations, APs and non-APs, and discuss and document their comments on subproject issues. Specifically, the following subjects were presented and discussed:
 - (i) Subproject description: location, size and scope of impacts;
 - (ii) The subproject's implementation plan;
 - (iii) The Sub-Project's policies in terms of land acquisition, compensation and resettlement assistance as well as eligibility criteria;

- (iv) The Sub-Project's grievance redress mechanism; and
- (v) Issues related to EMs, gender, restoration of incomes, livelihood and other support policies
- 79. Results from observations and consultation meetings with local authority, organizations and affected people are summarized as follows:
- (i) Affected and non-affected people support and agree with the subproject and they hope that the subproject will be implemented soon;
- (ii) During the meetings, the potential impacts of the subproject in terms of land acquisition were duly discussed with APs whose lands and assets will be affected; All agreed that the impact of subproject is marginal however all impacts on the assets should be compensated and assisted;
- (iii) The APs agreed with the subproject's principle on compensation and resettlement assistance:
- (iv) During the detailed design phase, it is necessary to consult with communal authority and local people:
- (v) It was noted that the environmental impacts of the subproject during construction are inevitable, but these can be minimized with the proposed mitigation measures in the EMP;
- (vi) It is necessary to have proper construction method especially for the road section running through residential area. During the construction period, the traffic should be controlled so that the disturbances to transportation, production and business of local people as well as enterprises will be avoided.
- (vii) Before construction, it needs to check status of houses near road to avoid disputes about the causes of cracking houses;
- (viii) It needs to fully consult women and ethnic minority people during the processes of implementation, management and monitoring of REMDP;
- (ix) APs proposed that the compensation payment should be paid at one time and before the start of construction. The APs also mentioned that the issues on the quality of the subproject should be considered and that they are willing to be representative in the Community Monitoring Board during subproject construction;
- (x) Complaints of APs should be resolved timely and successfully.

Table 7: Summary of community consultation meetings

No.	Commune/ town	Location	Participants	Number of participants	Number of participati ng ethnic minority persons	Number of participating women
1	Phu Ngoc	CPC	Representative s of CPC, Unions and affected HHs	11	11	2
2	Xuan Hoa	TPC	Representative s of CPC, Unions and affected HHs	9	8	3

Source: Community consultation meetings in April 2017

- 80. Consultation and participation during REMDP implementation. During the implementation phase, the PMU coordinates with compensation, assistance and resettlement board and Commune PC to disseminate subproject information (translated into local language if necessary) using various media such as organizing seminars, presentations, and public meetings for which subproject APs and beneficiaries are invited. The PMU will deliver the Project Information Brochure (PIB) and other documents of the subproject to the APs.
- 81. Local people, especially affected persons have right to work for the subproject as specified in the Gender Action Plan and in this REMDP. All communities have rights to monitor not only the construction of the subproject but also the implementation of the REMDP and their representatives should be members of the Community Monitoring Board of the commune to monitor the implementation process. They can make grievance if they find any illegal actions or things they disagree as specified in Section V.

V. GRIEVANCE REDRESS MECHANISM

- 82. In order to ensure that all APs' grievances and complaints on any aspect of land acquisition, compensation and resettlement are addressed in a timely and satisfactory manner, and that all possible avenues are available to APs to air their grievances, a well-defined grievance redress mechanism needs to be established. All APs can send any questions to implementation agencies about their rights in relation with entitlement of compensation, compensation policy, rates, land acquisition, resettlement, allowance and income restoration. Furthermore, APs will not be ordered to pay any fee from all administrative and legal fees that might be incurred in the resolution of grievance and complaints at any level of trial and court. Grievances redress mechanism of the project will be followed Law on complaint No. 02/2011/QH13 and regulation on grievance at Government Decree 75/2012/NĐ-CP dated 20/11/2012.Complaints will pass through 3 stages before they could be elevated to a court of law as a last resort.
- 83. First Stage, Commune People's Committee: : If a household or individual has any complaint he/she can submit a complaint in written or verbal form to the representative of the CPC-community monitoring board (usually the Deputy Chairman of the commune/town). The CPC will work with PMU to solve complaints and a representative PMU will respond in written form to the complainant. The CPC, as a whole body will meet personally with the aggrieved affected household and will have 30 days and a maximum of 60 days after the lodging of the complaint to resolve the complaint, however, depending upon whether it is a complicated case or case comes from a remote area. The CPC secretariat is responsible for documenting and keeping file of all complaints that it handles.
- 84. Second Stage, District People's Committee: If after 30 days or 45 days (in remote areas) the aggrieved affected household does not hear from the CPC, or if the affected household is not satisfied with the decision taken on his/her complaint, the affected household may bring the case, either in writing, to any member of the DPC. The DPC in turn will have 30 days or a maximum of 70 days after the lodging of the complaint to resolve the case, however, depending on whether the case is complicated or in remote area. The DPC is responsible for documenting and keeping file of all complaints that it handles and will inform the District Resettlement Committee (DRC) of any decision made and the DRC is responsible for supporting DPC to resolve AH's complaint. The DPC must ensure that the complainant is notified of the decision made.
- 85. Third Stage, Provincial People's Committee: If after 30 days or 45 days (in remote area) the aggrieved affected household does not hear from the DPC, or if the affected household is not satisfied with the decision made on his/her complaint, the affected household may bring the case,

either in writing, to any member of the PPC. The PPC has 30 days or a maximum of 70 days to resolve the complaint to the satisfaction of all concerned. However, depending if the case is complicated or from a remote area The PPC is responsible for maintaining records of complaints received, action taken and outcomes.

- 86. Final Stage, the Court of Law Arbitrates: If efforts to resolve disputes using the grievance procedures remain unresolved or unsatisfactory, after a period of thirty days, complainants have the right to bring the case to a Court of law for adjudication. The decision of the Court is binding on all parties
- 87. The grievance redress mechanism has been disclosed to APs during REMDP preparation and will be continuously disseminated to people during REMDP implementation.

VI. LEGAL AND POLICY FRAMEWORK

88. The legal and policy framework for dealing with the resettlement impacts of the subproject is given based on relevant policies and laws of Viet Nam and the ADB's Involuntary Resettlement Policy (SPS 2009). In this section, the relevant policies and laws of Vietnam, including policies of Cao Bang Province, and policies of ADB are outlined, then if difference between these policies (of Vietnam and of ADB) exist, reconciliation is done to establish policies and principles to be applied under this subproject.

A. ADB Policies

- 89. **Involuntary Resettlement**. The main objectives of ADB's Policy on Involuntary Resettlement is to avoid or minimize the adverse impacts on people, HHs, businesses and others in the implementation of development project. Where resettlement is not avoidable, the involuntary resettlement must be minimized by exploring project and design alternatives, and enhance or at least restore the living standards of the affected persons to at least their pre-project levels. The SPS June 2009 also stresses on a new objective of improving the standards of living of the displaced poor and other vulnerable groups. The policy applies to full or partial, permanent or temporary physical and economic displacement resulting from (i) involuntary acquisition of land, or (ii) involuntary restrictions on land use or on access to legally designated parks and protected areas. Resettlement is considered involuntary when displaced individuals or communities do not have the right to refuse land acquisition those results in displacement.
- 90. **Indigenous Peoples** (IP)/ Ethnic Minorities (EMs). The main objectives of ADB's IP safeguards policy under the SPS 2009 are to: (i) avoid adverse impacts of projects on the environment and affected persons, where possible; (ii) minimize, mitigate, and/or compensate for adverse project impacts on the environment and affected persons when avoidance is not possible; and (iii) assist in strengthening country safeguard systems and develop the capacity to manage environmental and social risks. The policy is triggered if a subproject directly or indirectly affects the dignity, human rights, livelihood systems, or culture of EMs or affects the territories or natural or cultural resources that EMs own, use, occupy, or claim as their ancestral domain. Should ADB projects affect EMs, a set of general policy requirements are observed to maintain, sustain, and preserve their cultural identities, practices, and habitats (SR-3 of SPS 2009). A set of special requirements are in place should projects be (i) within ancestral domains and lands and related natural resources, (ii) commercial development of cultural resources and knowledge of EMs; (iii) physical displacement from traditional or customary lands; and (iv) commercial development of natural resources within customary lands under use that would impact on livelihoods or cultural, ceremonial, or spiritual uses that define the identity and community of EMs.
- 91. The subproject will affect 03 ethnic minority households. However, basically land acquisition level is insignificant and the subproject only affect production land of few HHs. The

subproject also does not cause effect on the identity, culture and life of ethnic minorities. Ethnic minority development plan combined with resettlement plan of the subproject into a document is termed as Resettlement and Ethnic minority Development Plan.

B. National Laws on Involuntary Resettlement and Ethnic Minority

92. Compensation, Assistance and Resettlement. The Constitution of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam (2013) confirms the right of citizens to own and protect the ownership of a house. In addition, the Government has enacted a number of laws, decrees and regulations that constitute the legal framework for land acquisition, compensation, assistance and resettlement.

Reference	Date	Title	Description
45/2013/QH13	29 November 2013	Land Law	Comprehensive land administration law
47/2014/ND-CP	15 May 2014	Decree: Regulations on Compensation, Support and Resettlement upon Land Expropriation by the State	Specifies provisions for compensation and resettlement assistance
37/2014/TT- BTNMT	30 June 2014	Circular on detailed regulations on compensation, support, and resettlement upon land expropriation by the State	Guides Decree 47
44/2014/ND-CP	15 May 2014	Decree: Regulations on Land Prices	Specifies methods for land pricing and land price frameworks
43/2014/ND-CP	15 May 2014	Decree Detailing a Number of Articles of the Land Law	Provides guidelines on the implementation of the Land Law
23/2014/TT- BTNMT	19 May 2014	Circular regulating Land Use Right Certificate (LURC)	Clarifies ownership rights of land and assets
36/2014/TT- BTNMT	30 June 2014	Circular on land pricing	Guides Decree 44
494/NQ- UBTVQH13	18 May 2012	Resolution	Resolution of the National Assembly Standing Committee implementation of policies and legislation on people with meritorious service records
22/2013/QD-TTg	26 Apirl 2013	Decision	Decision of the Prime Minister on supporting people with meritorious services records in housing
02/2011/QH13	11 November 2011	Complaints Law	Regulates handling of complaints against administrative decisions or acts of state administrative agencies
75/2012/ND-CP	03 October 2012	Decree detailing a number of articles of the Law on complaints	Guides Complaint Law 02

Reference	Date	Title	Description
40/2014 / QD	19 December 2014	Decision of Cao Bang People's Committee	Issuance of a price list for land in Cao Bang province
16/2014/QĐ- UBND	24 June 2014	Decision of Cao Bang People's Committee	Promulgating unit price of house and structure on land to calculate compensation for damage when land is acquired by the State in Cao Bang province
42/2014/QÐ- UBND	19 December 2014	Decision of Cao Bang People's Committee	Promulgating regulation on compensation, assistance and resettlement when land is acquired by the State in Cao Bang province
19/2015/QÐ- UBND	15 July 2015	Decision of Cao Bang People's Committee	Promulgating unit price for affected trees and crop on land when land is acquired by the State in Cao Bang province
42/2015/QÐ- UBND	22 December 2015	Decision of Cao Bang People's Committee	Promulgating adjustment coefficient of land price to calculate specific land price in 2016 in Cao Bang province.

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- 94. Ethnic Minorities: Article 5 of the Constitution 2013 clearly indicates that (i) the State of Vietnam is the united state of the various ethnic communities co-habiting on the territory of Vietnam; (ii) All EMs are equality, solidarity, respect and mutual assistance among all nationalities, and forbids all acts of national discrimination and division; (iii) National language is Vietnamese, every ethnic community has the right to use its own language and system of writing, to preserve its national identity, and to promote its fine customs, habits, traditions and culture; and (iv) the State applies a policy of comprehensive development and give good conditions for EMs to promote their internal force for the country development.
- 95. Articles 58 and 60 of the Constitution 2013 obviously stipulate that (i) the State of Vietnam is in charge of preserving and developing Vietnamese culture of the various ethnic communities; and (ii) the State undertakes priority policies for education development in mountainous areas, ethnic community regions, particularly difficult areas and the State implements foreground programs of heath care for mountainous people and EMs.
- 96. A series of policies related to ethnic minorities was promulgated. Two of the most important policies is the Program 134 (or Decision No. 134/2004/QD-TTg of the Prime Minister) and Program 135 (or Decision No. 135/1998/QD-TTg of the Prime Minister). The earlier promulgates on some policies on supporting productive land, residential land, housing and domestic water for poor EM HHs. The latter promulgates on approving the program on socioeconomic development in mountainous and remote communes with special difficulties. In addition, Decree No. 60/2008/ND-CP of the Government is the very import organization policy related to nationalities issues. This decree defines the functions, tasks, powers and organizational structure of the Committee of Ethnic Minorities, a ministerial level agency under the Government,

performs its functions of state management on EM affairs nationwide, and on public services within its authorities as prescribed by the law.

- 97. The following lists important policies related to ethnic minorities in Vietnam:
 - Decision No.1722/QĐ-TTg approving the national target program on sustainable
 - 2016 poverty reduction for the 2016-2020 period. Specifies targets for reduction in incidence of poverty, and refers to districts inhabited by national minorities
 - Decision No. 1557/QĐ-TTg approving certain criteria on implementation of MDGs
 - 2015 for ethnic minorities in association with national post-2015 sustainable development goals
 - Decision No. 59/2015/QD-TTg on the issuance of the criteria and the poverty line
 - according to the multidimensional approach applies to the period from 2016 to 2020:
 - 2014 Resolution 76/2014/QH13 of the NA on sustainable poverty reduction until 2020;
 - Decision 2324/2014/QĐ-TTg dated 19/12/2014 on approval of the action plan to implement Resolution 76/2014/QH13;
 - Decision No. 311/QD-MOLISA dated 20/03/2014 on approving the plan to
 - transform from uni-dimensional to multi-dimensional poverty for the period 2016-2020;
 - Decision No. 2356/QD-TTg, dated 12/04/2013 issued action program to implement the Master plan on the human resource development ethnic minorities
 - and mountainous areas toward 2020;

 Joint Circular No. 01/2012/TTLT-BTP-UBDT of the Ministry of Justice and the
 - 2012 Committee of Ethnic Minorities, on guiding implementation of legal assistance for EMs.
 - Decree No. 80/2011/NQ-CP on sustainable poverty reduction, period of 2011-2020
 - 2011 Decree No. 05/2011/NĐ-CP on the work of ethnic minority.
 - Decree No. 82/2010/ND-CP of government, dated 20 July 2010 on teaching and learning of ethnic minority languages in schools.
 - Resolution No. 30a/2008/NQ-CP of government, dated 27 Dec. 2008 on support program for rapid and sustainable poverty reduction for 61 poorest districts

 Decree No. 60/2008/NĐ-CP dated 9-May-2008 of the government on the
 - functions, tasks, authorities and structure of the Committee for Ethnic Minorities and Mountainous Areas Affairs.
 - Decision no. 112/2007/QD-TTg of the Prime Minister dated 05-March-2007 on the policy of assistance for relocation and agriculture for Ethnic Minorities from 2007 to 2010.
 - Decision no. 33/2007/QD-TTg of the Prime Minister dated 20-July-2007 on the policy of assistance to improve knowledge of laws as a program of 135, phase 2.
 - Decision no. 01/2007/QD-UBDT dated 31-May-2007 of the Ethnic Minorities Committee on the recognition of communes, districts in the mountainous areas Decision no. 05/2007/QD-UBDT dated 06-September-2007 of the Ethnic
 - 2007 Minorities Committee on its acceptance for three regions of ethnic minorities and mountainous areas based on development status
 - Circular no. 06 dated 20-September-2007 of the Ethnic Minorities Committee guidance on the assistance for services, improved livelihood of people, technical assistance for improving the knowledge on the laws according the decision

- 112/2007/QD-TTg
- Decision no. 06/2007/QD-UBDT dated 12-January-2007 of the Ethnic Minorities
 - Committee on the strategy of media for the program 135-phase 2
- Decree no. 59/1998/ND-CP dated 13-August-1998 of the government on the
- 1998 functions, tasks, authorities and structure of the committee for Ethnic Minorities and Mountainous Areas

C. Reconciliation of Government and ADB policies on Resettlement and ethnic minority

- 98. With the promulgation of the Land Law 2013, including Decree No.47/2014/ND-CP and Decree No.43/2014/ND-CP, Decree No.44/2014/ND-CP, the policies and practices of the national Government have become more consistent with ADB's Policy on Involuntary Resettlement (SPS 2009). However, there are still some significant gaps between the Government policies and the ADB's Policy on Involuntary Resettlement.
- 99. With regard to policy on indigenous peoples, a key difference is in the definition of Indigenous Peoples. In Viet Nam, the term "ethnic minorities" is used rather than "indigenous people" to refer to all the 53 ethnic groups other than the majority Kinh (Viet) ethnic group. In the case of development projects, there is no specific requirement under Viet Nam legislation concerning ethnic minorities particularly for: preparation of an indigenous peoples' plan (IPP) to address adverse impacts on ethnic minorities and maximize positive impacts.
- 100. There is agreement between Viet Nam's laws and ADB's Resettlement Policy especially with regard to the entitlement of persons with legal rights/titles. Existing legislation provides guidance in (i) determining market/replacement rates and payment of compensation, assistances for various types of affected assets; (ii) options for land-for-land and cash compensation assistance; (iii) provision of relocation assistance and support to displaced households during the transition; (iv) provision of resettlement land and housing with secure tenure; (v) additional assistance for severely affected and vulnerable households; (vi) Assistance to livelihood restoration and training; and (vii) notification/disclosure, consultation, and grievance mechanisms.
- 101. A point of difference though is that ADB Policy does not consider the absence of legal rights of DPs on the acquired land as an impediment to receiving compensation for non-land assets and for resettlement assistance. An analysis of gaps between the policy principles set out in the ADB SPS for Resettlement and Viet Nam's resettlement legislation, including measures to address the differences, are outlined in the table below. Importantly however, the Land Law specifically provides for adherence to the frameworks and policies of international funding organizations supporting the projects. Article 87 of the land law states that, for projects using loans from international or foreign organizations for which Vietnam has committed to a policy framework for compensation, support and resettlement, that framework policy shall apply.
- 102. The following table provides a gap analysis of ADB's Policy (SPS 2009) and Government's policy on involuntary resettlement and ethnic minority, and measures for filling gaps applied for the subproject.

Table 8: Gap Analysis between Viet Nam Regulations and ADB SPS (2009) and project policy: Involuntary Resettlement and ethnic minority

Issue	ADB SPS requirement	Provision in Viet Nam Land law 2013, Decree 47/2014/ND-CP, 44/2014/ND-CP	Project Policy
Identification of severely impacted APs who lose productive land	more persons will be physically displaced from home or lose 10% or more of their productive or income-generating assets	APs losing at 30% or more of productive agriculture land are considered severely impacted and are entitled to livelihood restoration measures. Decree 47/2014/ND-CP, Article 19, Item 3:	HHS to be deemed severely affected if they are to experience loss of 10% or more of productive assets and/or physical displacement
Meaningful consultations in planning and implementing resettlement programs	Carry out meaningful consultations with affected persons, host communities, and concerned nongovernment organizations. Inform all displaced persons of their entitlements and resettlement options. Ensure their participation in planning, implementation, and monitoring and evaluation of resettlement programs. Pay particular attention to the needs of vulnerable groups, especially those below the poverty line, the landless, the elderly, women and children, and Indigenous Peoples, and those without legal title to land, and ensure their participation in consultations. Establish a grievance redress mechanism to receive and facilitate resolution of the affected persons' concerns. Support the social and cultural institutions of displaced persons and their host population. Where involuntary resettlement impacts and risks are highly complex and sensitive, compensation and resettlement decisions should be preceded by a social preparation phase. SPS Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards Policy Principle 2	Public consultation is required for the preparation of district land use plans (Land Law article 43). Notification of between 90-180 to be given to affected land users (Land Law Article 67) On approval of compensation arrangements, detailed information on arrangements to be provided to affected persons, and provision for involvement of the Fatherland Association to mediate in case of disagreements/grievances. (Land Law Article 69)	Conducting meaningful consultations with affected persons, mass organizations and civic organizations as part of REMDP preparation throughout project cycle.

Issue	ADB SPS requirement	Provision in Viet Nam Land law 2013, Decree 47/2014/ND-CP, 44/2014/ND-CP	Project Policy
Compensation (general)	Improve, or at least restore, the livelihoods of all displaced persons through (i) land-based resettlement strategies when affected livelihoods are land based where possible or cash compensation at replacement value for land when the loss of land does not undermine livelihoods, (ii) prompt replacement of assets with access to assets of equal or higher value, (iii) prompt compensation at full replacement cost for assets that cannot be restored, and (iv) additional revenues and services through benefit sharing schemes where possible. SPS Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards Policy Principle 3	Provision for cash at or replacement land of the same land use purpose (Land Law Article 74). Provision for valuation by licensed valuers (Land Law Articles 114 to 116 and Decree 44/2014/ND-CP). Provision with compensation for cost moving (Land Law Article 91). Provision of interest for compensation in case of late payment (Land Law Article 93).	Land and non land assets will be compensated at replacement costs. APs are to be consulted in determining arrangements whereby they receive relocation assistance, secured tenure to relocated land, with comparable access to production and employment opportunities, and civic infrastructure and community services as required, transitional support and development assistance such as land development, credit facilities, training or employment opportunities.
Determination of compensation rates for houses and structures	The rate of compensation for acquired housing, land and other assets will be calculated at full replacement costs with no deduction of salvageable materials. The calculation of full replacement cost will be based on the following elements: (i) fair market value; (ii) transaction costs; (iii) interest accrued, (iv) transitional and restoration costs; and (v) other applicable payments SPS Appendix 2: Safeguard Requirements for Involuntary Resettlement	Houses/structures used for living purpose will be compensated at replacement cost. (Land Law 2013, Article 89, item 1) Houses/structures used for other purposes will be compensated equal to the remaining value of the affected house plus some percentage of current value but total compensation amount is not exceed value of the new house/structure. (Decree 47, article 9)	Full compensation at replacement cost to be paid for all structures. No deductions for salvageable materials or depreciation to be made.
Transparency, consistency and equitability in negotiated settlements	Develop procedures in a transparent, consistent, and equitable manner if land acquisition is through negotiated settlement to ensure that those people who enter into negotiated settlements will maintain the same or better income and livelihood status. SPS Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards Policy Principle 6	No regulation	Rents and conditions for temporary use of land or assets will be negotiated with land users. Restoration will be to equal or better condition.

Issue	ADB SPS requirement	Provision in Viet Nam Land law 2013, Decree 47/2014/ND-CP,	Project Policy
Descriptions	•	44/2014/ND-CP	
Provisions for APs who do not have LURCs	Ensure that displaced persons without titles to land or any recognizable legal rights to land are eligible for resettlement assistance and compensation for loss of nonland assets. SPS Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards Policy Principle 7	For displaced households who are not eligible for compensation with residential land, but have no other place to live in project commune, provision is made for the State to sell, lease, provide rent-to-own houses or to allocate land with levy collection (Land Law Article 79).	All affected persons to be entitled to compensation in line with ADB policy and government policy depending whichever is higher.
		The Land Law (Article 92) permits recovery of land without compensation for lost assets in some cases.	
Prepare Resettlement Plan	Prepare a resettlement plan elaborating on displaced persons' entitlements, the income and livelihood restoration strategy, institutional arrangements, monitoring and reporting framework, budget, and time-bound implementation schedule. SPS Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards Policy Principle 8	Requirement for preparation of plans for compensation, support and resettlement. (Land Law Article 67) according to prescribed procedures (Article 69). Contents of plans provided in Decree No. 47/2014/NĐ-CP, Article 28.	REMDPs to be prepared for each subproject
Disclosure of draft resettlement plan	Disclose a draft resettlement plan, including documentation of the consultation process in a timely manner, before project appraisal, in an accessible place and a form and language(s) understandable to affected persons and other stakeholders. Disclose the final resettlement plan and its updates to affected persons and other stakeholders. SPS Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards Policy Principle 9	Full disclosure of detailed arrangements and compensation plans to affected persons. (Land Law Article 69)	Disclose draft REMDPs for each subproject, including documentation of the consultation process in a timely manner, before project appraisal, in an accessible place and a form and language(s) understandable to affected persons and other stakeholders. Disclose the final RP and its updates to affected persons, and other stakeholders.

Issue	ADB SPS requirement	Provision in Viet Nam Land law 2013, Decree 47/2014/ND-CP, 44/2014/ND-CP	Project Policy					
Ethnic Minorities	Ethnic Minorities							
Action planning	Prepare an EM Development Plan (EMDP) that is based on the social impact assessment and meaningful consultation with the assistance of qualified and experienced experts and that draw on indigenous knowledge and participation by the affected EM communities.	No provision of the government on preparation of EMDP	The EMDP shall be prepared and updated, implemented and monitored.					
Recognition of customary rights	Prepare an action plan for legal recognition of customary rights to lands and territories or ancestral domains when the project involves (i) activities that are contingent on establishing legally recognized rights to lands and territories that EMs have traditionally owned or customarily used or occupied, or (ii) involuntary acquisition of such lands.	The issues of customary rights or ancestral domains have not been fully recognized through LURC.	Full consultation with local EMs will be made to define areas with customary rights and to reflect the issues in an updated EMDP with particular actions to protect or compensate the areas.					
Third-party validation of consultation related to land donations	The borrower is required to engage an independent third party to document the negotiation and settlement processes to openly address the risks of asymmetry of information and bargaining power of the parties involved in such transactions.	Not required.	In case of land donations involving marginal portions of land, the third party consultant will witness the negotiation and Settlement processes as part of the due diligence report. A voluntary donation form signed by the landowners, witnesses and village leaders will be attached in the report.					
Monitoring	Monitoring indicators specified for internal and external monitoring and reporting. In case of significant or sensitive impacts, an external monitoring organization is required to conduct monitoring on RP and EMDP implementation	No monitoring indicators indicated	The IA must undertake internal monitoring according to the critical indicators. Anticipated negative impacts of the project are minor, it is no need to recruit an external monitoring organization.					

D. Project Policies

- 103. In pursuit of the above resettlement objectives, the following specific principles are adopted:
 - (i) Involuntary resettlement and impacts on land, structures and other fixed assets will be avoided or minimized where possible by exploring all alternative options.
 - (i) All subprojects will be screened in terms of impacts related to involuntary resettlement. Safeguards due diligence for existing facilities and previous resettlement activities conducted in anticipation of the Project will also be conducted and corrective action will be prepared in case of non-compliance.
 - (ii) Compensation and assistance will be based on the principle of replacement cost at the time of acquisition.
 - (iii) Severely affected household (SAH) status applies when they are losing 10% or more of the household's productive land or other assets (generating income) or are physically displaced from housing.
 - (iv) Displaced persons (APs) without title or any recognizable legal rights to land are eligible for resettlement assistance and compensation for non-land assets at replacement cost.
 - (v) Residential and agricultural land for replacement should be close to the previous places as much as possible and be suitable to APs.
 - (vi) Meaningful consultation will be carried out with the APs and concerned groups and ensure participation from planning up to implementation. The comments and suggestions of the DPs and communities will be taken into account.
 - (vii) The REMDP will be disclosed to APs in a form and language(s) understandable to affected persons prior to submission to ADB. REMDP will be disclosed on the ADB website.
 - (viii) Resettlement identification, planning and management will ensure that gender concerns are incorporated.
 - (ix) Special measures will be incorporated in the resettlement plan to protect socially and economically vulnerable groups such as households headed by women, children, disabled, the elderly, landless and people living below the generally accepted poverty line.
 - (x) Existing cultural and religious practices will be respected and preserved, to the maximum extent practical.
 - (xi) Culturally appropriate and gender-sensitive social impact assessment and monitoring will be carried out in various stages of the project.
 - (xii) Resettlement transition stage should be minimized. Restoration measures will be provided to APs before the expected starting date of construction in the specific location.
 - (xiii) Budget for payment of compensation, assistance, and resettlement and support will be prepared sufficiently and made available during project implementation and by the project provinces.
 - (xiv) Reporting and internal monitoring should be defined clearly as part of the management system of resettlement. Internal monitoring on implementation of resettlement and ethnic minority development plan should be carried out by Ha Giang PMU. Monitoring reports will be disclosed on the ADB website.
 - (xv) The Ha Giang PMU will not issue notice of possession to contractors until they have official advice in writing that (i) payment has been fully disbursed to the APs and rehabilitation measures are in place (ii) already-compensated,

- assisted APs have cleared the area in a timely manner; and (iii) the area is free from any encumbrances.
- (xvi) The Cut-off date is the date of notification on land recovery for the subproject by the competent State agency. The notification is sent to every land user whose land is recovered, publicized in meetings with APs and posted at the offices of the commune-level PCs and common public places. .
- (xvii) All subprojects will be screened for presence of ethnic minorities in the subproject area and impacts on ethnic minorities (EMs). Subprojects with significant adverse impacts on EMs will be excluded.
- (xviii) Local patriarchs (zia lang) will be engaged in the conduct of consultations for the preparation of the subproject. In case there are potential adverse impacts (including minor land acquisition), an REMDP will be prepared. For subproject with only positive impacts on ethnic minorities, the subproject preparation and implementation will include measures for ensuring their participation and inclusion in subproject benefits as elaborated in the Project Administration Manual.

VII. ENTITLEMENTS, ASSISTANCE AND BENEFIT

A. Eligibilities

- 104. Legal rights to the land concerned determine eligibility for compensation with regard to land. There are three types of APs: i) persons with Land Use Rights Certificates (LURCs) to land lost in entirety or partially, ii) persons who lose land they occupy, do not currently possess a LURC but have a claim that is recognized or recognizable under national laws, or, iii) persons who lose land they occupy in its entirety or partially who do not have any recognizable claim to that land. APs included under i) and ii) above shall be compensated for the affected land and assets upon land. APs included under iii) shall not be compensated for the affected land, but for the affected assets upon land and are entitled to assistance if they have to relocate.
- 105. All APs who satisfy the cut-off date for eligibility are entitled to compensation for their affected assets (land, structures, trees and crops), and rehabilitation measures sufficient to assist them to improve or at least maintain their pre-project living standards, income-earning capacity and production levels.
- 106. Non-eligible APs including those making claims based on subsequent occupation after the cut-off date. The cut-off date for eligibility will coincide with the day of announcement of the land acquisition within subproject areas as declared and published broadly by the District People Committee.

B. Entitlement Matrix

- 107. Entitlement Matrix to be applied for this Sub-Project is presented in the Table 9 below.
- 108. The Entitlement Matrix is based on the original Entitlement Matrix in approved Resettlement Framework for BIIG project. It will be updated during the DMS however no entitlement of affected people shall be downgraded comparing to the original Entitlement Matrix in the RF and REMDP. The updated Entitlement Matrix shall cover all types of eligibility identified by DMS.
- 109. Unforeseen impacts: If any person or household is affected during the subproject implementation process, a social impact assessment will be conducted and then necessary compensation and assistance will be applied for the household.

Table 9: Entitlement Matrix

Entitled Persons	Type & Level Of Impact	Compensation Policy	Implementation Issues	Expected impacts
A. PERMANENT AGRICULTURAL LAND				
		cost for affected land; and at market price for standing crop and trees b/ job training/creation assistance equivalent to five times of the value of	Level of assistance for job training/creation, decided by PPC. Implemented by DRCs	including 1.000m ² of annual crop land, 800m ² of
D. COMPENSATIO	N FOR AFFECTED CROPS AND T	REES		
Owners of crops and/or trees	Loss of annual crops	compensation of un- harvested crops at market values based on the average production over past 3 years. No compensation for crops if it can be harvested	crops; Owners of crops and/or trees are entitled to compensation regardless of whether they possess land use rights Calculation of compensation for crop is based on the highest productivity of one crop during the last 3 years.	
	Loss of perennial crops, fruit and timber trees and tree fences	prices given the type, age and	Calculation of compensation for trees is based on the age and diameter of the tree. APs have the right to use salvageable trees.	300 eucalyptus trees
E. PACKAGE OF ECONOMIC REHABILITATION				
	Job training/Creation allowance	creation for APs who directly	Level of assistance for job training/creation	7,950 m ² of land, including 1.000m ² of annual crop land, 800m ² of

		times of value for households losing	aquaculture	land
		rice land, three times of value for	and 6,150	m² of
		households losing annual crop land,	production	forest
		two times for perennial crop land	land	
		and aqualcuture land, and 1,5 times		
		of value for households losing		
		production forest land as regulated		
		by the PPC. The maximum area to		
		be calculated for this assistance is		
		not larger than agricultural land		
		quota in locality, specifically		
		If AH requests for training, he/she will		
		be entitled to a free training course.		
E. 3 Special allowa	nce for social and economically			
-	•	a) Poor households: will be assisted of Eligible households are those who are		
		VND 2,000,000 for insignificantly classed as vulnerable under relevant		
		affected household; VND 5,000,000 fordefinitions of MOLISA and this document.		
with dependents,		severely affected households		
(ii) headed by		b) Other vulnerable households:		
persons with		assistance of minimum VND 2,000,000		
disability, (iii) falling		per household to improve their social		
under the national		and economic conditions or based on		
poverty standard,		regulation per province, whichever is		
(iv) with children		higher		
and elderly who				
have no other		c) All vulnerable households:		
means of support,		participation in income restoration		
(v) landless, and		program regardless of severity of impact		
(vi) ethnic				
minorities.				

C. Compensation and assistance

- 110. Compensation and assistance for subproject affected HHs based on entitlement matrix are presented as follows:
- 111. Compensation for land: Basing on Decision No. 40/2014/QĐ-UBND dated 19th December 2014 by Cao Bang PPC on promulgating unit price of types of land in 2015 in Cao Bang province to apply in the period of 2015-2019; Decision No. 42/2015/QD-UBND dated 22th December 2015 by Cao Bang PPC on promulgating adjustment coefficient of land price to calculate specific land price in Cao Bang province in 2016, compensation unit price for annual crop land is VND 71,500/m2, for aquaculture land is VND 34,100/m2, for production forest land is VND 11,440/m2. Total compensation cost for types of affected land of households is VND 169,136,000.
- 112. Compensation for tree and crop: According to Decision No. 19/2015/QD-UBND dated 15th July 2015 by Cao Bang PPC on promulgating compensation unit price for affected trees and crops when land is acquired by the State in Cao Bang province, compensation for eucalyptus tree is VND 105,000/tree and VND 7,500 for 1 m2 of rice land. Total compensation cost for trees is VND 31,500,000 and for rice is VND 3,000,000.
- 113. Assistance for job changing/creation: According to Decision No. 42/2014/QD-UBND dated 19th December 2014 by Cao Bang PPC on promulgating regulation on compensation, assistance and resettlement when land is acquired by the State in Cao Bang province, assistance for annual crop land is equal to four times of value of land, two times of value of aquaculture land and 1.5 times of value of production forest land. Total assistance amount for job changing/creation for affected HHs are VND 456,094,000.
- 114. Assistance for vulnerable households: five affected HHs under ethnic minority groups and they are households under preferential treatment policy will receive an assistance amount of VND 2,000,000/HH in accordance with REMDF of the project. Total assistance amount for vulnerable HHs is VND 10,000,000.
- Detailed compensation and assistance are presented in Table 11 below.

VIII. RESETTLEMENT BUDGET AND FINANCING PLAN

116. Replacement cost. A rapid replacement cost assessment has been undertaken via consultation with local authorities and local people to determine compensation unit price issued by the PPC and the results indicate that the current prices for houses and structures and crops and trees issued by Cao Bang provincial People's Committee for compensation are acceptable. The compensation prices for lands and non-land assets will be updated at time of resettlement implementation based on results of replacement cost survey conducted by an independent qualified and experienced evaluator. For this REMDP, the selected price for compensation will be calculated in accordance with the issued unit price. The market price of land and crops are presented in Table 10. All these prices will be used to estimate the cost of compensation and resettlement and shall be updated during REMDP implementation process.

Table 10: Replacement cost for land, rice, crop and tree

No.	Items	Unit	Unit price regulated by PPC (VND)	Coefficient of K	Unit price in accordance with Coefficient of K (VND/m²)	Proposed replacement cost (VND)
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No.	Items	Unit	Unit price regulated by PPC (VND)	Coefficient of K	Unit price in accordance with Coefficient of K (VND/m²)	Proposed replacement cost (VND)
1	Annual crop land	VND/m²	65,000	1,1	71,500	71,500
2	Aquaculture land	VND/m ²	31,000	1,1	34,100	34,100
3	Production forest land	VND/m²	10,400	1	11,440	11,440
4	Eucalyptus tree	VND/tree	105,000	1	105,000	105,000
5	Rice	VND/m ²	7,500	1	7,500	7,500

Remarks: adjustment coefficient for land with k=1.

- 117. Budget for resettlement: The estimated cost in accordance with the unit prices above, including compensation for land and asset on land, allowance, cost for maintenance and contingency is VND 851,249,619, equivalent to USD 38,087,76 (see Table 11).
- 118. The resettlement budget is funded by Cao Bang PPC, using the provincial budget and will be allocated sufficiently and on time based on the subproject resettlement implementation schedule.

Table 11: Compensation and assistance budget

No.	Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit price (average)	In cash (VND)
Α	Compensation				203,636,000
I	Compensation for land				169,136,000
1	Annual crop land	VND/m2	1000	71,000	71,000
1.1	Phu Ngoc commune	VND/m2	500	71,000	35.,750,000
1.2	Xuan Hoa town	VND/m2	500	71,000	35.,750,000
2	Aquaculture land	VND/m2	800	34,100	27,280,000
2.1	Phu Ngoc commune	VND/m2	800	34,100	27,280,000
2.2	Xuan Hoa town	VND/m2	-	-	-
3	Production forest land	VND/m2	6,150	11,440	70,356,000
3.1	Phu Ngoc commune	VND/m2	6,150	11,440	70,356,000
3.2	Xuan Hoa town	VND/m2	-	-	-
II	Compensation for trees and crop				34,500,000
1	Eucalyptus trees	VND/tree	300	105,000	31,500,000
2	Rice	VND/tree	400	7,500	3,000,000
В	Assistance				456,094,000
1	Training, job transition and creation of job opportunities				446,094,000
2.1	Annual crop land	VND/m2	1,000	286,000	286,000,000

No.	Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit price (average)	In cash (VND)
2.2	Aquaculture land	VND/m2	800	68,200	54,560,000
2.3	Production forest land	VND/m2	6,150	17,160	105,534,000
3	Assistance for vulnerable groups	VND/HH	5	2,000,000	10,000,000
С	Total (A+B)				659,730,000
D	2% cost for implementation of compensation – assistance – resettlement	%	2		13,194,600
E	Total (C+D)				672,924,600
F	Contingency (15% of F)	%			100,938,600
G	Total (E+F)				773,863,290
Н	VAT (10%)	•			77,386,329
I	Total (VND)				851,249,619
K	Total (USD)			38,087.76	

IX. INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT

A. Provincial level

- 119. The Cao Bang Provincial People's Committee (PPC) with the role of Executing Agency, is responsible for implementation of resettlement activities within its administrative jurisdiction. The main responsibilities of PPC include:
 - (i) To appraise and approve REMDP;
 - (ii) To issue decisions on approving land valuations applied for compensation rates, allowances and other supports to APs, especially vulnerable groups, based on principles of REMDP;
 - (iii) To timely provide the budget for compensation, support and resettlement;
 - (iv) To directly supervise provincial relevant departments to implement effectively the REMDP.
 - (v) To authorize the district-level People's Committees to approve compensation, assistance and resettlement plans;
 - (vi) To direct the relevant agencies to settle APs' complaints, grievances related to compensation, assistance and resettlement according to their law-prescribed competence;
 - (vii) To direct the relevant agencies to examine and handle the violations in the compensation, assistance and resettlement domain.
- 120. The PPC Cao Bang authorizes the Department of Planning and Investment of Cao Bang Province (DPI) to be the project owner and is responsible for:
 - (i) To manage the project loan allocated for subprojects in Cao Bang province;
 - (ii) To establish Provincial Project Management Unit (PMU);
 - (iii) To direct PMU to implement all project activities according to the regulations of Government and ADB policies;
 - (iv) To ensure budget available for implementation of land acquisition in time;
 - (v) To coordinate with relevant agencies to ensure timely redress of complaints or grievances of APs;

- (vi) To supervise the project's implementation.
- 121. The Cao Bang Provincial Project Management Unit (PMU), on behalf of the project owner is responsible for comprehensive REMDP implementation and internal monitoring. The main tasks of PMU are.
 - (i) To prepare, update, and monitor REMDP implementation of subprojects;
 - (ii) To guide LFDC to implement all resettlement activities in compliance with the approved REMDP; and handle with any mistakes or shortcomings identified by internal monitoring to ensure that the objectives of the REMDP are met;
 - (iii) To coordinate with LFDC and CPCs, conduct information campaigns and stakeholder consultation in accordance with established project guidelines;
 - (iv) To coordinate with relevant agencies to ensure timely: providing compensation, support and rehabilitation measures, and handle with complaints or grievances of APs;
 - (v) To conduct internal resettlement monitoring, establish and maintain resettlement and grievance databases in accordance with procedures and requirements in approved REMDP and providing regular reports to Cao Bang PPC, DPI and ADB;
 - (vi) To implement prompt corrective actions in response to internal monitoring.

B. District level

- 122. The DPC undertakes comprehensive management on compensation, assistance and resettlement. The DPC is responsible to the PPC to report on progress, and the result of land acquisition. The DPC's primary task are:
 - (i) To approve the schedule and monitoring the progress of land acquisition and resettlement implementation in compliance with REMDP;
 - (ii) To establish a District Compensation, Assistance and Resettlement Board (CARB) or LFDC and direct them and relevant district departments to appraise and implement the detailed compensation, assistance and resettlement;
 - (iii) To approve and take responsibility on the legal basis, and accuracy of the detailed compensation, assistance and resettlement plans in the local area; To approve cost estimates on implementation of compensation, assistance and resettlement work;
 - (iv) To take responsibility for issuing LURC, certificate on land owning right of HHs and individuals who have land, house entirely recovered; to adjust LURC for HHs and individuals who have land, house partially recovered, in accordance with authorization;
 - (v) To direct Communal People's Committees and relevant organizations on implementation of various resettlement activities;
 - (vi) To review and confirm the REMDP approved by PPC and ADB;
 - (vii) To resolve complaints and grievances of APs

C. District Resettlement committee/ Land Fund Development Center (DRC/ LFDC)

- 123. Members of the DRC/LFDC include the chairman/deputy chairman of the DPC (to be the head of the DRC/LFDC), representative of Environmental and Natural Resource Division, Division of Finance, Division of Agriculture and Rural Development, chairman of CPC, affected households, members of farmer union and women union. The main role of the DRC/LFDC includes:
 - (i) To organize, plan and carry out compensation, assistance and resettlement activities;
 - (ii) To conduct DMS, consultation and information dissemination activities, design and implement income restoration program, coordinate with various stakeholders;

- (iii) To prepare compensation plan and submit to DPC for approval. Implement compensation, assistance and resettlement alternative; to take responsibility for legal basis applied in compensation, assistance and resettlement policy following approved REMDP:
- (iv) To assist in the identification and allocation of land for relocated HHs;
- (v) To lead and coordinate with the CPC in the timely delivery of compensation payment and other entitlements to AHs; and
- (vi) To assist in the resolution of grievances.

D. Commune level

- 124. The CPC will assist the DRC/LFDC in their resettlement tasks. Specifically, the CPC will be responsible for the following:
 - (i) To cooperate with District level and with local mass organizations at commune level to mobilize people who will be acquired to implement the compensation, assistance and settlement policy according to approved REMDP;
 - (ii) To cooperate with DRC/LFDC to present reason of compensation for people with acquired land area; disseminate and disclosure compensation plan to people;
 - (iii) To assign Commune officials to assist the DRC/LFDC in the updating of the REMDP and implementation of resettlement activities;
 - (iv) To identify replacement land for Ahs;
 - (v) To sign the Agreement Compensation Forms along with the AHs;
 - (vi) To assist in redressing grievances; and,
 - (vii) To actively participate in all resettlement activities.

X. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

125. The implementation schedule for resettlement activities for the subproject is presented in Table 11, including (i) activities that have been completed to prepare the REMDP; (ii) resettlement implementation activities and, (iii) internal monitoring activities.

Table 12: Resettlement and compensation payment plan

Activities	Time
Approval and disclosure of final draft REMDP	
Endorse final draft REMDP by PPC and ADB	4/2017
Disclose the endorsed REMDP in ADB website and disclose locally to APs and communes	4/2017
Implementation of the approved REMDP	
Detailed engineering and demarcation of land to be acquired	Quarter II/2017
Conduct public consultation meeting with APs	Quarter II/2017
Conduct IOL and prepare compensation plan (replacement cost survey, if required)	Quarter III/2017
Consult APs on the compensation plan	Quarter IV/2017
Update the REMDP based on results of DMS (if required)	Quarter IV/2017
Submit compensation plan to DPC for review and approval	Quarter IV/2017
Disclose approved compensation plan to Aps	Quarter I/2018

Activities	Time
Conduct payment of compensation and allowance	Quarter I/2018
Conduct site clearance	Quarter I/2018
Carry out construction	Quarter II/2018
Monitoring	
Conducting monthly monitoring on the implementation of REMDP with LIC's support	Quarter I/2018
LIC support for preparation of semi-annual monitoring report to submit CPMU and ADB	Quarter I/2018

XI. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

126. The implementation of the REMDP will be monitored regularly to ensure that it is implemented as planned and that mitigating measures designed to address the subproject's adverse impacts are adequate and effective. Towards this end, resettlement monitoring will be done through community monitoring and internal monitoring. External monitoring is not required for the subproject due to category B and uncomplicated subproject.

A. Community supervision

127. Community- based monitoring will be applied to gather opinions of people on the implementation of REMDP of subproject. People in the subproject's area are encouraged to participate in monitoring the REMDP implementation, especially affected people in terms of what they receive as compensation compared what is stated in the REMDP.

B. Internal monitoring

- 128. The objectives of internal monitoring is to assess:
 - (i) The compliance with the approved REMDP;
 - (ii) The availability of resources and the effective use of these resources to implement land acquisition and resettlement activities;
 - (iii) If resettlement agencies are well-functioning during the project implementation process;
 - (iv) If resettlement activities are undertaken in accordance with the implementation schedule described in the REMDP;
 - (v) To identify problems, if any, and remedial actions.
- 129. Monitoring is the responsibility of PMU, the project executing agency. PMU will be responsible for monitoring the establishment, function and activities of each agency in charge of resettlement in province and district. PMU will ensure that information on the resettlement process will be disclosure by compensation, assistance and resettlement board of district. The compensation, assistance and resettlement board of district will submit monthly progress report to PMU. PMU will consolidate all reports from the province into the project implementation monitoring system to be the base for preparing periodical report to submit to ADB. All of the reports include gender and ethnic minority issues.
- 130. PMU will establish an internal monitoring schedule, indicators, sequence and requirement for report of all subprojects. Internal monitoring reports will be semi-annually submitted to ADB for review and approval and will be posted on the website of ADB. Internal monitoring indicators include but not limited following issues:

- (i) Affected person and compensation: number of affected persons by type of impact; status of compensation and assistance payment, relocation and other allowances;
- (ii) Status of income restoration activity: number of severely affected persons or partially affected persons due to (a) losing production land and/or (b) relocation; number of affected persons under vulnerable groups; relocation status of affected persons; status of income restoration assistance;
- (iii) Information dissemination and consultation: number and scope of community meetings and/or consultation with affected persons; status of affected persons; summary of the need of affected persons, their hobby and concerns recorded from the meetings/consultation;
- (iv) Complaint and grievance redress: summary of recorded complaints; conducting steps of resolving the complaint; and, any arising issue needs to be controlled by authority at district level, province level or assistance from ADB;
- (v) Financial management: compensation fund allocation and other activities; amount paid to each affected person;
- (vi) Resettlement progress: Completion of activites in accordance with the schedule; the delay and reason for the delay; adjustment of resettlement schedule;
- (vii) Coordination of resettlement activities and award of contract for civil works: status of completing resettlement activities and date of award of contract for civil works;
- (viii) Implementation issues: arising issues, reasons and resolution.

XII. ANNEX

ANNEX I: SAMPLE COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MINUTE

CỘNG HÒA XÃ HỘI CHỦ NGHĨA VIỆT NAM
Độc lập – Tự do – Hạnh phúc ——————
Phu Ngoc, ngày 03tháng 4năm 2017
BIÊN BẢN THAM VẨN CỘNG ĐÔNG Về Chính sách an toàn Tái định cư và Dân tộc thiểu số
DỰ ÁN HẠ TẦNG CƠ BẢN CHO PHÁT TRIỂN TOÀN DIỆN CÁC TỈNH ĐÔNG BẮC (FNFP)
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- Ông/Bà
2. Đại diện UBND xã: - Ông/Bà Lã Hoạc bar Chức vụ Chư Tiết UBND xã
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4. Đại diện những hộ bị ảnh hưởng bởi TDA:
- Tổng số người tham dự họpdd người
- Trong đó: Nam9Nữ2Dân tộc thiểu số44

III. Nội dung tham vấn

III.1 Các nội dung phổ biến thông tin:

- Giới thiệu chung về dự án, cung cấp các thông tin về dự án như mục tiêu, địa điểm,
 quy mô, các thông số kỹ thuật cơ bản của các hạng mục được đầu tư, chủ đầu tư và
 nhà tài trợ nguồn vốn;
- Phổ biến thông tin về phạm vi ảnh hưởng và Khung Tái định cư và phát triển DTTS và các quyền lợi được hưởng;
- Phổ biến quy trình khiếu nại và giải quyết khiếu nại về bồi thường Tái định cư cho các
 hộ bị ảnh hưởng;

III.2. Các nội dung tham vấn công đồng:

- Tham vấn về phạm vi ảnh hưởng và các tác động của việc thực hiện dự án;
- Tham vấn về Chính sách bồi thường và quyền lợi của người bị ảnh hưởng;
- Tham vấn về nhu cầu hỗ trợ và khả năng tiến hành các biện pháp phục hồi cuộc sống; Đặc biệt chú trọng các hộ ảnh hưởng nặng, hộ phải di dời Tái định cư;
- Tham vấn các vấn đề về tái định cư, các tác động dự kiến, quyền lợi của người bị ảnh hưởng,
- Tham vấn về các tác động tích cực, các biện pháp giảm thiểu tối đa các tác động tiêu cực, đến người/cộng đồng bị ảnh hưởng;
- Thu thập các ý kiến khác liên quan đến công tác bồi thường Tái định cư và Phát triển dân tộc thiểu số...

VI. Ý kiến thảo luận

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Xã Phi Nga: Huyện thờ Quang Tinh Cao Bany.

Tên tiểu dự án: XD tế thống Cấp nước Sal Clo TI Xuân thoà và Xã Phê Ngọc

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ANNEX II: LIST OF HOUSEHOLDS AFFECTED BY THE SUBPROJECT

Code	Name of Head of household	Sex	Ethnic group	Village	Commune	District
PN001	Truong Van Nich	Male	Tay	Na Pam	Phu Ngoc	Ha Quang
PN002	Truong Van Nam	Male	Tay	Na Pam	Phu Ngoc	Ha Quang
PN003	Tran Thị Kiem	Female	Tay	Na Pam	Phu Ngoc	Ha Quang
PN004	Hoang Van Binh	Male	Tay	Na Pam	Phu Ngoc	Ha Quang
TTXH001	Nguyen Van Nang	Male	Kinh	Mai Nua	Xuan Hoa Town	Ha Quang
TTXH002	Be Van Khoan	Male	Tay	Mai Nua	Xuan Hoa Town	Ha Quang