

Conflict and REDD+ study Nepal: Stage II

ForestAction in collaboration with RECOFTC conducted a second phase study on REDD+ and conflict in Nepal. The first phase study on REDD+ conflict was carried out in May 2011. The main objectives of the current study on REDD+ conflict is to build a strong understanding of stakeholder and conflict management within REDD+, with particular focus on local communities and its implications for conflict occurrence and management, over forests and land in the country in order to improve the design and implementation of REDD+.

To have an experts view on REDD+ issues, a half day workshop was conducted at ForestAction. Similarly 12 focus group discussions, interview with District Forest Officer, forest depended poor people , FECOFUN members and others stakeholders was carried out in three REDD+ pilot districts (Dolakha, Chitwan and Gorkha).

The study focused on ten different themes with regards to REDD+ and questionnaires were developed based on the following topics:

- Tenure and access
- Participation
- Leadership
- conflict management
- Benefit sharing
- Competing demand
- Legal and policy frame work
- Quality of resources
- Institutional dynamics
- Access restriction