

SESA FIJI (Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment (SESA) for Fiji REDD+ Readiness)

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The Institute of Applied Sciences (IAS) is the Sole consultant and Department of Forestry, Fiji, is the implementing body

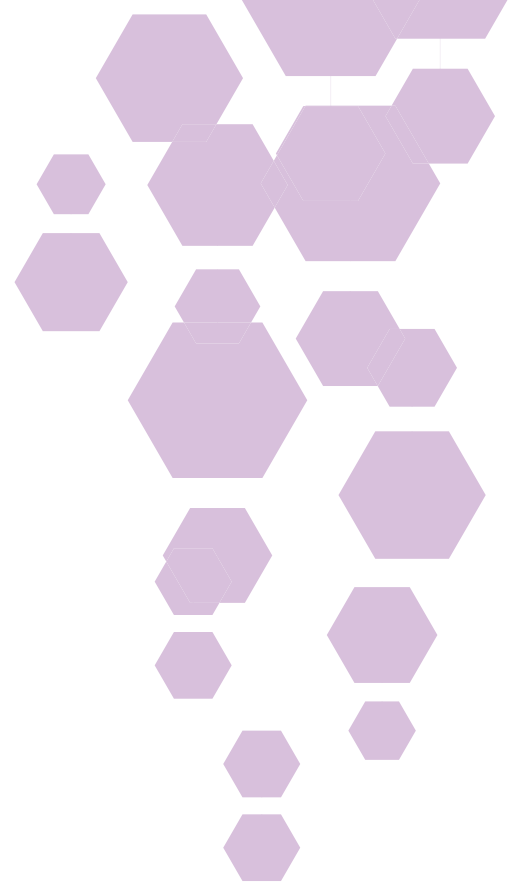
Description

USP-IAS with its team of well experienced & qualified consultants have been contracted on this project to critically analyse REDD+ strategy options from a social and environmental point of view and propose measures/safeguards to mitigate these risks and impacts during REDD+ strategy implementation. The project also encourages a multi-stakeholder engagement approach that will be part of the Consultation and Participation Plan.

Project Objectives

The SESA is designed to provide:

- I. An assessment of the potential impacts and risks of REDD+, according to the different strategy options and associated policies.
- II. Identification of positive and negative impacts and formulation of adequate mitigation measures that will be included in the preparation of other products associated with the SESA process to incorporate WB safeguards from the onset to avoid, limit, and/or mitigate harm to people and the environment and to achieve benefits.



III. The ESMF to meet the designated triggered WB safeguard policies (as detailed in the Integrated Safeguards Data Sheet –ISDS from 2015) on environmental assessment (OP/BP 4.01), natural habitats (OP/BP 4.04), Forests (OP/BP 4.36), pest management (OP/BP 4.09), physical cultural resources (OP/BP 4.11), and involuntary resettlement (OP/BP 4.12).

Project Outputs

(if project has been completed)

Major outputs would be to compile the SESA report after analysis & to further develop the Environmental & Social Management Framework (ESMF) for Fiji.

