

Progress of development of guidelines for REDD+

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Outlook of REDD+

What's and why REDD+?

- To give incentives on activities for “Reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation and the role of conservation, sustainable management of forests and enhancement of forest carbon stocks in developing countries”
- Shifted from Kyoto Protocol and its CDM which covers only A/R

Progresses and initiatives

- GCF, FCPF, Bio Carbon Fund, and other bilateral/multilateral initiatives (e.g. amazon fund (Brazil-Norway), Piloting in Central Kalimantan (Indonesia-Norway))
- Concept has been evolved and framed under UNFCCC since 2005 :
 - PA 5, Warsaw Framework and other relevant COP decisions
- A room for project level REDD+:
 - PA 6 while VCS have already included deforestation and forest degradation as the area of project activities

JCM for REDD+

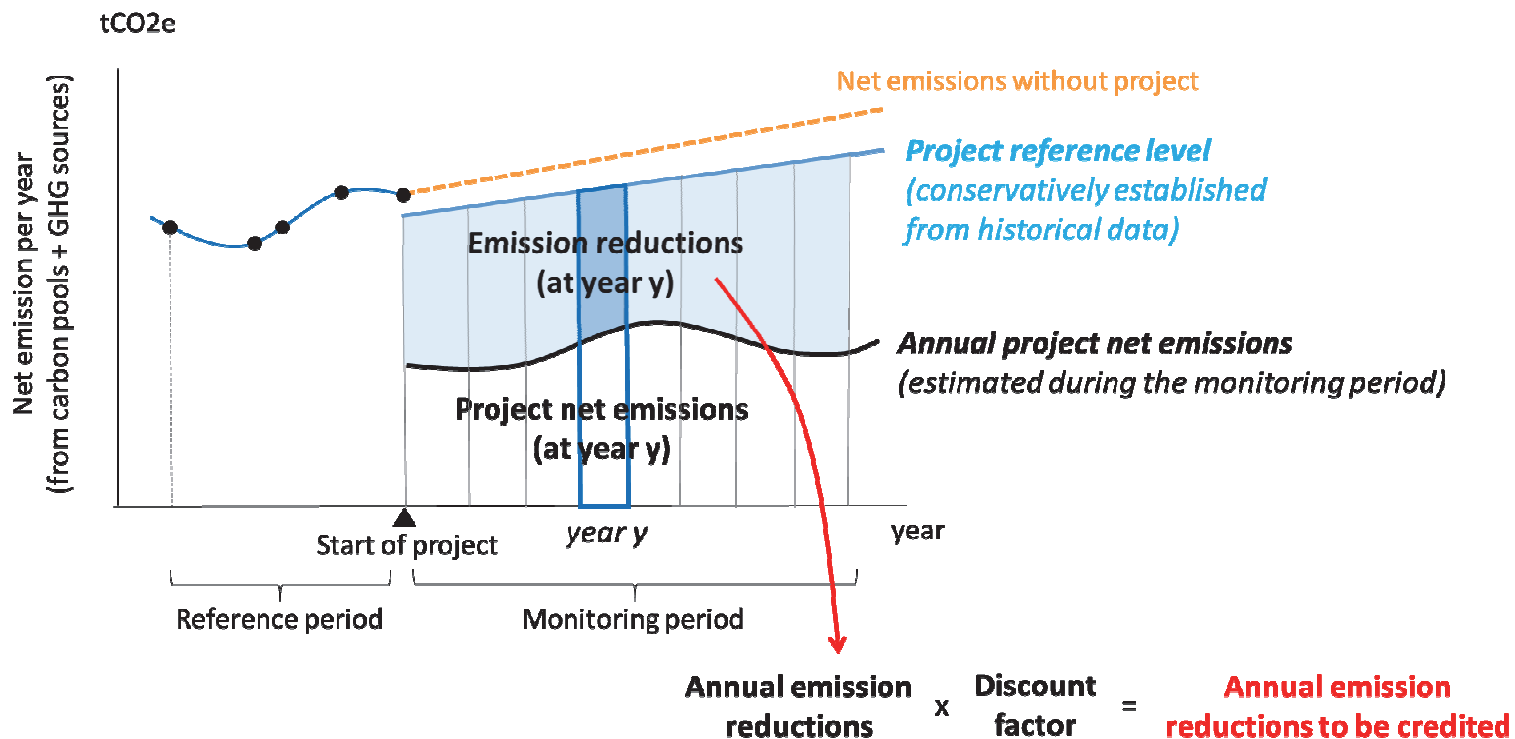
- Japan has been considering possible implementation of REDD+ activities under the JCM
- Draft guidelines have been considered and developed since 2013
- Model projects financed by MOEJ started in 2015
- Possible benefits by implementing project level REDD+:
 - First track finance
 - Direct incentives for stakeholders implementing activities
- Importance to be aligned with international REDD+ modalities:
 - How to set a reference level
 - How to do measurement, reporting and verification
 - How to ensure safeguards
 - How to coordinate project information with relevant stakeholders including those international, national, regional and local

A Set of the JCM Guidelines for REDD+

- JCM Guidelines for Developing Proposed Methodology for REDD+
- JCM Guidelines for Developing Project Design Document and Monitoring Report for REDD+
- JCM Guidelines for Promoting and Supporting Safeguards for REDD+
- JCM Guidelines for Validation and Verification for REDD+
- JCM Project Cycle Procedure for REDD+

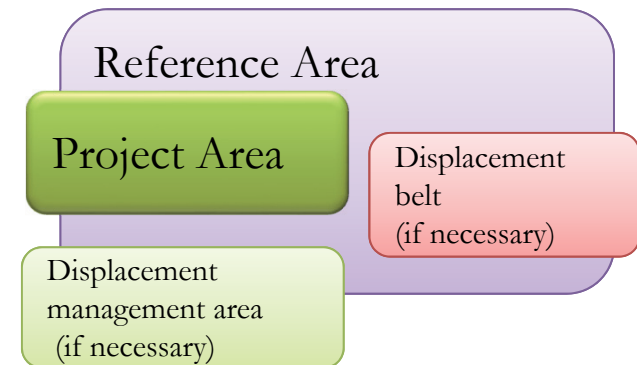
Emission reductions to be credited

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 - Applied the **discount factor (30% as a default value)** for risk of reversals to the difference between **project reference level** and **project net emissions** in each year
 - Project reference level is conservatively established to secure net emission reductions. At least **four successive periods of time** is taken into account that span across the reference period which **dates back at least 10 years** from the start of the project while the national or sub-national reference level should be taken into account as necessary



Geographical boundary

- Project area
 - forest area conserved in the project
 - fulfilling the national definition of forest designated by PARTNER COUNTRY, for a minimum 10 years before the project start
 - at least 80 percent of total area of the project area is under the control by the project at the time of validation
- Reference area
 - referred when establishing the project reference levels
 - similar to the project area (the drivers of deforestation and/or forest degradation, landscape configuration, socio-economic and cultural conditions)
- Displacement belt
 - GHG emissions due to the project activities are monitored
- Displacement management area
 - project activities are implemented to reduce net GHG emissions in project area (Livestock management, Rice production, etc..)



Safeguards

- Safeguard criteria is established by taking into account the Cancun Agreements (Decision 1/CP.16, Appendix I, paragraph 1 and 2).
- Recognizing that safeguard activities may vary from project to project, depending on their different circumstances.
- Noting that safeguard activities should be approached in a stepwise manner (PDCA cycle).
 - “Perfect performance” is not easy.
 - Continuous improvements are required during the project period.
- Approaches for planning safeguard activities per each criterion are identified in the guidelines

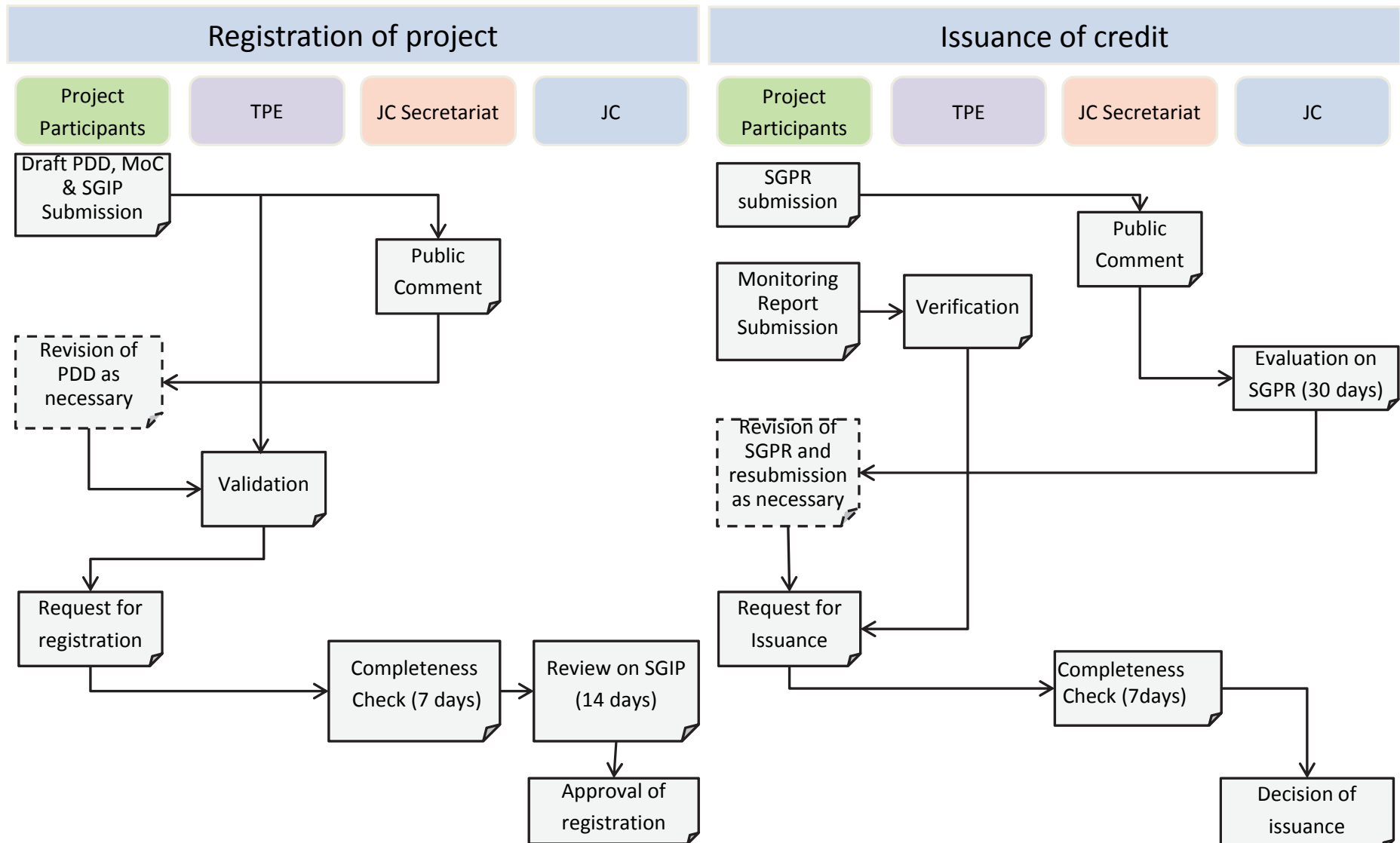
Safeguard Criteria under the JCM

- a. Complement or be consistent with the objectives of relevant laws, policies, programmes and other instruments at national, regional and local levels and relevant international conventions and agreements ratified or adopted by PARTNER COUNTRY
- b. Establish transparent and effective project governance structures
- c. Recognize and respect rights to lands and resources
- d. Recognize and respect the knowledge and rights of indigenous peoples and members of local communities
- e. Promote and support the full and effective participation of relevant stakeholders, in particular indigenous peoples and local communities
- f. Provide equal employment opportunities and adequate working conditions
- g. Conserve natural forests
- h. Respect other areas that have high values for the conservation of biological diversity and ecosystem services
- i. Generate other social and environmental benefits
- j. Address the risks of reversals
- k. Reduce the risks of emissions displacement

Key concept of JCM-REDD+

Subject to further consideration with host parties

Project Cycle of JCM-REDD+



SGIP: safeguard activity implementation plan
SGPR: safeguard activity progress report