

Supporting land governance reform processes

Governments around the world, including the UK, share a view that good land governance is critical to addressing the most pressing social, economic and environmental priorities. Challenges in land governance translate into real constraints to climate change adaptation and resilience, developing an inclusive and growing green economy, eradicating hunger and poverty, peace-building or other objectives.

Evidence shows that secure or formal land rights and accessible, reliable records, maps and related services can contribute to success including by:

 Improving incentives for households, communities and businesses to invest in land uses that are both productive and sustainable, providing for livelihoods, shelter and growth without environmental harm; and

• Providing accessible land information to guide governments, investors and communities towards better planning and investments, e.g., climate-smart agriculture, forestry, housing and mining.

Land Facility offers to partner with governments to strengthen land governance

Considering shared commitments in the Rio Conventions and the Sustainable Development Goals, among others, it is ever more important to make land governance work in practice and for all. Land Facility (LF) is a global programme funded by the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, offering to support governments in their land reform efforts. The LF team will work with country governments to explore opportunities for partnership, as well as opportunities to link or embed land governance work within broader initiatives, e.g., resilient livelihoods, halting deforestation or promoting

green investment. With a shared sense of priorities, opportunity, and alignment of approaches, LF will co-design country support programmes together with government and other key stakeholders.

Land Facility focus is on incremental steps on the critical path to sustained reforms and scaled results

LF has a wide geographic, thematic and operational scope of support, allowing for customised activity designs and delivery approaches. Similarly, LF offers a wide range of rural, forest and urban land governance and adjacent sector expertise and networks, at local and global levels. Country support programme development and delivery are collaborative, flexible and adaptive to evolving contexts, grounded with evidence and shared leaning and supported by global engagements.

Land Facility will support activities in three primary areas:

- 1. Incentives and evidence to back political, financial and operational commitment;
- 2. Capacity to sustain reforms and results; and
- 3. Coordination to design reforms for success, aligned with social, economic or environmental priorities.

The focal areas and activities to be covered in a support programme will emerge as engagement moves forward.

Land Facility engagements with countries are:

- **Demand-responsive:** Existing priorities, emerging opportunities and shared understandings will underlie programming.
- **Tailored:** Activities and engagements will be tailored to context with country actor engagement and leadership from design through delivery.
- **Partnership orientated:** To amplify results, learn and adapt LF encourages partners to link efforts in and beyond dialogue across government entities, development partners and others and their programmes.

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