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*Combined safeguards and sub-regional capacity building workshop on
REDD-plus,
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National experience with REDD-plus

REDD+ working group was established early in 2011:

- Comprising of officials from related agencies, with the background and knowledge on biodiversity issues in Namibia.
- Local communities.

Works closely with the Directorate of Environmental Affairs which is the focal point involving many agencies dealing with Climate Change issues.

Planning: Establishment of Governance Structures for REDD+ and awareness activities.

National experience with biodiversity safeguards

No experience with biodiversity safeguards.

Inadequate coordination and policy harmonization with other sectors that impact on forests may hinder biodiversity safeguards.

Setbacks: Insufficient funding, limited awareness, etc.

Capacity needs: Institutional, technical, human capacity building, among others.

National experience with assessing/ monitoring impacts of REDD-plus

Impacts of REDD+ on biodiversity and local livelihoods will be assessed by:

- Comprehensive forest inventories and socio-economic assessment (studies).

Regional collaboration regarding safeguards and impact assessment

Namibia's REDD+ programme will closely collaborate with other African member states already implementing the programme, through the SADC Secretariat.

thank you!
Merci!

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