







PROJECT ACTIVITY REPORT

OUTPUT 2.1

ACTIVITY 2.1.3 MEETING WITH STATE AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, LOCAL PARTNERS AND LEADERSHIP TO EVALUATE THE PROJECT PERFORMANCE

"COMMUNITY FOREST MANAGEMENT: A sustainable alternative for the Maués State Forest, Amazonas State"

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summary

This activity involving state and municipal governments, local partners and leaders took place on July 17, 2015, at the Museum of Man, in the city and Municipality of Maués and was attended by the residents and community of the Maués State Forest.

The Maués State Forest was established on July 2003. According to reports made by the participants of the workshops: there were many partners of communities and and friends of the people of the Maués State Forest that contributed to reach the quality of life outcomes and social security policy and that exists today.

The IPDA was part of this process, contributing directly and indirectly to the establishment of the Maués State Forest, as well as the Union of Rural Workers of Maués (STTMR), Pastoral of Earth Coordination (CPT), the Working Group of the amazon (GTA) and subsequently Sustainable Amazon Foundation (FAS).

In the year of 2012 the IPDA took on the Project: COMMUNITY FOREST MANAGEMENT: A sustainable alternative for the Maués State Forest. Since then, the task has achieved major advances. There is a great hope on behalf of the beneficiary communities. The IPDA directorate has made continuous efforts in order for the project to be satisfactorily completed.

The objective of this report is to conduct a meeting with partners to assess project performance.









1. Introduction

The concerns about the environment and sustainable development is dated back to 1972 with the organization of the Roma club and with the Stockholm meeting where the outcome consolidated an initial concept – the search for a development aimed at maintaining natural resources for future generations.

The concept of Sustainability was achieved most recently, imposed by the market and public opinion, and brand building processes accompanying discussions on climate changes, imposing new ethical values for organizations and their social and environmental practices, and also their economic and sustainable development.

Three important concepts the IPDA utilizes in this sense in the development of their projects are:

- Empowerment and Participatory Planning: map, coordinate and organize the efforts of all stakeholders, government, NGOs and beneficiaries in the development of their projects. To IPDA, people are not objects but key players. The prospect on integration is the ability to optimize costs and elaborate the most efficient projects. The empowerment process' key point is to spread to the beneficiary all processes and knowledge resources needed for the actions to become more effective. Resulting by the end of the project (local action, punctual and limited) a greater impact and effectiveness in the transformation of reality
- Popular methodology and articulation of local knowledge: is the search
 for respecting perspectives of local actors, leaders and above all, the
 realities. There are realities in the Amazon that all by itself are unique
 cultural realities. Such practice articulates knowledge, innovations and
 develops new social technologies, resulting in a win win process.









 Excellence in Technical capacity: as an organization that provides environmental services, the idea is to bring elements and tools for social strengthening and technical achievement of projects. IPDA relies on upscale professionals and expects this to mirror into the project bringing excellent results.

2. Methodology applied

In the first part of the meeting freedom was granted for partners' presentations. Overall, partners spoke of the satisfaction of being part of a project that aims to improve quality of life and sustainability for forest communities.

The Coordinator Adenilza Mesquita Vieira (aka Sila) began by introducing the purpose of the meeting - discuss activity 2.1.3, which is to assess project performance and evaluate IPDA as executor of the project.

The mobilization task consisted of visits made by coordinator Adenilza Mesquita who visited organizations to exchange information and establish a sense of informality and encourage the participation of everyone.

During the afternoon, the groups were divided according to the GTM proposed by the project. The idea is togve opportunity for information exchange where everyone has the opportunity to speak up. In the end, conclusions made by each group as stressed.

The President of IPDA, Adenilza Mesquita along with Project Manager Fernando Guimarães, handed out an anonymous written evaluation to be assessed individually.

3. Presentation of data

At first moment, without the worry of arranging an opening phase, open space was granted for partners to make their opening statements. The Mayor of Maués, present at the event opened the speech session addressing the importance of the project, to enable generation of employment and income in the reality of the communities, which he himself originated from one of these communities is









committed to promoting development within the municipality and that he felt very honored to participate in the project, the posture of the coordination of the project, always concerned to advise, to participate, to consult possibility of meetings among all partners.

Being the voice of STTR Maria Amelia made a presentation, she sang a song composed for the women's movement MMTR and said: "It is important to not forget why we started up the mountain, hoping to transform reality in the broth of the union of technical, public power, riparian and the peoples of the forests. This is a unique moment not only to evaluate project performance, but to strengthen our struggle."

Overall, all made votes of greeting. After this time the Project manager of IPDA, Fernando Guimarães, did a short corporate presentation and showed the main results of the project, highlighting actions and objectives. The coordinator Aginaldo directed the discussion to be assessed explaining how groups activities would work in for the afternoon. The whole dynamic concluded with the presentation of the Working Groups that ended the presentations with the figure of a tree pointing major advances, challenges and suggestions.

At the end President Sila distributed an individual evaluation form that was tabulated and we will present the main elements in the analysis of the data.

4. Analysis, Data Interpretation and Results

The data of the work result realize a very consolidated coalition, the best you can achievement in sustainability projects. They were analyzed during the work elements such as: capacity and quality of mobilization level and the useful information disclosed by the organization and if there are flows between the beneficiary organizations and interested organizations in implementing the project, the evaluation of the technical level of the project team, frequency and relationship of the project team with the beneficiary of the project, participation in decision making, efficiency on activity development, ability to achieve the strategic objectives and the mobilization and coordination of partners. The tabulation of results demonstrates the delight of all who were part of the evaluation.









Among the main points analyzed as positive is the work of inter-coalition, the project as it gathered with the leaders of the 19 communities Parauari, Cincantá and Apoctaua River, public power partners and non-governmental organization partners. And the body of the technical project, formed largely by militants of social and environmental movements, already known by the Project communities and partners.

As a challenge the point that drew attention by highlighting the speeches of the various participants in the evaluation was the bureaucratic time ratio procedure in the state government and the time of life that requires greater dynamics to benefit communities and achieve success in projects. For community leaders: "Our biggest concern is that the Community Forest Management project becomes another unfinished project because of the deadlines imposed by IPAAM (environmental protection institute) involving any Community management plan of the state." It resonates as a major challenge the proposal of the government partners and those who already have approved projects, but who are without the prospect of conclusion for lack of resources: If there were integration efforts, perhaps together the coalition can make it happen, more than 14 management plan have initiated over the last 14 years, at least 3 may reach the marketing stage until at least the first half of 2017. This suggestion is justified in the effort to make the leaders to present and map the projects that can with adoption of mutual efforts promote the achievement of all project objectives in a timely manner.

5. Conclusion

The data analyzed demonstrates good performance of IPDA and technical body of the project in the development of activities and coordination of the Project. The challenges and concerns of institutions have been homogeneous in demonstrating a leveling understanding of project tasks and the reality of it. It remains to IPDA develop maturation on this issue together with ITTO and advisers.

6. Recommendations









Conduct dialogue with ITTO on proposals to complete the project.

7. Implications of practice

Social innovations are ways of unanticipated adjustments made by the technicians and available tools. This process was created through local knowledge and capacity of analysis of the agents empowered by local knowledge and technical skills that are acquired in processes of projects and also having a direct result regarding social and technical innovation of projects. It is up to decision makers as to how the project will be held, from the technical recommendations, aiming to facilitate the practical result of productive initiatives.









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