







## **Sudan REDD+ Program**

## REDD+ Readiness Phase Updated Summary Report Covering the Period (January – November 2023)

- During this period Sudan received fund from the Green Climate Fund (Readiness Fund) through the FAO to develop a national FREL/FRL, build capacities of its national REDD management arrangement and to develop concept notes for emission reduction projects/programmes. FAO with the REDD+ program Management Unit started early this year the project implementation including formulation of the teams, recruiting consultants, and planning the field work. The current war situation, which started 15 April 2023 caused disruption of work and created many difficulties to implementing many of the planned activities, to a complete cessation of implementation for almost. Five months. We are now working with FAO on alternative ways to resume implementation hoping to complete forest references level by end of next year.
- ❖ On the other hand, the REDD programme conducted a study on forest valuation and contributions to the national income (Gross Domestic Product {GDP}), all stages of the study have been completed, however, we could not validate the report of the study for the same reason above. The also consultant prepared a policy paper, based on this report, both will be posted on our website as soon as possible.
- ❖ The REDD program management unit started to conduct a survey on projects (in the context of forest protection) working in the field of forestry that have good forest plantation programs and sustainable plantation management. Since the previous Conference of the Parties, COP27, the program management unit has been in contact with the Coalition for Rainforest Nations (CfRN) Administration to provide technical assistance to the REDD+ program in Sudan in relation to the development of a national registry system. Due to the war situation, the arrangement for the CfRN mission to Sudan has been postponed.

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