

TENTH EXECUTIVE FOREST POLICY COURSE

**REVISITING THE POVERTY REDUCTION AGENDA IN THE CONTEXT OF SDGs:  
OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR ASIA-PACIFIC FORESTRY**

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# GROUP DISCUSSION: HOW PRO-POOR ARE NATIONAL FOREST POLICIES



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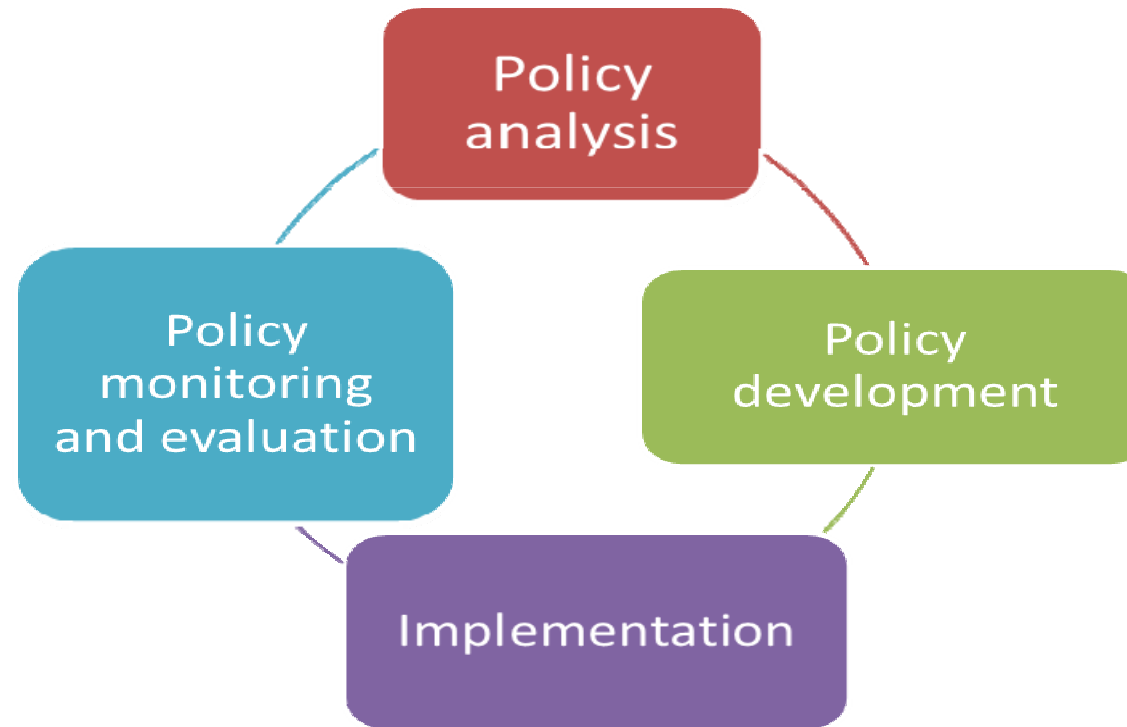
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# POLICY PROCESS



# ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED IN ASSESSING POLICIES FOR THEIR PRO-POOR ORIENTATION

- Has there been effective consultation with/ involvement of relevant stakeholders – especially the rural poor – in formulating the forest policy?
  
- Does the forest policy make any explicit statement about addressing poverty?
- Is poverty alleviation an explicit objective of the forest policy?
  
- Are there any indications on how conflicts with other policy objectives are proposed to be resolved and trade-offs established?
  
- Does the policy outline strategies and approaches to address poverty?
- Are there any indications in the policy about pro-poor forest tenure reform (or ensuring that rights of local communities will be protected)?
- Does the policy clearly specify how the poverty reduction objective will be monitored?