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### Agenda Item 7.1

#### **DECISION 45-VII-22R** **Approval of New Projects**

The Assembly of the Asian Forest Cooperation Organization (AFoCO),

*Having considered* the appraisal and recommendations of the respective Project Appraisal Panel (PAP) and the endorsement of the final appraisal by the Project Appraisal Committee (PAC); and

*Taking note* of the summary of project proposals as contained in document A-22-7-7, hereby:

1. Approves the project proposals as below, subject to the compliance of any remaining concerns as per comments and recommendations during project appraisal; and

<b>Proponent</b> (Registration No.)	<b>Project Title</b>
Cambodia (PP-2021-KH-001)	Advancing Restoration of native Agarwood – <i>Aquilaria crassna</i> and <i>A. Malaccensis</i> – for Sustainable Use and Management in Southwestern Cambodia
Mongolia (PP-2021-MN-001)	Forest restoration demonstration through high capacity tree nursery and capacity building in support to “1 Billion Tree” campaign in Mongolia
Philippines (PP-2021-PH-001)	Forest Restoration using Philippine Threatened and Endemic Tree Species (PTES) in Bacon-Manito (BACMAN) Geothermal Reservation in Support to the Philippines’ Forestry Sector’s National Greening Program

2. Task the Secretariat to facilitate the necessary follow-up actions for project inception in due course.

## Summary of Project Proposals

### I. Project Proposal 1

Project Title	Advancing Restoration of native Agarwood – Aquilaria crassna and A.Malaccensis – for Sustainable Use and Management in Southwestern Cambodia		
Proponent	Cambodia	Registration No.	PP-2021-KH-001

#### 1. Project Profile

- a. Primary Target Area: AFoCO Strategic Priority 1  
“Initiating customized restoration & reforestation models”
- b. Total budget: KRW 797,517,840 (equivalent to USD 705,768)  
(AFoCO: KRW 743,820,240 (equivalent to USD 658,248)/  
National: KRW 53,697,600 (equivalent to USD 47,520) (In-kind))  
*\*USD 1 = KRW 1,130 applied*
- c. Project Duration: 3 years (2023-2025)
- b. Implementing Agency: Forestry Administration of Cambodia

#### 2. Objectives

- a. Rehabilitation of former Agarwood ecosystems as the country piloting areas.
- b. Awareness-raising on advancement of native Agarwood restoration in Southwestern Cambodia.
- c. Establishment of effectively enabling environment to support the development of Family-scale and private sector in native Agarwood species plantations.

#### 3. Expected Outputs and Deliverables

- a. 12,500 seedlings planted for each of the four provincial sites (seedlings of 8 to 12-month old with approx. 0.5 m high)
- b. Data on status of native Agarwood species established in each provincial site
- c. National technical workshops on status of native Agarwood species will be conducted for stakeholder discussions and data dissemination
- d. Two (02) hectare of native Agarwood plantations established by Family-scale and private sectors in each of the four target provincial sites
- e. Official lists of private and Family-scale plantations established in all four provincial sites
- f. Capacity building on forest ecosystems and typical native Agarwood habitats provided to owners of Family-scale and private plantations

## II. Project Proposal 2

Project Title	Forest restoration demonstration through high capacity tree nursery and capacity building in support to “1 Billion Tree” campaign in Mongolia		
Proponent	Mongolia	Registration No.	PP-2021-MN-001

### 1. Project Profile

- a. Primary Target Area: AFoCO Strategic Priority 1  
“Initiating customized restoration & reforestation models”
- b. Total budget: KRW 1,129,611,280 (equivalent to USD 999,656)  
(AFoCO: KRW 1,129,611,280 (equivalent to USD 999,656)/  
National: TBD)  
*\*USD 1 = KRW 1,130 applied*
- c. Project Duration: 3 years (2023-2025)
- c. Implementing Agency: Forest Agency, Ministry of Environment and Tourism of Mongolia

### 2. Objectives

- a. Establishment of mechanized nursery for forest restoration;
- b. Capacity building of frontline forestry staff and communities on forest restoration;
- c. Soil erosion control and water conservation, and contribute to income generation of participating communities.

### 3. Expected Outputs and Deliverables

- a. Tree nurseries are established and seedling production is increased in the existing small nurseries
- b. Capacity building trainings conducted for seedling production, tree planting, forest cleaning and forest protection measures to improve the survival and growth performance of plantations
- c. Forest restoration plan developed for the Ereen Mountain Range and Deendiin Valley
- d. Reforestation and restoration of 100 ha of area in the Ereen Mountain Range and 20 ha of area in Deendiin Valley
- e. Knowledge and lessons learned about the impacts of forest restoration on socioeconomic and environment are documented and shared

### III. Project Proposal 3

Project Title	Forest Restoration using Philippine Threatened and Endemic Tree Species (PTES) in Bacon-Manito (BACMAN) Geothermal Reservation in Support to the Philippine Forestry Sector's National Greening Program		
Proponent	Philippines	Registration No.	PP-2021-PH-001

#### 1. Project Profile

- a. Primary Target Area: AFoCO Strategic Priority 1  
"Initiating customized restoration & reforestation models"
- b. Total budget: KRW 622,578,020 (equivalent to USD 550,954)  
(AFoCO: KRW 330,683,200 (equivalent to USD 292,640)/  
National: KRW 8,924,740 (equivalent to USD 7,898, in-cash),  
KRW 14,464,000 (equivalent to USD 44,200, in-kind) from  
FMB / Others: KRW 49,946,000 (equivalent to USD 12,800,  
in-cash) KRW 218,560,080 (equivalent to USD 193,416, in-kind) from EDC  
*\*USD 1 = KRW 1,130 applied*
- c. Project Duration: 3 years (2023-2025)
- d. Implementing Agency: Energy Development Corporation (EDC) and DENR - Forest Management Bureau (FMB)

#### 2. Objectives

- A. Restore 100 hectares of disturbed forest with 20 species of highly threatened and endemic trees in Support to the Philippine Forestry Sector's National Greening Program
- B. Establish 2 hectares arboretum within forest restoration area
- C. Document good practices and propagation protocols of using PTES in forest restorations that can be developed and translated into national policies and/or technical bulletins
- D. Demonstrate Private-Public Partnership in forest restorations and translate into working national policies and/or technical bulletins
- E. Facilitate knowledge sharing on Forest Restoration Using PTES

#### 3. Expected Outputs and Deliverables

- a. Restored 100 ha using PTES
- b. Capacitated local community or farmers association
- c. Established 1 Arboretum with 20 of PTES
- d. Updated/Developed information database for PTES
- e. Produced 50, 000 quality planting materials and developed 10 Propagation Protocol of PTES
- f. Drafted and proposed/recommended new forest policies and/or technical bulletins on private-public partnerships in forest restorations
- g. Trained and capacitated at least 10 Technical Person from DENR, EDC and AFOCO