



<b>Title</b>	Are we lagging in forest governance? Civil society, local communities, and indigenous peoples present the multiple pathways forward	
<b>Organizer</b>	Non-Timber Forest Products - Exchange Programme Asia in partnership with the CSO Forum on Social Forestry in ASEAN	
<b>Type of event</b>	Discussion forum	
<b>Venue</b>	Room 304	
<b>Date/Time</b>	Tuesday, June 18; 15:30-17:00	
<b>Event description</b>		
<p>Meaningful engagement of CSOs, local communities, and indigenous peoples is a key ingredient to successful forest governance. There have been numerous researches and case studies that support this key message. In a dynamic and ever-changing policies, unsustainable development and utilization of forests, mega developments challenges and issues, how can the above mention actors put forward a responsible and proactive forest governance? What mechanisms can be unlocked and tapped?</p> <p>In this session, key civil society organizations, local communities and indigenous people's representatives will present, and share their experiences, challenges, perspectives and lessons learned in forest tenure and access rights and forest governance that can be used in to inform policy and program development in the future.</p> <p>Asian Farmers Association will share their experience in evidence based advocacy movements using the Land Matrix in tracking forest land grabbing, ANGNA India will speak about their challenges and responses in their fight together with the indigenous peoples to fully implement the Forest Rights Act, and PACOS Trust will discuss facilitating and hindering factors in pushing for establishing ICCAs through the support multi-stakeholder working group Sabah Social Forestry network. Selected CSOs and indigenous community representatives will be providing their responses to the main presentations and a question and answer will be facilitated at the end of all presentations and responses. Finally, a synthesis and recommendations from the session will be provided.</p>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Speaker / Panelist</b>	<b>Theme</b>
15.30 - 15.35	Ms. Femy Pinto, Executive Director, NTFP-EP Asia	Introduction and key messages
	Moderators: Mr. Prem Singh Tharu, Program Officer, AIPP, Ms. Olivia Melendrez, Area Coordinator, NTFP-EP Philippines	
15:35-15:50	Ms. Lorraine Angelica Ablan, Land Matrix Coordinator, AFA	Experience in evidence based advocacy movements using Landmatrix in tracking forest land grabbing
15:50-16:05	Mr. Remish Ekka, Executive Director, ANGNA India	CSOs and indigenous peoples challenges and responses in advocating for the full implementation of FRA
16:05-16:30	Mr. Gordon John Thomas, Technical advisor, PACOS Trust	Multi-stakeholder working groups (SASOF) as support mechanism for establishing ICCAs
16:30-16:45	Ms. Noraeri Thungme, Vice Chair, Indigenous Women Network in Thailand (IWNT)	Responses Role of Indigenous women in the forests: promoting traditional governance system to safeguard forests
	Mr. Myo Ko Ko, Programme Manager, Advocacy and Networking, POINT Myanmar	The need for Indigenous Peoples policy on the Green Climate Fund
16.45 - 16.55	Moderator: Dazzle Labapis, Program Officer, NTFP-EP Asia	Question and Answer
16.55 - 17.00		Synthesis and Wrapping-up