

GEF 7: LDN PROJECT

GAGIL & TAMIL COMMUNITY CONSULTATION



Tamil Consultation Meeting



Gagil Consultation Meeting

The State Land Management Working Group (SLMWG), comprised of representatives from the Department of Resources and Development, Yap State Environment Protection Agency, Yap Farmers Association, Tamil Resources Conservation Trust, and the GEF7 Project, conducted a series of consultation meetings with the Council of Chiefs from the municipalities of Gagil and Tamil to validate the GEF7 Project's demonstration site for Yap State.

The first meeting took place with the Gagil Municipality Council on October 13, 2024, followed by a subsequent meeting with the Tamil Municipality Council on October 27, 2024. The primary objectives of these meetings were to provide an overview of the GEF 7 Land Degradation Neutrality project, outline its objectives, and present the rationale for selecting the demonstration site for the project. Additionally, the meetings aimed to validate and confirm the demonstration landscape, establish a Community Land Management Working Group (CLMWG), and identify its members. Most importantly, the meetings sought to garner the blessings and support of the respective communities for the successful implementation of the project.

The outcome of both meetings was the establishment of a Community Land Management Working Group (CLMWG), consisting of three members from each municipality, for a total of six members. The group includes one female representative and five male representatives. These consultations marked an important step in fostering collaboration between the community stakeholders, government and the GEF7 LDN Project, with a shared commitment to land management and environmental sustainability.



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