



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT MECHANISMS IN VIETNAM

NGUYEN TUAN ANH

Deputy Director General

Department for Science, Education, Natural Resources and Environment

Ministry of Planning and Investment

Contents

- **Introduction to The Vietnam Agenda 21**
- **Priority Activities**
- **Implementation Mechanisms**



Introduction to The Vietnam Agenda 21

On 17 August 2004, Prime Minister signed Decision No. 153/2004/QĐ-TTg issuing the Strategic Orientation for Sustainable Development in Vietnam



- I. Sustainable development, Vietnam's anticipated path.
- II. Priority economic areas for sustainable development.
- III. Priority social areas for sustainable development.
- IV. Priority areas in natural resource utilization, environmental protection and pollution control for sustainable development.
- V. Sustainable development implementation

Sustainable Development Principles

- Human beings are centered
- Economic development
- Environment is inseparable from the development process
- Balance between current and future generations



Sustainable Development Principles

- Science and technology is the foundation and momentum
- Sustainable development is the cause of the whole society
- Independent and integration
- Guarantee of national defense, security and social safety...



Priority Activities

- **Development of an institutional system supporting SD**
- **Strengthening SD management capacity of staff**
- **Mobilizing participation of the people in the implementation of SD**
- **Development and implementation of LA21& SA21**
- **Mobilizing and allocating resources for implementation of Vietnam Agenda 21**
- **Strengthening international and regional cooperation in SD**



Institution Development

- The Vietnam Agenda 21 Office under MPI was established (late 2004)
- MPI issues Circular on guiding sectors and localities to formulate SA21 and LA21 in 2005
- The National Council on SD (NCSD) was established on 27 September 2005
- Draft the SD Action Plan 2005-2010
- Draft the Operational Procedures of the NCSD



Strengthening Capacity

- **Workshops**
- **Publications**
- **Trainings**
- **Study visits...**
- **Forums**

Mobilizing participation

- **SD communication campaigns: TV, Radios, Newspapers...**
- **Scientific researches**
- **Involvement of mass organizations: Women Union, Youth Union...**



Local Agenda 21 & Sectoral Agenda 21

- 6 pilot provinces: Son La, Thai Nguyen, Ninh Binh, Quang Nam, Lam Dong, Ben Tre
- 4 pilot sectors: Agriculture, Fishery, Construction and Industry

Mobilizing and allocating resources

Strengthening international and regional cooperation

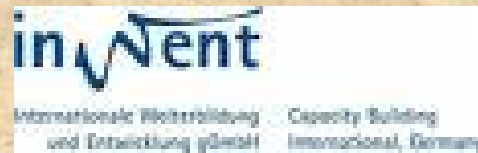








SD International Cooperation



Implementation Mechanisms

Implementation Challenges

- Lack of technical and institutional capacity
- Overlap in Duties and Institutional Gaps
- Monitoring and Evaluation system are limited
- Sustainable Development Awareness

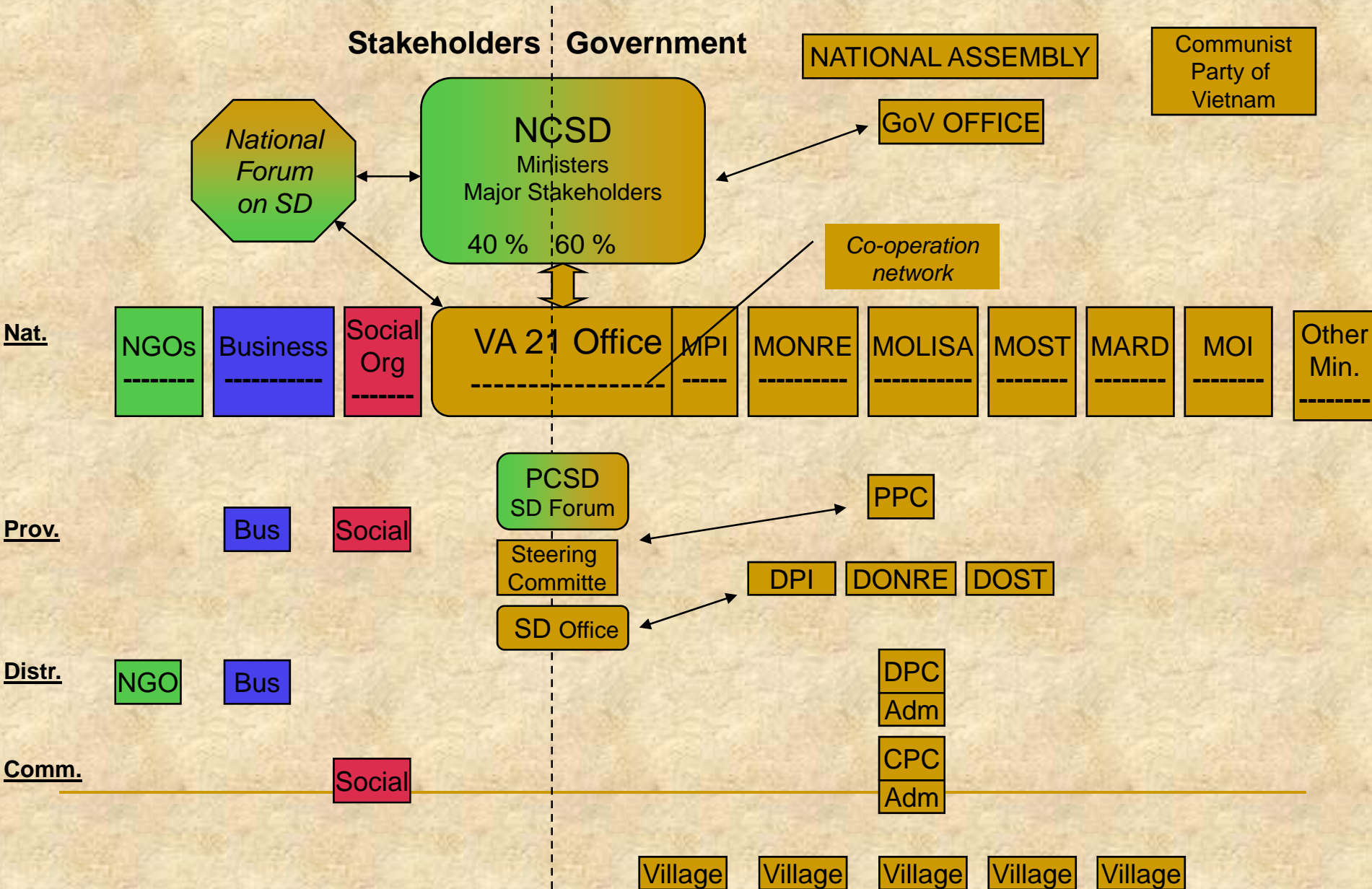
Implementation Mechanisms

Orientation to implement Vietnam Agenda 21 in the coming time

- Strengthening the capacity of agencies in charge of managing and coordinating SD activities
- Development and Implementation of Local and Sectoral Agenda 21
- Communication and raising awareness of SD
- Promoting Best Practices and Knowledge Sharing
- Need for Robust Monitoring and Evaluation Mechanism
- Mobilizing resources for implementation
- International Cooperation



National Multi-Stakeholder Council for Steering SD (NCSD)



National Multi-Stakeholder Council
for Steering Sustainable Development (NCSD)



VA 21 Office

Chief of VA 21 Office

Deputy Chief
Administration

Deputy Chief
Coordination & Support

Secretariat for
NCSD & National
Forum on SD

- Secretary of NCSD (chief)
- Vice Secretary of NCSD (deputy)
- Officers (2)

Administrative
Division

- Secretary (3)
- Accountant (1)
- Interpreter (2)
- Assistant (4)
- Driver (1)

Coordination & Support Division

- Policies, Plans, M&E (2)
- Provincial & Local Level (1)
- Ministries and Sectors (1)
- Information & Communication (1)
- Training and Education (1)
- SD Technology (1)
- International Cooperation (dep)

Professional Networks

- Institutes / Universities
- Experts

SD Officials (part-timers or guests)

- MPI / MONRE / MOST / MOLISA /
MOI / MARD / MOC / MOF / OOG
 - PROVINCES
 - STAKEHOLDERS

Cooperation
& Support

Cooperation
& Support

Cooperation
& Support

Thanks for your attention!

<http://www.va21.org>



Viet Nam Agenda 21 Office