

So what?

Northwest Vietnam

(Dien Bien, Son La, Yen Bai)

Continent: Asia | Annual rainfall: Country: Vietnam | 1400-2500mm

Payments for forest ecosystem services (PFES)



Decree No. 99/2010/ND-CP mandated that users have to pay for forest ecosystem services. The norm of payment for hydropower plants is 0.001 USD kwh⁻¹; 0.002 USD m⁻³ for domestic water production and supply; and 1-2% for organizations and individuals conducting tourism activities.

The amount of compensation paid for forest owners in Dien Bien, Son La (in 2013) and Yen Bai (in 2012) is 600, 450, and 1060 thousand USD, respectively.

Ecosystem services perceptions by land use type

	Females	Males
Annual crops	Food production	Food production
	Raw materials	Raw materials
	Pollination	Erosion control
Forest	Climate regulation	Climate regulation
	Erosion control	Erosion control
	Disturbance regulation	Disturbance regulation
Tree-based/ Agroforestry	Raw materials	Raw materials
	Food production	Food production
	Erosion control	Erosion control

Existing laws supporting forest ecosystem services

Ecosystem services	Legal framework	Content
Biodiversity Protection	Law of Environmental Protection 2005	Biodiversity protection must be implemented based on the assurance of the rights and legitimate benefits of local community
Landscape Beauty	Law of Environmental Protection 2005	Natural landscapes are to be protected
	Land Law 2003	Coastal and "famous" landscapes are to be protected and managed
Watershed Protection	Law on Water Resources 1998 and Decree No. 197/1999/ND-CP: Stipulating the Implementation of the Law on Water Resources	Prevent the deterioration of water resources
	Law on Forest Protection and Development 2004	Watershed protection is one of the purposes of protection forests
	Law on Environmental Protection 2005	River's water and river basins must be protected and managed, and benefits to communities ensured
Carbon Sequestration	Law on Forest Protection and Development 2004	Climate regulation is one of the purposes of protection forests

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