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Utilizing digital technology to broaden the scope of forest conservation efforts in Lao PDR.

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- II. Methodology Development
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 - The Core Components of OLDM
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- V. Results & Summary



I. BACKGROUND

- From 2018 onwards the "Operational Logging and Degradation Monitoring System" (OLDMs) has been used in National Protected Areas (NPAs) by the government and development partners:
 - i. ADB-Biodiversity Conservation Corridors (BCC)
 - ii. Kfw-Integrated Conservation of Biodiversity and Forests (ICBF)
 - iii. GIZ-Protection and Sustainable Use of Forest Ecosystems and Biodiversity (ProFEB)
 - iv. GIZ-Forest Law Enforcement, Governance, and Trade Voluntary Partnership Agreements (FLEGT-VPA)
- 1. OLDMS is a flexible system for timely monitoring and response to logging and degradation events for a range of forestry, infrastructure, disaster management and land management activities, which is integrated into the Government of Lao PDR (GOL) management systems, with government staff, infrastructure, and capacity to do the work.



II. A Methodology Development

OLDMS Components 1 to 5

OLDMS – Main Component Tools

Component	Description		
1	Google Earth Engine running Delta-rNBR Algorithm Use Landsat-8 and Sentinel-2 satellite imagery in the Cloud to identify potential degradation locations	Google Earth Engine	European Commission
2	ArcGIS/QGIS and Planet Explorer To assess degradation with GIS and by comparing and downloading RapidEye and PlanetScope imagery to confirm locations of degradation/logging	ArcGIS	(P) EXPLORER
3	ArcGIS/QGIS To process satellite imagery, interpret imagery, prepare GIS datasets	ArcGIS	(P) EXPLORER
4	MangoMap and MAPC2MAPC64 Web-based mapping to share data for collaboration with Provincial Teams and FLUP data with other projects and Android Data Conversion Software	🛑 Mango	
5	Android Tablets/Smartphones with ODK Collect, KoBo Toolbox and Oruxmaps Field data collection forms and GIS for field navigation and backup		



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B. OLDMS supports forest degradation monitoring in a timely manner at all levels



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III. Simplified OLDMS Cycle – Law Enforcement

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Example of a Delta-rNBR Degradation Event









Example of 3-D Views for Analysis and Access

Use 3-D Views, PlanetScope and Very High-Resolution Imagery within GIS to Review Potential Field Locations and Plot Tracks to Access





Comparing satellite image data with Planetscop and Delta-rNBR





Sentinel-2 10m Multispectral Satellite Imagery with InfraRed-Red-Green Band Combination

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Filter retrieves data and shows areas of deforestation



Reference picture (picture taken in the previous period)

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Target Image (Later Image) + Deforestation Spot (Red)



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The OLDMS Group divides into Teams to analyze the point locations and plan missions for the fieldwork

Field Survey and Logging Interdiction

The OLDMS Joint Central and Provincial Teams go to the Field for Logging Survey to Verify Degradation Event and Document the Location and Details for Future Action (Hold, Seize, Court-Order, Confiscate, Register, Auction, De-Register, Release, Enters Supply Chain)





Field Survey Forms





OLDMS for Law Enforcement: – Annual OLDMS Cycle





IV. Results & Summary

OLDMS for Protected Areas Management

- 1. Involved Staff from DoFI, DOF and the Provinces who participated in the OLDMS Training and Fieldwork were able to successfully implement the methodology and achieve a successful result.
- 2. Delta_rNBR is able to be an accurate and highly useful tool for early detection of forest degradation and logging.
- 3. The OLDMS Methodology can also easily and accurately detect Shifting Cultivation and any Changes of 0.5 Hectares or Larger, so is an appropriate and highly useful tool.



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