



FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS TO THE DIRECTIVES GIVEN AT THE 21ST MEETING OF THE FCG/ASSP
8-9 November 2018, Langkawi, Malaysia

Issues	Para	Responsible Department	Progress (1st Quarter) (November 2018-January 2019)	Status
III. ASEAN-SEAFDEC Strategic Partnership (ASSP) and Fisheries Consultative Group (FCG) Collaborative Programs for the Year 2018-2019				
4.1 Summary Report of the Fisheries Consultative Group (FCG) of the ASEAN-SEAFDEC Strategic Partnership (ASSP) Collaborative Programs for the Year 2018-2019				
- SEAFDEC to focus on enhancing the capacities of the Member Countries, <i>i.e.</i> providing technical assistance to the Member Countries in establishing their respective national reference points towards the harvest control rules of transboundary stocks, and in the analysis of the Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY) and Total Allowable Effort (TAE) of target species.	14	MFRDMD	MFRDMD will assist AMSs with these concerns	In progress
IV. Policy Consideration on International Fisheries-related Issues				
6.1 Combating IUU Fishing (Progress report in implementation/development)				
<i>6.1.2 Progress on Regional Fishing Vessels Record for Vessels 24 m in Length and Over</i>				
- TD to clarify the objective of the RFVR Database because if it could be confirmed that fishing vessels not included in the RFVR Database are considered as illegal fishing vessels	26	TD	The RFVR Database is intended as a tool to combat IUU fishing, and the data in RFVR Database is continually updated by AMSs. The fishing vessels in the RFVR Database are confirmed as non-IUU fishing vessels. But vessels not in the RFVR Database could not be considered and treated as IUU fishing vessels, however, it is recommended that the countries should find ways for confirming the status of such vessels.	Ongoing
<i>6.1.5 Progress on Implementation of the Regional Plan of Action for the Management of Fishing Capacity (RPOA-Capacity)</i>				
- SEC to compile information additional feedback of AMSs to the questionnaire and further submit to the ASEAN Mechanism	37	SEC	There are three countries provided feedback to the Secretariat (Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand). Summary of the results was presented at the PCM in 2018 and subsequently to the Council in 2019.	Ongoing
6.2 Promotion on Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture in ASEAN Region				
<i>6.2.1 Regional Plan of Action for Sustainable Utilization of Neritic Tunas in the ASEAN Region</i>				
- SEC to continue providing support to AMSs to improve their capacity to manage their tuna resources, and convey the results of their works to the relevant RFMOs	44	SEC	The result from stock assessment on Kawakawa and Longtail tuna in Pacific and Indian Ocean will be further presented to relevant RFMO. It is planned that Dr. Nishida will directly present the result of this to IOTC Commission in 2019. And the result will be submitted to WCPFC for their information and reference.	In progress

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- SEC to explore how the management recommendations on neritic tunas could be put into practice in the Southeast Asian region	45	SEC	Ongoing process in consultation with the ASEAN Secretariat and other project managers of the relevant regional initiatives	In progress
6.2.2 Progress on Conservation and Management of Catadromous Eel Resources and Promotion of Sustainable Aquaculture in the Southeast Asia				
- SEC to seek approval the Policy Guidelines from the SEAFDEC Council <i>ad referendum</i> , and subsequently circulate to the 21FCG/ASSP countries' head delegates requesting comments within two weeks for <i>ad referendum</i> endorsement to ASWGFi	50	SEC and MFRDMD	Ongoing (submission for endorsement by the SEAFDEC Council <i>ad referendum</i> as well as through ASEAN mechanism). The Secretariat in collaboration with MFRDMD will request the 51 st Meeting of Council in March 2019 for their consideration and endorsement of this document.	Ongoing
6.2.3 Progress of the Proposed Establishment of an Aquatic Emergency Preparedness and Response System for Effective Management of Transboundary Disease Outbreaks in Southeast Asia				
- Establishment of technical guidelines /mechanism for early warning system for aquatic animal diseases	53	AQD	Technical lead person and consultants are currently collecting and collating data from AMSs for the draft of the guidelines	Ongoing
6.3 Ensuring the Food Safety and Quality of Fish and Fishery Products in ASEAN Seafood				
6.3.1 Progress on Regional Guidelines on Cold Chain Management for Seafood				
- Submit the draft Guidelines to the SEAFDEC Council in 2019 for endorsement, and subsequently submit to the ASEAN mechanism for implementation	56	MFRD	The draft Guidelines would be submitted to the SEAFDEC Council in March 2019 for endorsement.	Ongoing
6.4 CITES Issues				
- Submit ASEAN common /coordinated position once endorsed by the SEAFDEC Council	56	SEC	RC on for Development of the ASEAN-SEAFDEC Common Position on the Proposed Listing of Commercially-exploited Aquatic Species into the CITES Appendices was held on 30-31 January 2019 in Bangkok, Thailand. The representative from Malaysia, <i>Mr. Lawrence Kissol Jr.</i> , served as Chairperson of the RC which came up with the Member Countries' positions on the proposed listing of several CEAS into the CITES Appendix II, which had been circulated to the SEAFDEC Council for endorsement <i>ad referendum</i> . There is one common position of AMS "not to support" the proposal for listing Mako sharks into the CITES Appendix II.	Done