PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

The SEAFDEC Program Committee is a subsidiary body of the SEAFDEC Council, established with the responsibility of scrutinizing matters related to the SEAFDEC programs of activity. After the establishment of the ASEAN-SEAFDEC Strategic Partnership (ASSP) in 2006, it was agreed that the annual SEAFDEC Program Committee Meetings (PCM) should be held back-to-back with the annual meeting of the Fisheries Consultative Group (FCG) of the ASSP around December of each year. This would allow closer cooperation among the ASEAN, SEAFDEC and the Member Countries. In addition, such scheduling of the two meetings would provide opportunities for close linkage of the ASEAN-SEAFDEC fisheries collaborative programs, and facilitate the submission of recommendations to the SEAFDEC Council and the ASEAN Sectoral Working Group on Fisheries (ASWGFi) with respect of the implementation of such programs.

This year, the SEAFDEC Program Committee will convene its 43rd Meeting from 10 to 12 November 2020 through unconventional procedures due to the unusual situation brought about by the onslaught of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, to review the results of program implementation during the year 2020 and endorse the proposed programs of activity for the year 2021. The program scrutiny would take into consideration the ASEAN-SEAFDEC Resolution and Plan of Action on Sustainable Fisheries for Food Security for the ASEAN Region Towards 2030, the priorities and needs of the Member Countries, and the relevant policy directives given by the Council at its previous meetings. The outputs of the program scrutiny and agreed recommendations of the PCM will be, as appropriate, submitted to the forthcoming Meeting of the SEAFDEC Council for consideration and approval, and for endorsement by the ASWGFi through the FCG/ASSP.

Documents
REF01  Terms of Reference of the SEAFDEC Program Committee
REF02  Terms of Reference of the SEAFDEC National Coordinators
REF03  Report of the Forty-second Meeting of the Program Committee of the Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center
REF04  Report of the Twenty-second Meeting of the Fisheries Consultative Group of the ASEAN-SEAFDEC Strategic Partnership (FCG/ASSP)
REF05  Report of the Fifty-second Meeting of the Council of the Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center (Teleconference Session on 19 May 2020 and Ad Referendum Session)
REF06  Resolution and Plan of Action on Sustainable Fisheries for Food Security for the ASEAN Region Towards 2030

Agenda 1: Opening of the Meeting
The Secretary-General of SEAFDEC, in her capacity as the Chairperson of the Committee, also welcomes the participants, delivers her Opening Remarks and declares the Meeting open.

Agenda 2: Adoption of Agenda and Arrangements of the Meeting
The Chairperson invites the Committee to consider and adopt, as are or as amended, the Provisional List of Documents, Agenda, Timetable, and Annotated Agenda as proposed by the SEAFDEC Secretariat.

Documents
INF01  Information Note for the Participants
Agenda 3: Review of SEAFDEC Program Implementation in 2020 and Proposed Programs for the Year 2021

The SEAFDEC programs in 2020 and for 2021 are categorized into: Programs under the ASEAN-SEAFDEC Strategic Partnership and Fisheries Consultative Group (FCG/ASSP) Mechanism, Departmental Programs, Other Programs, and Pipeline Programs. Specifically, the Programs under the FCG/ASSP Mechanism are classified in each group that corresponds to the Strategies of the SEAFDEC Program Framework adopted by the Council in 2017. These Strategies are: (i) Securing the Sustainability of Fisheries to Contribute to Food Security, Poverty Alleviation, and Livelihood of People in the Region; (ii) Supporting the Sustainable Growth of Aquaculture to Complement Fisheries and Contribute to Food Security, Poverty Alleviation, and Livelihood of People in the Region; (iii) Ensuring the Food Safety and Quality of Fish and Fishery Products for the Southeast Asian Region; (iv) Enhancing Trade and Compliance of the Region’s Fish and Fishery Products with Market Requirements; (v) Addressing Cross-Cutting Issues, such as Labor, Gender and Climate Change, where Related to International Fisheries; and (vi) Empowering SEAFDEC to Strengthen its Roles in the Region and to Improve its Services to Member Countries.

The overview of the program structure and directions will be presented by the SEAFDEC Secretariat. This will be followed by program or project presentations by respective project leaders or relevant SEAFDEC staff on the results of implementation of programs of activity in 2020, as well as proposed programs of activities for 2021 for scrutiny by the Program Committee. The presentations focus on the major achievements of project implementation of the existing and/or new programs. The presentations may also include results of the implementation of the recommendations of the Program Committee at its 42nd Meeting and directives given by the Council during its 52nd Meeting.

After each presentation, the Committee may wish to seek clarification and/or to provide comments on the proposed programs of activity in response to the needs and interest of the Member Countries.

3.1 Programs under the Fisheries Consultative Group of the ASEAN-SEAFDEC Strategic Partnership (FCG/ASSP) Mechanism for the Year 2020-2021

3.1.1 Strategy 1: Securing the sustainability of fisheries to contribute to food security, poverty alleviation and livelihood of people in the region

- Strengthening a Regional Cooperation and Enhancing National Capacities to Eliminate IUU Fishing in Southeast Asia
- Harmonization and Enhancing Utilization of Fishery Statistics and Information
- Responsible Fishing Technology and Practice
- Research for Enhancement of Sustainable Utilization and Management of Sharks and Rays in the Southeast Asian Region
- Sustainable Utilization of Anguillid Eels in the Southeast Asian Region
- Sustainable Utilization of Fisheries Resources and Resources Enhancement in Southeast Asia
- Fisheries Management Strategies for Pelagic Fish Resources in the Southeast Asian Region
- Management Scheme of Inland Fisheries in the Southeast Asian Region
- Small-scale Fisheries Management for Better Livelihood and Fisheries Resources
- Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries Refugia in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand
- Strengthening the Effective Management of Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture in AMS with GIS and RS Technology
3.1.2 Strategy II: Supporting the sustainable growth of aquaculture to complement fisheries and contribute to food security, poverty alleviation and livelihood of people in the region
 ● Sustainable Aquaculture through Cost-Effective Culture Systems, and Prompt and Effective Aquatic Animal Health Management

Documents
WP03-St2-1 Sustainable Aquaculture through Cost-Effective Culture Systems, and Prompt and Effective Aquatic Animal Health Management

3.1.3 Strategy III: Ensuring the food safety and quality of fish and fishery products for the Southeast Asian region
 ● Enhancing Food Safety and Competitiveness of Seafood Products

Documents
WP03-St3-1 Enhancing Food Safety and Competitiveness of Seafood Products

3.1.4 Strategy IV: Enhancing trade and compliance of the region’s fish and fishery products with market requirements
 ● Nil

3.1.5 Strategy V: Addressing cross-cutting issues, such as labor, gender and climate change, where related to international fisheries
 ● Assistance for Capacity Building Development in the Region to Address International Fisheries-related Issues

Documents
WP03-St5-1 Assistance for Capacity Building Development in the Region to Address International Fisheries-related Issues
3.1.6 Strategy VI: Empowering SEAFDEC to strengthen its roles in the region and to improve its services to Member Countries
   ● Fisheries Resource Survey & Operational Plan for M.V. SEAFDEC 2

Documents
WP03-St6-1 Fisheries Resource Survey and Operational Plan for the M.V. SEAFDEC 2

3.1.7 New project

Strategy III: Ensuring the food safety and quality of fish and fishery products for the Southeast Asian region
   ● ASEAN-JICA Food Value Chain Development Project (JICA)

Documents
WP03-St3-2 ASEAN-JICA Food Value Chain Development Project

Strategy I: Securing the sustainability of fisheries to contribute to food security, poverty alleviation and livelihood of people in the region
   ● ASEAN-JICA Capacity Building Project on IUU Fishing Countermeasures in Southeast Asia (JICA)
   ● Reduction of Marine Debris from Fisheries in Southeast Asia (JAIF)

Documents
WP03-St1-13 ASEAN-JICA Capacity Building Project on IUU Fishing Countermeasures in Southeast Asia
WP03-St1-14 Regional Collaborative Research and Capacity Building for Monitoring and Reduction of Marine Debris from Fisheries in Southeast Asia

3.2 Departmental Programs

This session has no presentations, however the Program Committee is invited to take note of the progress and achievements of the Departmental Programs and also endorse the programs for implementation in 2020

3.2.1 Aquaculture Department
   ● Quality Seed for Sustainable Aquaculture
   ● Healthy and Wholesome Aquaculture
   ● Maintaining Environmental Integrity through Responsible Aquaculture
   ● Adapting to Climate Change
   ● Meeting Social and Economic Challenges in Aquaculture
   ● Collaborative Projects with the Philippine Government

Documents
WP03-D-AQD-1 Quality Seed for Sustainable Aquaculture
WP03-D-AQD-2 Healthy and Wholesome Aquaculture
WP03-D-AQD-3 Maintaining Environmental Integrity through Responsible Aquaculture
WP03-D-AQD-4 Meeting Social and Economic Challenges in Aquaculture
WP03-D-AQD-5 Adapting to Climate Change
WP03-D-AQD-6 Collaborative Projects with the Philippine Government

3.2.2 Training Department
   ● Promotion on Strengthening of SEAFDEC Visibility and Enhancing Human Capacity Building
   ● Improvement of Fisheries Technology and Reduction of the Impact from Fishing
   ● SEAFDEC Capacity Development through USAID Sustainable Fish Asia
Activity

Documents
WP03-D-TD-1 Promotion on Strengthening of SEAFDEC Visibility and Enhancing Human Capacity Building
WP03-D-TD-2 Improvement of Fisheries Technology and Reduction of the Impact from Fishing Activities
WP03-D-TD-3 SEAFDEC Capacity Development through USAID Sustainable Fish Asia Activity

3.2.3 Inland Fishery Resources Development and Management Department

- Modernizing Irrigated Agriculture to Protect and Restore Aquatic Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services in South-East Asia

Documents
WP03-D-IFRMD-1 Modernizing Irrigated Agriculture to Protect and Restore Aquatic Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services in South-East Asia

3.3 Other Programs

The representative from Departments report on the progress of implementation in 2019 and propose activities in the 2020. The Program Committee invited to take note the progress implementation in 2020 and endorse corresponding activities for implementation in 2021.

- Implementing the Lower Mekong Fish Passage Initiative in Cambodia, Thailand, and Vietnam
- Gender Dimension in the Value Chain of Small-scale Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia (FAO & TD)
- Implementing the Strategic Action Programme for the South China Sea
- Seminar-Workshop on Aquaculture Development in Southeast Asia (ADSEA)

Documents
WP03-OP-1 Implementing the Lower Mekong Fish Passage Initiative in Cambodia, Thailand, and Vietnam
WP03-OP-2 Gender Dimension in the Value Chain of Small-scale Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia
WP03-OP-3 Implementing the Strategic Action Programme for the South China Sea
WP03-OP-4 Seminar-Workshop on Aquaculture Development in Southeast Asia (ADSEA)
REF08 Practical Guide for Gender Analysis in Small-scale Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia

Agenda 4: Pipeline Projects and Emerging Needs for Preparation of Future Project Proposals

This session has no presentation, but the Program Committee is invited to comment/discuss and advise on the pipeline projects to facilitate the finalization of such projects. The Program Committee is also invited to express the emerging needs and provide suggestion on how the identified needs could be addressed. The information could then be used as basis for packaging future proposals and submission for funding.

4.1 Sustainable management of fisheries, marine living resources and their habitats in the Bay of Bengal region for the benefit of coastal states and communities: Support to SEAFDEC Member Countries

4.2 GoTFish: Promoting sustainable use of the Gulf of Thailand fishery resources through the Blue Economy and the Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries
4.3 World Bank project: Piloting the electronic ASEAN Catch Documentation Scheme (eACDS) in Viet Nam
4.4 Ocean Relief through Seaweed Aquaculture
4.5 Improving Healthy Ocean Ecosystems through Trawling Best Practices and Fishing Technology Innovations
4.6 Proposal on Implementation and Assessment of Fishing Capacity and Zoning System for Southeast Asia
4.7 ASEAN Regional Technical Consultation on Aquatic Emergency Preparedness and Response Systems for Effective Management of Transboundary Disease Outbreaks in Southeast Asia – Phase 2

Documents
WP04-1 Sustainable management of fisheries, marine living resources and their habitats in the Bay of Bengal region for the benefit of coastal states and communities: Support to SEAFDEC Member Countries
WP04-2 GoTFish: Promoting sustainable use of the Gulf of Thailand fishery resources through the Blue Economy and the Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries
WP04-3 World Bank project: Piloting the electronic ASEAN Catch Documentation Scheme (eACDS) in Viet Nam
WP04-4 Ocean Relief through Seaweed Aquaculture
WP04-5 Improving Healthy Ocean Ecosystems through Trawling Best Practices and Fishing Technology Innovations
WP04-6 Proposal on Implementation and Assessment of Fishing Capacity and Zoning System for Southeast Asia
WP04-7 ASEAN Regional Technical Consultation on Aquatic Emergency Preparedness and Response Systems for Effective Management of Transboundary Disease Outbreaks in Southeast Asia – Phase 2

Agenda 5: Cooperation with Donors, Non-member Governments, and International/Regional Organizations

The SEAFDEC Secretariat requested the donors, non-member governments, and international/regional organizations to submit the statement on relevant fisheries programs and potential areas of mutual collaboration with SEAFDEC to the Secretariat and then the SEAFDEC will extract the summary into the report.

Documents (received as of 31 October 2020)
WP05-1 Statement by FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific
WP05-2 Statement by INFOFISH
WP05-3 Statement by Mekong River Commission

Agenda 6: Other Matters

Any other matters requiring consideration by the Committee will be presented for discussion and consideration.

6.1 Outline of SEASOFIA 2022 (SEC)

The Secretariat presents the progress in preparation of the publication on “Southeast Asian State of Fisheries and Aquaculture (SEASOFIA),” of which the draft inputs was prepared as collaborative efforts among SEAFDEC Secretariat and Departments, and it is expected that the publication would be published in 2022. Specifically, the Program Committee is requested to take note of the draft Southeast SEASOFIA 2020 based on the currently available inputs, and provide comment for improvement of the publication. The Program Committee is also requested to facilitate provision of additional inputs/comment on the content of the publication by the end of December 2021.
6.2 Study on Impacts of Coronavirus-2019 Pandemic on Fisheries Sector of the ASEAN-SEAFDEC Member Countries

The Secretariat presents the concept note of the Study on Impacts from Coronavirus-2019 Pandemic on the Fisheries Sector of the ASEAN-SEAFDEC Member Countries. The Program Committee is requested to provide comments on the concept proposal developed by SEAFDEC for gathering of views from the respective countries.

6.3 Global Marine Protected Areas (MPA) -2030 (Japan)
6.4 Marine plastic litters from fishing vessels – IMO Meeting (Japan)
6.5 Updating JTF Budget Request Process in Japan (Japan)
6.6 Potential of Marine Eco-label (Japan)

The representative from Japan introduces the working paper for Agenda 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, and 6.6

6.7 Others (If any)

Documents
WP06-1 Preparation for Southeast Asian State of Fisheries and Aquaculture (SEASOFIA) 2022
WP06-2 Concept Proposal of Study on Impacts of Coronavirus-2019 Pandemic on the Fisheries Sector of ASEAN-SEAFDEC Member Countries
WP06-3 30% Global Target of Marine Protected Area in post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework
WP06-4 Amendment to Regulations on Discharge or Loss of Fishing Gear from Ships Stipulated in the MARPOL Annex V
WP06-5 Updates on JTF Budget Requests in Japan and Member States Cooperation
WP06-6 Potential of Marine Eco-label
REF09 Report of the SEAFDEC Webinar on Impact of the COVID-19 on Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia

Agenda 7: Conclusions and Recommendations of the Forty-third Meeting of the Program Committee

7.1 Adoption of the Report of the Meeting

The Program Committee considers and adopts the Report of the 43rd Meeting including the recommendations raised during the Meeting.

7.2 Date and Venue of the Forty-fourth Meeting of the Program Committee

The Program Committee considers and discusses the initial arrangements including the date and venue of the 44th Meeting of the Program Committee.

Agenda 8: Closing of the Meeting

The Chairperson concludes the Meeting and declares the Meeting closed.