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# FINANCE COMMITTEE

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**Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific  
(APHCA) – Statement of Accounts and Budget for 2023**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- This document provides information on the statement of accounts, budget and expenditures of the Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific (APHCA).

GUIDANCE SOUGHT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

- The Committee is invited to take note of the Commission's financial position and the approved workplan and budget for 2023.

## **FAO Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific (APHCA)**

1. The Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific (APHCA) is an Article XIV body whose Secretariat is financed from the contributions of its Member Nations (MNs) through annual membership contributions, the amount of which is agreed at the General Sessions.
2. The proposed budget for 2023 is reported below and was approved during the 43rd Business Meeting and 81st Executive Meeting of the APHCA held in Singapore on 11 November 2022 in a hybrid setting.
3. The APHCA currently has 18 member countries. APHCA members proposed the following nominations for the biennium 2023-24:
  - Chairperson: India;
  - Vice-Chairperson (one) and Executive Committee members (three): from Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Malaysia, Nepal and Pakistan.
4. The 43rd Business Meeting and 81st Executive Meeting of APHCA discussed and approved the proposed budget and workplan for 2023 for a total of USD 95 000. To the extent possible, the APHCA Secretariat will try to identify additional funding resources to support APHCA activities.
5. Expenditures of approximately USD 18 053 (for the period to 30 October 2022) were spent against a total available budget of USD 90 000 for 2022. Most activities were implemented as planned, however at a lower cost to APHCA, as some activities were co-funded through other resources and the COVID-19 pandemic limited some travel and activities.
6. The up-to-date status of contributions as of 30 October 2022 reported outstanding contributions due from member countries of USD 181 249. Five countries currently owe outstanding amounts for three years or more (the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mongolia, Papua New Guinea), and six countries outstanding amounts for two years (Bangladesh, Bhutan, Indonesia, Pakistan, Samoa and Sri Lanka).
7. In discussing hosting arrangements for the next APHCA Executive Committee Meeting, the participants agreed on the value of having the 2023 Executive Committee Meeting in combination with other relevant regional events. The incoming Chairperson for 2023 (India) proposed to hold it back-to-back with the 2nd World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH) Regional Commission Meeting of Asia and the Pacific, organized in India in November 2023. This event will have the participation from all 32 member countries across the region and it was agreed that it would be an ideal event for expanding the membership.

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**2023 budget (USD) as endorsed by the 43rd APHCA Business Session and**  
**81st Executive Meeting**

| <b>Activities</b>   | <b>Budget USD</b> |
|---|-------------------|
| 1. Review of APHCA and development of five-year plan                                | 10 000            |
| 2. Publish practical guidelines on Livestock Transportation and Slaughter Practices | 5 000             |
| 3. Develop open access virtual courses based on APHCA products                      | 15 000            |
| 4. Improve support for APHCA website and outreach                                   | 5 000             |
| 5. APHCA Business Meeting with member countries                                     | 40 000*           |
| 6. Coordination and support to APHCA Secretariat                                    | 20 000            |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>95 000</b>     |

\*Tentative; placeholder to organize face-to-face APHCA Business Meeting – to be determined.