



**End of Project Workshop 2019
Evidence Based Risk Management
Along the Livestock Production and Market Chain
OSRO/RAS/606/USA**

26-27 November 2019, Bangkok, Thailand

CONCEPT NOTE

BACKGROUND

South East Asia has continuously faced outbreaks and challenges to control Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI). The project “*Evidence Based Risk Management along the Livestock Production and Market Chain*” (OSRO/RAS/606/USA) was initiated to collectively apply the lessons learned from control of HPAI in the region over the past several years. The overall aim of the project was to identify HPAI risk pathways, formulate and pilot selected intervention approaches for avian influenza risk mitigation. Evidence based risk management along the livestock production and value chains formed the key principle of the project, which emphasizes the importance of stakeholder-wide engagement.

The project was launched with the support of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and Australia’s Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) in 2016. The project was launched in four targeted countries- Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Viet Nam, and various risk management initiatives at country level have been implemented. In addition, the project also supported various regional activities. Priority activities and mechanisms for risk mitigation were focused on the following areas: 1) strengthening multi-sectoral coordination for effective management and control of HPAI and other emerging zoonotic influenzas and transboundary animal diseases (TADs); 2) strengthening epidemiology capacities and networking at the regional level; and 3) strengthening evidence-based risk management along the livestock production and market chain.

A regional workshop for the project was organized in May 2018, which reviewed the progress of the project activities since the initiation of the project. Lessons learned, experiences and challenges were shared among participants along with options for improving project implementation. Meeting recommendations were provided which included requesting a no-cost extension of the project taking into account the delays in project implementation, following which a no-cost extension was approved until 31 Dec 2019. During 2019, project review missions were organized to all countries to follow up on progress of activities.

With the project now drawing to a close, the end of project workshop 2019 will report on the final outputs from the project activities and share the success and challenges of risk management interventions at country and regional levels amongst stakeholders. Additionally, the way forward for potential scale-up and advocacy for long-term sustainability and ownership of the risk management pilots will be discussed.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the workshop are to:

1. Present the results from regional and country activities from both national and regional perspectives.
2. Share success stories, and evidence from country and regional activities for experience sharing and advocacy among the key stakeholders.
3. Discuss challenges and agree on the way forward for scale up, sustainability and ownership of risk management practices developed through the project.

PARTICIPANTS

The participant number is approximately 50 including:

1. Key stakeholders for the country components including government officials from local and central levels, private sector partners, communities, gender groups, partners and others who have directly involved in the implementation of project activities, from: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Viet Nam
2. Representatives from ASEAN
3. Representatives from FAO country teams and FAO RAP
4. Representatives from DFAT, USAID
5. Invited experts

DATES AND VENUE

26-27 November 2019

Grande Centre Point Ploenchit, Bangkok, Thailand

EXPECTED OUTPUTS

1. Project outputs reported for country and regional activities
2. Project successes, lessons, and challenges shared amongst stakeholders for experience sharing and advocacy.
3. Recommendations for scale-up and sustainability of risk management initiatives identified
4. Meeting report summarizing the above.

Provisional Agenda

Day 1: Tuesday 26 November 2019		
Time	Topic	Presenter
08:30 – 09:00	Registration	
09:00 – 10:00	Session 1: Opening Session and Introduction	Madhur Dhingra
09:00 – 09:30	Opening Remarks by (DFAT, USAID, FAO)	DFAT, USAID, FAO
09:30 – 9:40	Introduction of participants	Madhur Dhingra
09:45 – 10:00	Project Background, Objectives and Outcomes	Madhur Dhingra
Coffee break and Group Photograph (10:00- 10:30)		
10:00 –12:30	Session 2: Presentation of country outputs	Ian Dacre
10:00 –10:30	Regional project outputs and outcomes Q & A	Madhur Dhingra
11:00–12:30	Country project outputs (20 min) Q & A	Country teams
Lunch (12.30-13.30)		
13:30 –17.00	Session 3: Gallery Walk and Country Expo	Aurelie Brioudes
13:30 –13:40	Introduction to Session- Country achievements and success stories	Madhur Dhingra
13:40 –15:30	Gallery walk	Country teams
Coffee break (15:30- 16:00)		
16:00–17:00	Panel Discussion: Challenges and lessons learned in project implementation	Daniela Scalise Madhur Dhingra
Day 2: Wednesday, 27 November 2019		
9:00 – 9:10	Recap from day 1	Madhur Dhingra
9:10– 12:30	Session 4: Group work- Scale up, sustainability and way forward	
9:10– 9:15	Introduction to the session	Madhur Dhingra
9:15 – 10:30	Group work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sustainability of risk management intervention - Areas of potential scale up - Challenges for sustainability, scale up in the future 	Country teams and RAP facilitators
Coffee break (10.30-11.00)		
11:00- 12:30	Panel Discussion: Scale up, sustainability and way forward for risk management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In country - Regional 	Kachen/Nick Harris
Lunch (12.30-14.00)		
14:00 –15:00	Conclusions and way forward	Kachen Wongsathapornchai
15:00	Closing of Workshop	