

CONCEPT NOTE

THE 2019 ANNUAL REGIONAL MEETING FOR EMERGENCY CENTER FOR TRANSBOUNDARY ANIMAL DISEASES REGIONAL PROGRAMME FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (AREM)

6-8 March 2019
Phuket, Thailand

1. Background:

The FAO Asia programme on highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI), under Regional ECTAD/RAP, was launched in early 2006. The First Annual Meeting of the Asia Regional Programme on HPAI meeting was held in January 2007 in Bangkok which provided an important opportunity for the programme staff in the Region to meet as a group and develop a common understanding of the complex issues and challenges to be dealt with in the Region. Since then, the Annual Regional Meeting for the ECTAD Regional Programme in Asia and the Pacific (AREM) have been organized with a motivation to and focus on evolving each meeting over this time period. Each AREM has given an opportunity to ECTAD teams from country, regional and headquarter levels to review the ongoing activities and re-evaluate ECTAD's future direction taking into account the changes likely to take place in the next few years—both within and outside FAO.

As the majority of projects under the ECTAD Programme at global, regional and country levels will finish by the end 2019, there is a need for the ECTAD teams at country and regional levels to discuss the countries' and regional needs, strategic focuses and scope of work for the next 5 years. Therefore, the 13th AREM will be focusing on the possible future scenarios and outline the programme for ECTAD-Asia after 2019. It would be a good opportunity to also have key personnel from AGAH and ECTAD teams from headquarters and African region to attend for sharing experience and aligning the future strategies and scope of the ECTAD programmes including the ECTAD outreach and impact assessment plans. Based on the obtained results, key elements for the future five-year Regional Strategy for High Impact Emerging and Re-emerging Transboundary Animal and Zoonotic Diseases in Asia 2021-2025 will be identified to plan for future review and preparation for the next strategy document. In addition to the above focus for the future and in view of FAO's new rules and regulations as well as possible delay of funding for 2019, the operations and administrative teams will also be involved in the discussion to ensure the efficient project delivery.

1. Objectives:

Within this context, the objectives for the AREM 2019 are:

- 1.1 Review the countries' and regional priorities focusing current disease/animal health situation, emerging matters that may influence livestock production, risk of disease introduction and animal health status, as well as the governments' policies to address the risks;
- 1.2 Based on the priorities, propose the innovative strategies and the scope of work which can be supporting countries to address the risks taking into considerations the impacts of FAO's ongoing activities;
- 1.3 Review the interests of potential development partners including USAID, ROK, DFAT, China, and others which can be matched and support to the identified countries' needs;
- 1.4 Review how to strengthen the communication and outreach within FAO and among ECTAD teams at various levels as well as collaboration with key partners;
- 1.5 Review and discuss the potential scenarios for project implementation and delivery based on the funding status during 2019-2020 and new FAO rules and regulations.

2. Expected Outputs and outcomes:

- 2.1 Updated information regarding to the countries' and regional priorities and needs;
- 2.2 Catalogs of areas which FAO can make contributions to address the regional and countries' needs in the next 3-5 years which can be used to package proposals based on the interest of various development partners;
- 2.3 Proposed plan which includes structure and implementation of ECTAD-Asia programme after December 2019 in various scenarios focusing on funding availability and scope required by development partners;
- 2.4 Refined narrative, key elements for ECTAD-Asia programme in the USAID-funded EDiT Next-Gen 2020-2024 in alignment with HQ and African ECTAD programmes;
- 2.5 Key recommendations and points identified to prepare for the draft Regional Strategy for Regional Strategy for High Impact Emerging and Re-emerging Transboundary Animal and Zoonotic Diseases in Asia 2021-2025;
- 2.6 A report/proceeding of the meeting.

3. Participants:

- 3.1 Country teams including Team Leaders or CTAs as well as one selected staff from Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Nepal and Viet Nam;
- 3.2 Technical and operations staff from ECTAD-RAP;
- 3.3 Relevant technical, Emergency Coordinator and Operations staff from HQ.

4. Venue:

Phuket, Thailand (Hotel to be confirmed).

5. Dates:

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Meeting Agenda:

Attached as Annex 1

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Day/Time	Details	Remarks
Day 1:	Wednesday, 6 March 2019	
Session 1:	Opening Session and Scene-Setting	
08.00-08.30	Registration	
08.30-08.40	Opening remarks	<i>Juan Lubroth</i>
08.40-10.00	Introduction, meeting objectives, meeting format and general updates	<i>Wantanee Kalpravidh</i>
10.00-10.30	FAO's Animal Health Related Programme – Global Perspectives	<i>Juan Lubroth</i>
10.30-11:00	<i>Coffee break and group photo</i>	
11.00-11.30	Team building exercise	<i>Wantanee and team</i>
Session 2:	Countries' Priorities and Needs	Madhur, Frank, Kachen and Andrew
11.30-12.30	Workshop to map countries' priorities and needs	
12.30-13.30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13.30-14.00	Facilitated discussion (continued)	<i>Wantanee</i>
Session 3:	Matching countries' needs with the key development partners based on their interest and conditional requirements	Madhur, Frank, Kachen and Andrew
14.00-14.45	Potential key development partners – interest and conditional requirements: USAID – Edit-NEXT GEN, DFAT, ROK, China, NZ, DTRA, others	<i>Facilitated by RAP with inputs from: Yilma Makonnen Wantanee Kalpravidh Yeun Kyung Shin Junxia Song Ian Dacre</i>
14.45-15.15	Potential key development partners – interest and conditional requirements-global level	<i>Dominique Burgeon via Skype</i>
15.15 –15.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15.30-16.00	Teambuilding exercise	<i>Wantanee Kalpravidh and Team</i>
Session 4:	Outreach and Communication	Diane, Jim
16.00-17.30	Outreach and communication: What does it mean and how we can do better from this point? New outreach strategy	<i>Diane, Jim and Pui supported by Frank and Nadia</i>
17.30	End of Day 1	

Day 2:	Thursday, 7 March 2019	
Session 5:	Focused area 1: Futures-focused policy and planning	Damian and Peter
08.30 – 09.00	Future scenarios for livestock policy development	<i>Peter Black</i>
09.00 - 10.00	Facilitated discussion: requirements and how to move on?	<i>To be facilitated by RAP</i>
10.00 – 10.30	Team building exercise	<i>Wantanee and team</i>
10.30 – 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
Session 6:	Focused area 2: Health systems capacity strengthening	Ian, Kachen, Filip, Yooni and Madhur
11.00-12.30	Health systems capacity building in alignment with GHSA: @ Laboratory System Strengthening; @ Workforce Development; and @ Emergency Operations Centre (EOC)	<i>World Café Sytle workshop facilitated by Filip, Shin, Kachen, Palm, Madhur, Aurelie, Yooni</i>
12.30 – 13.30	<i>Lunch</i>	
Session 7:	Focused area 3: AMR	
13.30 – 14.30	Updates from Pre-AREM AMR workshop and facilitated dicussion	<i>Katinka and Joy</i>
14.30 - 15.30	Report back from World Café on Health Systems	<i>Filip, Kachen, Madhur</i>
15.30 – 16.00	Team building exercise	<i>Wantanee and team</i>
16.00 – 16.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
Session 8:	Focused area 4: Enhancing private sector engagement	
16.30 – 17.30	Public-Private Partnerships	<i>Ian, Palm, Pui</i>
17.30 - 18.00	Briefing for working dinner	<i>To be facilitated by RAP</i>
18.00 – 20.00	Working dinner	<i>To be facilitated by RAP (Simon, Filip, Au, Aurelie and Frank)</i>
20.00	End of Day 2	

Day 3:	Friday, 8 March	
Session 8:	Focused area 5: Surveillance, risk assessment and mitigation	
08.30 – 10.00	Surveillance, risk assessment and mitigation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Innovative technologies and design - Livestock-wildlife-human interface - Others 	<i>Aurelie, Filip and Yooni</i>
Session 9:	Focused area 6: Emergency Management	
10.00 – 11.00	Emergency Management Mission: How we can do better from this point?	<i>Lee supported by Ian</i>
11.00 -11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.30 – 12.00	Team building exercise	<i>Wantanee and team</i>
Session 10:	Monitoring and evaluation	
12.00 – 13.00	M&E session	<i>Frank, Nadia and Irina</i>
13.00 – 14.00	<i>Lunch</i>	
Session 11:	Managing business continuity and future	Andrew, Mirela
14.00 – 15.30	Budget, operations and management issues	<i>Andrew, Mirela, Simon and William</i>
15.30-16.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
Session 10:	Conclusions and wrap up	Wantanee
16.00 – 17.30	Consolidation of meeting findings and formulation of a 'Post 2019 ECTAD Plan and EDiT-NEXT GEN'	
17:30	<i>Closing of Meeting</i>	

Rapporteurs: Peter Black and Gifthy