Agenda Item 3

ASIA AND PACIFIC COMMISSION ON AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

TWENTIETH SESSION

New Delhi, Republic of India, 20-24 September 2004

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Monday, 20 September 2004

09.00-10.00 hrs. Registration

10.00-10.30 hrs. Agenda Item 1
Opening of the Session
- Inaugural Address by the State Minister for Agriculture, Republic of India
- Key Note Address by Secretary, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation
- Opening Address by the Outgoing Chairman
- Statement by FAO Assistant Director-General and Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific
- Remarks by Director, Statistics Division, FAO
- Vote of Thanks by the Secretary of the Commission

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11.00 – 11.15 hrs. Agenda Item 2
Election of Chairperson, Vice-Chairpersons and Drafting Committee

Agenda Item 3
(Documents No. APCAS/04/1, APCAS/04/2, APCAS/04/3, and APCAS/04/INF2)
Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable

11.15-12.30 hrs.  Agenda Item 4
(Document No. APCAS/04/4)
FAO's Activities in Food and Agricultural Statistics during 2002 - 2004 in the Asia and Pacific Region

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13.45-15.15 hrs.  Agenda Item 5
(Document No. APCAS/04/5)
Review of the Present State of Food and Agricultural Statistics in Member Countries of the Commission – Summary of Country Questionnaires

BREAK

15.45-17.15 hrs.  Agenda Item 6
(Document No. APCAS/04/6)
FAOSTAT2 – Redevelopment of the FAO Statistical Databases

19.00 hrs.  Banquet hosted by the Ministry of Agriculture, India

Tuesday, 21 September 2004

09.30-10.45 hrs.  Agenda Item 7
(Document No. APCAS/04/7)
The Use of Trade Flow Data in Agriculture Policy

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11.15-12.30 hrs.  Roundtable discussion – Country Experiences in the Use of Food and Agricultural statistics for Policy Formulation

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Agenda Item 8
(Document No. APCAS/04/8)
Remote Sensing for Forecasting of Crop Area and Production

Agenda Item 8 (cont)
(Document No. APCAS/04/9 and APCAS/04/10)

14.45- 15.45 hrs.  Application of Remote Sensing and GIS in Fisheries and Forestry
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16.15-17.00 hrs. Agenda Item 8 (cont)
Roundtable discussion – remote sensing and GIS in Food and Agricultural Statistics

19.00 hrs. Reception hosted by FAO

**Wednesday, 22 September 2004**

09.30-10.15 hrs. Agenda Item 9
(Document No. APCAS/04/11)
The Development of CountrySTAT as a Vehicle for Organizing National Agricultural Sector Data

10.15-11.00 hrs. Agenda Item 9 (Continued)
(Document No. APCAS/04/12)
Integration of Food and Agricultural Statistics in India

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11.30-12.30 hrs. Agenda Item 9 (Continued)
Roundtable discussion – tools for organization of national agricultural sector data

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13.45–15.00 hrs. Agenda Item 10
/Documents No. APCAS/04/13 and APCAS/04/14)
Report on the Japan/FAO Cooperative Project, “Strengthening Regional Data Exchange System on Food and Agricultural Statistics in Asia and Pacific Countries

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15.30-16.45 hrs. Agenda item 10 (Continued)
Roundtable discussion – expansion of RDES to remaining countries in the region

**Thursday, 23 September 2004**

09.30-11.00 hrs. Agenda Item 11
(Document No. APCAS/04/15)
World Census of Agriculture 2010- A New Approach
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11:30 – 12:30hrs  
Agenda Item 11 (Continued)  
Roundtable discussion – Integration of Agricultural Censuses with Other Census and Surveys

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Afternoon

13.45 – 18:00 hrs.  
Field Trip to Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), Pusa

Friday, 24 September 2004

09.30 - 10.15 hrs.  
Agenda Item 12  
(Document No. APCAS/04/16)  
Analysis of Agricultural Censuses and Surveys

10:15 – 11:00hrs  
Agenda Item 12 (cont)  
(Document No. APCAS/04/17)  
Reconciliation of Census Data with Annual Survey Data

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11:30 -12:30hrs  
Agenda Item 13  
Other Matters  
a) Venue of the 21st APCAS Session  
b) Other business

12:30 – 13:45 hrs  
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13:45 – 15:00 hrs  
Agenda Item 14  
Adoption of the Report

Under Remarks, Issues and Concerns in the country questionnaire it is important to highlight new surveys, the use of new technology and the identification of special issues that would be helpful for capacity building. These country questionnaires should be provided to the APCAS secretary on or before 31 August 2004.