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Main Activities for SPARS
Area identified for Improvement in Lao PDR

1. Improving the administrative reporting system for Agricultural Statistics
2. Improving Dissemination of Agricultural Statistics
3. Improving a System for Collection of Farm-gate Prices
4. Improving Cost of Production Statistics for Rice
5. Improving Data Quality for the Food Balance Sheet
6. Developing a Strategic Plan for Agricultural and Rural Statistics (SPARS)
I. Back Ground

Lao PDR has high level of Prevalence of undernourishment (MDG- Hunger indicator 1.9) of 29.4 percent in 2010-12 as compared to 44.6 percent at the benchmark period of 1990-92 (FAO SOFI 2012). A decrease of about 38 percent was registered as at 2010-2012 as compared to the target of 50 percent mark by 2015. Lao PDR will probably achieved the MDG 1.9 hunger indicator by 2015 if policy markers address both immediate and long terms food security concerns with update food security information which will inform and guide such efforts in planning and implementing development programmes. TCP/RAS/3409: Building statistical capacity for quality food security and nutrition information in support of better informed policies in Lao PDR Signed between FAO and MAF on October 2013.
II. Implementing

In 2013, We started to compilation SUA/FBS 2009 until 2013.

I. Major Activities

Coordination with MSWF multispectral workforce Initiations

We divided in 5 groups for working on SUA:

• Group 1: Worked on Nutrition Factor updated and added whenever required by participants from Nutrition Center (using data from Smiling Lao Food Composition tables and ASEAN Food Composition tables)

• Group 2: Worked on Crop production and Harvested Area updated by participants from Department of Agriculture, Department of Forestry and Permanent office and CAS (using data from Lao Agricultural statistics year book 2009 until 2013)

• Group 3: Worked on Livestock and Fishery production and Numbers updated by participants from Department of Livestock and Fishery and CAS (using data from Lao Agricultural statistics year book 2009 until 2013)

• Group 4: Worked on trade data Import and Export data updated by participants from Department of Import and Export, Ministry of Industrial and Commerce, Department of Customs, Ministry of Finance (using data from Department of Import and Export and Department of Customs web on 2009-2013)

• Group 5: For Data LECS, Population and Food consumption Figure provided by Lao statistics Bureau (LSB), Ministry of Planning and Investment base on Annual Statistics Book used for all the years 2009, 2010, 2012 and 2013

• Completed 54 commodity Items on SUA.
In the present (Feb 12-16, 2018)

• preparation of Supply Utilization Account (SUA)/Food Balance Sheet (FBS) of LAO PDR 2014-2016.
III. Issues and challenges in preparing SUA/FBS in Lao PDR

- Lake of data, some data items not separate: such as Leafy stem Vegetables, Root and Fruit bearing. For the Livestock item such as Poultry they are including Duck, Turkey and Geese are separated items in the FAO SUA but our data items are put together.

- Conversion Factors and Nutrition are quite not updated

- In the rural area, the people consume food from forestry, Non timber forest products, but they are not input to SUA because data not available.

- Limited budget for data collection to provide SUA and Food Balance Sheet calculation
Thank you