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## Asia Regional Training Workshop on the Implementation of Conservation and Sustainable Use of PGRFA and Farmers' Rights<sup>1</sup>

5-8 March 2019  
Bayview Park Hotel, Manila, Philippines

### PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

04 March 2019 Expected Arrival of International Participants, Bayview Park Hotel, Manila

05 March 2019 / DAY 1	
8:00 – 9:00	Registration of Participants (BPI staff)
9:00 – 10:15	<p><b>Session I. Opening Ceremony</b></p> <p>Master of Ceremony: Mr. Danny Danug, Bureau of Plant Industry</p> <p><b>Video Film: The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture</b></p> <p><b>Welcome Address: Mr. George Culaste, Director, Bureau of Plant Industry</b></p> <p><b>Opening Remarks: Mr. Jose Luis Fernandez, FAO Representative, Philippines</b></p> <p><b>Opening Remarks: Mr Kent Nnadozie, Secretary, ITPGRFA (via video), Mr. Mario Marino, ITPGRFA Secretariat</b></p> <p><b>Introduction of participants with exchange of hopes and expectations for the training workshop</b></p>


<sup>1</sup> The regional training is being organized by the Secretariat, thanks to the generous support of the Governments of Italy and the Philippines.

	<p><b>Group Photo</b></p> <p><b>Coffee / Tea Break</b></p>
<p><b>10:15 – 13:00</b></p>	<p><b>Session II. The Training Workshop</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Mr. Danny Danug, Bureau of Plant Industry</b></p> <p><b>i. General Introduction and Recent Developments</b></p> <p><b>Conservation and Sustainable Use of Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture</b> <i>Mr. Mario Marino</i>, ITPGRFA Secretariat</p> <p><b>Implementation of Farmers’ Rights</b>, <i>Ms. Mary Jane Ramos Dela Cruz</i>, ITPGRFA Secretariat</p> <p><b>National Seed Policy and Communities Seed Bank Development in the Lao PDR</b>, <i>Ms. Chay Bounphamousay</i>, National Agriculture and Forestry Research Institute (NAFRI), Laos</p> <p><b>Efforts and partnerships for the Conservation and Partnerships and Sustainable of PGRFA: the East West Seed experience</b>, <i>Ms. Mary Ann Sayoc</i>, East West Seed Company</p> <p><b>Philippine Measures and Best Practices in the Implementation of Farmers' Rights within the context of the IPTGRFA</b>, <i>Ms Amparo Ampil</i>, DA-Philippines</p> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Moderator’s Wrap up</b></p>
<p><b>13:00 – 14:30</b></p>	<p><b>LUNCH BREAK</b></p>
<p><b>14:30 – 17:30</b> <b>(with 15 Min coffee break)</b></p>	<p><b>A. Presentation of new ideas, experiences and efforts on conservation and sustainable use PGRFA and the implementation of Farmers’ Rights</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Ms Normita Ignacio, SEARICE</b></p> <p><b>The importance of Agro-biodiversity and Farmers’ Rights for Sustainable Food Systems in the Context of Climate Change</b>, <i>Mr Parviz Koohafkan</i>, Member of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Farmers’ Rights and WAHF Chairman</p> <p><b>Grassroots Breeding Approach to Promoting Conservation and Use of PGRFA in Nepal</b>, <i>Mr. Pitambar Shrestha</i>, LI-BIRD Nepal</p>

	<p><b>Conservation, Development and sustainable Use of PGRFA, Mr. Rinchen Dorji, National Biodiversity Centre, Bhutan</b></p> <p><b>Protection of Plant Variety System in India, Mr. M. Gunasekaran, Asst Commissioner, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, India</b></p> <p><b>Japanese Implementation of Farmers' Rights, Mr. Kunihiko Kobayashi, Researcher, Research Institute for Humanities and Nature (RIHN), Kyoto, Japan</b></p> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Moderator's Wrap up</b></p> <p><b>End of the day/announcements</b></p>
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06 March 2019 / DAY 2	
<p><b>9:00 – 13:00</b> (with 15 minutes coffee/tea break)</p>	<p><b>B. Presentation of new ideas, experiences and efforts on conservation and sustainable use PGRFA and the implementation of Farmers' Rights</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Ms Mary Jane Ramos dela Cruz, ITPGRFA Secretariat</b></p> <p><b>Dynamic Conservation and Sustainable Use of Agro-Biodiversity in Traditional Agro-Ecosystems of the Philippines, Ms Virginia Agcopra, National Project Coordinator</b></p> <p><b>Conservation and utilization of PGRFA in Cambodia, Mr Chhourn Orn, Plant Breeding Division, CARDI, Cambodia</b></p> <p><b>Policy and Regulation of Plant Genetic Resources in Malaysia, Mr. Mohd Shukri bin Mat Ali, MARDI, Malaysia</b></p> <p><b>Status of conservation and sustainable use of PGRFA and FR implementation, Indonesia, Andari Risliawati and Mastur, ICABIOGRAD, IAARD, Indonesia</b></p> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Moderator's Wrap up</b></p>
<p><b>14:30 – 17:30</b></p>	<p><b>Moderator: Mr. Mario Marino, ITPGRFA Secretariat</b></p>

	<p><b>Conservation and Sustainable Utilization of the underutilized Taro to Increase Food Security and Improve Livelihood of Marginalized Communities Faced with Climate Change (BSDF4), Ms. Rozliza, Malaysia</b></p> <p><b>Initiatives on Sustainable Use of PGRFA at UPLB, Ms. Teresita Borromeo, UPLB Rice Varietal Improvement Team, Philippines</b></p> <p><b>Farmers' Rights in Practice: Experiences in Southeast Asia, Ms Normita Ignacio, SEARICE</b></p> <p><b>Conservation and Sustainable use of Plant genetic resources for food and agriculture in Sri Lanka, Ms W.M. Ranjala Kumari, Field Crops Research and Development, Department of Agriculture, Sri Lanka</b></p> <p><b>Plant Genetic Resources collection, conservation and utilization in Bangladesh, Mr. Md. Nazirul Islam, Bangladesh Agricultural Research Institute</b></p> <p><b>Status of Conservation and Sustainable Use of PGRFA in Mongolia, Mr. Bayarsukh Noov, Institute of Plant and Agricultural Sciences</b></p> <p><b>Rice Conservation and Development: MASIPAG Experience, Mr. Chito P. Medina, MASIPAG, Philippines</b></p> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Moderator's Wrap up</b></p> <p><b>End of the day announcement</b></p>
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07 March 2019 / DAY 3	
<p><b>9:00 – 12:30 (with 15 min coffee/tea break)</b></p>	<p><b>Session III. Discussion on opportunities and way forward</b> </p> <p><b>Moderator: Ms. Teresita Borromeo</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Toward a new global strategy: The Joint Programme on Biodiversity in Agriculture for Sustainable Use of PGRFA, Mr. Mario Marino, ITPGRFA Secretariat</b></li> <li>• <b>Farmers' Rights: Measures and Practices, contributing to the work of AHTEG, Ms Mary Jane Ramos Dela Cruz, ITPGRFA Secretariat</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Break out group discussion (3 Groups)</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Synthesis and stocktaking of experiences, best practices and lessons learned and reporting by the Rapporteurs</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Group 3: Ms. Maria Lea Villavicencio</b></p> <p><b>Group 2: Mr. Mohd Shukri bin Mat Ali</b></p> <p><b>Group 1: Mr. Pitambar Shrestha</b></p>
<b>12:30 – 13:00</b>	<p><b>Session IV. Awarding of Certificates and Closure of the Training</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Evaluation of the Training/Feedback by the Participants</b></li> <li>• <b>Closure of the Training</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Ms Lorna E. Herradura, Asst Director, Bureau of Plant Industry</b>  <b>Mr. Mario Marino, ITPGRFA Secretariat</b></p>
	<b>Lunch Break</b>
	<b>Consultations/networking between and among participants</b>
<b>18:00 hrs</b>	<p><b>Awarding of Certificates</b></p> <p><b>Cultural Presentations and Dinner</b></p>

### **8 March 2019 / Departure time to be announced**

#### **Field Trip to Los Baños, Laguna**

A visit to Genetic Resources Center, IRRI and Bureau of Plant Industry Offices.

Departure: 7:00, Bayview Park Hotel to BPI Los Banos

9:00 -10:00, Visit to BPI Los Banos

10:00 – 11:00, Visit to National Plant Genetic Resources Research Institute (NPGRL)

12:00 – 13:00, Lunch at BPI Los Banos

13:00 – 14:00, Visit to IRRI

15:00, Return to Bayview Park Hotel

9 March 2019 / Return to Home country