

FAO Regional Initiative on Zero Hunger Challenge

Regional Inception Workshop for Regional TCP on Creating Enabling Environments for Nutrition-Sensitive Food and Agriculture to Address Malnutrition

Provisional Agenda and Timetable

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In collaboration with the International Centre for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA) and the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)

Time	Topic	Presenter/ Discussant
08:30-09:00	Registration	
Session 1: Opening and Setting the Scene		
09:00-09:10	Welcoming remarks	Dr Kundhavi Kadiresan, ADG/RR, FAO RAP
09:10-09:20	Introduction of participants	Self-introduction
09:20-09:30	Brief on the proceedings of the Workshop	Dr Xuan Li, Senior Policy Officer & RI-Zero Hunger Challenge Delivery Manager, FAO RAP
09:30-09:40	Setting the Scene: Conceptualization and justification for agricultural diversification to address the dual challenge	Dr Xuan Li, FAO RAP
09:40-09:50	Assessing climate change vulnerability in Asia: Experience from ICRISAT	Dr Suhas P Wani, Research Programme Director, Asia, ICRISAT
09:50-10:00	Integrating pulses into rice-based systems in Asia: Experience from ICARDA	Dr Ashutosh Sarker, Coordinator - South Asia Programme and Food Legume Breeder, ICARDA
10:00-10:10	Applying remote sensing and geoinformatics (GI) to promote Neglected and Underutilized Species (NUS)	Dr Chandrashekhar Biradar, Head of Geoinformatics Unit, ICARDA
10:10-10:20	Indian Government's perspective and initiatives on integration of Future Smart Food in rice-fallow in India	Dr B Rajender, Joint Secretary, Department of Agricultural Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, India
10:20-10:40	Q&A	
10:40-11:00	Group Photo and coffee/tea break	
Session 2: Regional TCP Overview and Work Plan		
11:00-12:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Background, objective, work plan, expected results, methodology of the regional TCP and roles and responsibilities of National Project Coordinator (NPC) 2. Discussions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Work plan b) Roles and responsibilities of NPC c) General matters 	Dr Xuan Li, FAO RAP Plenary

Session 3: Questionnaire on Policy, Laws and Regulations and National Policy Dialogue Plan		
12:00-13:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presentation on draft National Questionnaire on Policy, Laws and Regulations related to staple food and NUS, and national policy dialogue plan 2. Discussions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Questionnaire on Policy, Laws and Regulations b) National policy dialogue preparation 	<p>Dr Xuan Li, FAO RAP</p> <p>Plenary</p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch break	
Session 4: Identification of Site for Field Survey		
14:00-14:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brief on the role of field survey and proposed selection criteria for survey site 2. Comments on field survey site selection 	<p>Dr Xuan Li, FAO RAP</p> <p>Dr Wani and Dr Sarker</p>
14:15-15:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presentation on selected NUS and preliminary proposed sites option for field survey: Myanmar 2. Guided discussion: identification of sites for field survey 	<p>Ms Khin Mar Oo, NPC, Director, Department of Planning, MoALI</p> <p>Plenary</p>
15:00-15:45	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presentation on selected NUS and preliminary proposed sites option for field survey: Nepal 2. Guided discussion: identification of sites for field survey 	<p>Dr Binod Kumar Bhattarai, NPC, Senior Agricultural Economist & Chief of Multilateral Foreign Aid & Investment Coordination Section, MoAD</p> <p>Plenary</p>
15:45-16:15	Coffee and tea break	
16:15-17:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presentation on selected NUS and preliminary proposed sites option for field survey: Cambodia 2. Guided discussion: identification of sites for field survey 	<p>Dr Sok Silo, NPC, Deputy Secretary General, CARD & Advisor to MAFF</p> <p>Plenary</p>
17:00-17:45	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presentation on selected NUS and preliminary proposed sites option for field survey: Lao PDR 2. Guided discussion: identification of sites for field survey 	<p>Mr Savanh Hanephom, NPC, Deputy Director General of Department of Planning and Cooperation, MoAF</p> <p>Plenary</p>
17:45-18:00 Session 5: Brainstorming on Way Forward on Agricultural Diversification		

List of Abbreviations

ADG/RR	Assistant Director-General and Regional Representative
CARD	Council for Agricultural and Rural Development
DAR	Department of Agricultural Research, Myanmar
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
GI	Geoinformatics
ICARDA	International Centre for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas
ICRISAT	International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics
MAFF	Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Cambodia
MoAD	Ministry of Agricultural Development, Nepal
MoAF	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Lao PDR
MoALI	Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation, Myanmar
NAFRI	National Agriculture and Forestry Research Institute, Lao PDR
NARC	Nepal Agriculture Research Council
NPC	National Project Coordinator
NUS	Neglected and Underutilized Species
Q&A	Questions and Answers
PDR	People's Democratic Republic
RAP	Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific
RI-ZHC	Regional Initiative on Zero Hunger Challenge
TCP	Technical Cooperation Programme