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# ASIA AND PACIFIC COMMISSION ON AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

## Twenty-ninth Session

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

22 – 25 November 2021

(virtual meeting)

Provisional Timetable<sup>1</sup>

## Monday, 22 November 2021

13.30 hours

### AGENDA ITEM 1: OPENING CEREMONY

- 13.32 – 13.41 hours: - Welcome Remarks by Mr Zandanshatar Gombojav,  
Chair of the Parliament
- 13.41 – 13.50 hours: - Welcome Remarks by Mr Batdavaa Batmunkh,  
Chairperson of National Statistics Office of Mongolia
- Welcome video from the Government of Mongolia
- 13.50 – 13.59 hours: - Remarks by Mr Kadarmanto, APCAS Chairperson,  
Statistics Indonesia
- 13.59 – 14.08 hours: - Address by Mr Vinod Ahuja, FAO Representative to Mongolia,  
on behalf of FAO Assistant Director-General and Regional  
Representative for Asia and the Pacific
- 14.08 – 14.17 hours: - Address by Mr Pietro Gennari, Chief Statistician of FAO,  
FAO Headquarters Rome
- 14.17 – 14.26 hours: - Opening Speech by Mr Mendsaikhan Zagdjav,  
Minister for Food, Agriculture and Light Industry of Mongolia

<sup>1</sup> All proposed times correspond to the Ulaanbaatar time zone (GMT+8). Participants are requested to sign in 5 to 15 minutes before the start of the meeting each day.

14.26 – 14.30 hours: - Vote of Thanks by Ms Sangita Dubey, APCAS Secretary

**14.30 – 14.45 hours VIRTUAL PHOTO SESSION & BREAK**

**14.45 hours AGENDA ITEM 2: ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA (Presided by the Outgoing Chair, Indonesia)**

14.45 – 14.50 hours: - Election of Officers  
(Chair, Vice-Chairs and Drafting Committee<sup>2</sup>)

14.50 – 14.55 hours: - Word by the Co-Chairs of APCAS29, Mr Batdavaa Batmunkh (Chairman, National Statistics Office, Mongolia) and Mr Ganzorig Bulgankhuu (Head of International Cooperation Division, Policy and Planning Department, Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Light Industry)

14.55 – 15.00 hours: - Adoption of agenda

**15.00 hours AGENDA ITEM 3: FAO'S ACTIVITIES IN FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC, AND FOLLOW-UP TO RECOMMENDATIONS FROM APCAS28**

**Session Chair: Philippines**

15.00 – 15.15 hours: - Implementation of the Recommendations of the 28th APCAS Session (FAO Regional Office for Asia-Pacific)

15.15 – 15.30 hours: - Response rates to FAO questionnaires (FAO Statistics Division and Office of the Chief Statistician)

15.30 – 15.45 hours: - Progress of the RAP region in reporting the SDG indicators under FAO custodianship (FAO Office of the Chief Statistician)

15.45 – 16.00 hours: - Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations & Wrap-Up (Moderated by the Philippines)

**16.00 hours CLOSE OF DAY**

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<sup>2</sup> Drafting Committee will meet during the mornings of 23 – 25 November 2021, from 11.00 – 12.30 hours (GMT +8, Ulaanbaatar time)

**Tuesday, 23 November 2021**

**13.30 hours**                    **AGENDA ITEM 4: IMPACT OF COVID19 AND ADAPTATIONS OF STATISTICAL OPERATIONS**

**Session Chair: Nepal**

- 13.30 – 13.45 hours: - Impact of COVID-19 on agricultural censuses in Asia Pacific (FAO Statistics Division)
- 13.45 – 14.00 hours: - Methodological adaptations and strategies for remote collection of FIES (FAO Statistics Division)
- 14.00 – 14.25 hours: - Country Experiences Panel (Fiji, India, Lao PDR) and Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations & Break (Moderated by Nepal)

**14.25 hours**                    **AGENDA ITEM 5: CHALLENGES AND METHODOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT FOR COLLECTING SDG INDICATORS IN ASIA AND PACIFIC**

**Session Chair: Mongolia**

- 14.25 – 14.40 hours: - Measuring progress toward SDG targets (FAO Office of the Chief Statistician)
- 14.40 – 14.55 hours: - Accelerating FAO support on SDG monitoring (Regional Roadmap and Toolkit) (FAO Office of the Chief Statistician)
- 14.55 – 15.10 hours: - Guidelines on data disaggregation for SDG indicators using survey data (FAO Office of the Chief Statistician)
- 15.10 – 15.30 hours: - Monitoring SDG target 2.1 in the Pacific region - filling the data gap (Pacific Community)
- 15.30 – 15.45 hours: - Computation of farm-based SDG indicators: Indonesia's experience in conducting Agricultural Integrated Surveys (Indonesia)
- 15.45 – 16.00 hours: - Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations (Moderated by Mongolia)

**16:00 hours**                    **CLOSE OF DAY**

## Wednesday, 24 November 2021

### **13.30 hours**                    **AGENDA ITEM 6: 50X2030 INITIATIVE AND STATISTICAL INNOVATION IN AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS**

#### **Session Chair: United States**

- 13.30 – 13.45 hours: - Implementation of the 50x2030 Initiative in Asia Pacific (FAO Statistics Divisions)
- 13.45 – 14.00 hours: - DataLab@FAO: a new approach to fill data gaps (FAO Statistics Division)
- 14.00 – 14.15 hours: - Implementation of AGRIS in Cambodia (Cambodia)
- 14.15 – 14.40 hours: - Country Experiences Panel (Cambodia, Indonesia, Nepal) and Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations & Break (Moderated by United States)

### **14.40 hours**                    **AGENDA ITEM 7: USE OF EARTH OBSERVATION DATA FOR PRODUCING AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS**

#### **Session Chair: India**

- 14.40 – 14.55 hours: - Using earth observation for producing agricultural statistics (FAO Office of Chief Statistician)
- 14.55 – 15.10 hours: - Using earth observation data for producing environmental statistics (FAO Statistics Division)
- 15.10 – 15.25 hours: - Earth observation derived crop mapping to help produce agriculture statistics (Australia)
- 15.25 – 15.40 hours: - Land cover mapping through remote sensing and machine learning for Indonesian Census of Agriculture 2023 (Indonesia)
- 15.40 – 15.55 hours: - Methodology to estimate crop yield data using remote sensing techniques in agricultural statistics (Mongolia)
- 15.55 – 16.10 hours: - Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations (Moderated by India)

### **16.10 hours**                    **CLOSE OF DAY**

**Thursday, 25 November 2021**

**13.30 hours**                    **AGENDA ITEM 8: ENHANCING FISHERY, AQUACULTURE AND FORESTRY DATA – ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHALLENGES**

**Session Chair: Fiji**

13.30 – 13.45 hours:    - Enhancing fishery and aquaculture statistics: international perspective (FAO Fisheries Division)

13.45 – 14.00 hours:    - Open Foris - free and open source tools and methods for data collection, analysis and reporting (FAO Regional Office for Asia and Pacific)

14.00 – 14.20 hours:    - Country Experiences Panel (Philippines, Samoa) and Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations (Moderated by Fiji)

**14.20 – 14.30 hours**        **AGENDA ITEM 9: ANY OTHER BUSINESS (VENUE, DATE, TOPICS FOR NEXT APCAS)**

**14.30 – 15.40 hours**        **AGENDA ITEM 10: PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS**

**15.40 hours**                    **AGENDA ITEM 11: CLOSING CEREMONY**

15.40 – 15.47 hours:    Chairpersons of APCAS29

15.47 – 15.54 hours:    FAO Director of Statistics Division

15.54 – 16.00 hours:    FAO Regional Statistician for Asia and Pacific

**16.00 hours**                    **CLOSE OF APCAS29 (Moderator)**