

FAO/ASTF Project: GCP/RAF/510/MUL:

**Enhancing capacity/risk reduction of emerging Tilapia Lake Virus (TiLV) to
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4-13 December 2018. Kisumu, Kenya

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Conclusions and the Way Forward

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Activities	Time-Line	Venue
Project Inception Workshop	23-24 October 2018	Nairobi, Kenya
Preparatory work re: requirements for 10-day intensive regional training course on TiLV (technical, logistics/operational and country level information, etc.)	October-November 2018	
First regional workshop: Intensive TiLV training course	4-13 December 2018	Kisumu
Country level implementation of TiLV National Action Plan: Diagnostics, Surveillance, Information dissemination, National consultation, Emergency preparedness	January to December 2019	
Second regional Workshop: Analysis of surveillance data and implementation of TiLV NAP	End of 2019, early 2020 or back to back with International Technical Seminar on TiLV	
International Technical Seminar on TiLV	March 2020	Uganda expressed interest

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Purpose/Objectives:	Achievement of objectives	
	Fully achieved	Partially achieved
• Acquire general knowledge on aquatic animal health management		
• Acquire specific knowledge on various aspects related to TiLV		
• Receive guidance in the development of National Action Plans (NAP) on TiLV		
• Finalise detailed requirements for the implementation of TiLV NAPs		



The Way Forward

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Timeline for 2019

Activity	Timeline	Responsibility
Finalise the 12-point checklist guidance and narrative: #5: Sampling; #7: Methodology	By end of January 2019	Countries lead by Project Focal Points
<p>Angola: revisions: source of 40 minimum essential epidemiological units, revise budget Ghana: prepare for additional samples (for other donor support) Egypt: missing info to be provided; no cost estimates presented – will be considered in another TCP being developed for Egypt (Tilapia diseases) Kenya: revision on inclusion of wild population; another sampling targeting wild population (additional funding) Nigeria: no further comment; Uganda: start with n=40</p>		
Finalise the 12-point checklist guidance: #6: Diagnostic testing Field/laboratory questionnaires/forms: SoPs for Level I, SoPs for Level II, SoPs for Level III; Printed package, video; Guidelines for different scenarios	By end of Jan 2019	FAO and experts
Preparatory activities prior to March 2019 start of sampling: Invitation letter, program, TiLV presentation, mechanism for enrolment of farmers, sending of experts after careful finalisation of field sampling schedule	Between Jan-Feb 2019	Countries lead by Project Focal Points (with FAO guidance)
Careful review of financial and operational requirements and operational procedures for allocation of funds in a timely manner	January to February	FAOHQ and FAORs in each country and country focal points
Start of field/laboratory work (country details provided)	Mar 2019-Feb 2020	
Data analysis workshop back to back with TiLV International Technical Seminar (March 2020 – latest): preparatory work	March 2019	FAO, host government, partners
OPTIONAL: Preliminary Data analysis workshop	Third quarter of 2019 when confident that sufficient data	