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ASIA AND PACIFIC COMMISSION ON AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION

Thimphu, Bhutan, 15-19 February 2016

TIMETABLE

Monday, 15 February 2016

08.00-08.30 hrs. Registration

09.00-09.45 hrs. **Agenda Item 1: Opening Ceremony**

1. Marchang Ceremony
2. Welcome Address by Mr Chencho Norbu, Secretary (Officiating), Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Bhutan
3. Address by the Outgoing Chair, Mr Samaychanh Boupha, Head of Lao Statistics Bureau, and Vice Minister, Ministry of Planning and Investment, Lao PDR
4. Opening Address by Mr Pietro Gennari, Chief Statistician, FAO
5. Keynote Address by H.E. Yeshey Dorji, Minister of Agriculture and Forests, Bhutan
6. Vote of thanks by Mr Mukesh Srivastava, Secretary of the Commission, FAO

09.45-10.30 hrs. **PHOTO and MEDIA SESSION**
Coffee Break

10.30-12.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 2: Election of Officers (Chair, Vice-Chair and Drafting Committee)**
(Presided by the Outgoing Chair, Dr Samaychanh Boupha, Head of Lao Statistics Bureau, and Vice Minister, Ministry of Planning and Investment, Lao PDR)

Agenda Item 3: Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable
(Documents No. APCAS/16/3.1, APCAS/16/3.2)

Agenda Item 4: FAO's activities in food and agricultural statistics in Asia and the Pacific and follow-up to the recommendations from the last Session

1. Overview of FAO's Activities in the Asia and the Pacific Region and follow up to the recommendations of the last session of APCAS (Document. APCAS/16/4.1)
2. Issues in the collection of FAO data (Document. APCAS/16/4.2)

Discussion: Situation of agriculture statistics and priority areas for FAO interventions in the region.

12.00 -13.30 hrs. ***Lunch Break***

THEME 1 PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ONGOING CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES IN THE REGION

13.30-15.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 5.1: Progress on Regional Action Plan of the Global Strategy to Improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics**

1. Global Strategy: An Overview and summary of progress (Document. APCAS/16/5.1.1)
2. Progress with Technical Assistance Activities in the region (Document. APCAS/16/5.1.2)
3. Strategic Planning Process for Agricultural and Rural Statistics: Issues and Challenges (Document. APCAS/16/5.1.3)
4. Reform and Development of China's Agricultural Statistics in Recent Years and Future Plan (APCAS/16/5.1.4)

15.00-15.30 hrs. ***Coffee Break***

15.30-17.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 5.1: Progress on Regional Action Plan of the Global Strategy to Improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics (continued)**

5. Strategic Changes in the Agricultural Statistical System in the Philippines (Document. APCAS/16/5.1.5)
6. Strategic Plan for Renewable Natural Resources Statistics of Bhutan (Document. APCAS/16/5.1.6)
7. Global Strategy: Progress in Lao PDR and experience with developing SPARS (Document. APCAS/16/5.1.7)
8. Progress on Regional Action Plan of Global Strategy to Improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics in Samoa (Document. APCAS/16/5.1.8)
9. Global Strategy: Sri Lankan Perspective (Document. APCAS/16/5.1.9)

10. Capacity Assessment on ARS in Bangladesh, SPARS Initiative
(Document. APCAS/16/5.1.10)

Discussion: Strategic Planning for Agricultural and Rural Statistics in other countries of the region.

18.00 hrs. *Departure for Welcome dinner hosted by FAO*

Tuesday, 16 February 2016

08.30-09.15 hrs. **Agenda Item 5.2: Agricultural Market Information Systems (AMIS) and related issues**

1. AMIS Progress in Asia and the Pacific (Document. APCAS/16/5.2.1)
2. Pilot Palay Crop Cutting Survey in the Philippines (Document. APCAS/16/5.2.2)
3. AMIS implementation in Thailand (Document. APCAS/16/5.2.3)
4. AMIS Balance Sheet methodology used in Indonesia (Document. APCAS/16/5.2.4)
5. Agriculture Market Information System (AMIS) in Bangladesh (Document. APCAS/16/5.2.5)

09.15-10.15 hrs. **Agenda Item 5.3: Promoting technical cooperation in the field of agriculture statistics to build country capacities**

1. Country assessment in the region (Document. APCAS/16/5.3.1)
2. South-South Cooperation being implemented by Japan (Document. APCAS/16/5.3.2)
3. SAARC activities in support of the region (Document. APCAS/16/5.3.3)
4. AFSIS activities in support of statistics in the region (Document. APCAS/16/5.3.4)

10.15-10.45 hrs. *Coffee Break*

**THEME 2 METHODOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS
AND NEW CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES**

10.45-12.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 6.1: Monitoring of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**

1. Overview of the SDG process and FAO's contribution to the monitoring framework (Document. APCAS/16/6.1.1)
2. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Agriculture Sector: Indian Outlook (Document. APCAS/16/6.1.2)
3. Preparedness of Nepal for Monitoring Sustainable Development Goals: Food Security & Agriculture perspective (Document. APCAS/16/6.1.3)

Discussion: Expectations of countries from FAO in the SDGs era.

12.00-13.30 hrs. *Lunch Break*

13.30-15.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 6.2: World Programme for the Census of Agriculture (WCA2020)**

1. Main features and changes in WCA 2020, Volume 1: Programmes, Concepts and Definitions (Document. APCAS/16/6.2.1)
2. Outline of WCA2020, Volume 2: Operational Guidelines on implementing Census of Agriculture (Document. APCAS/16/6.2.2)
3. Agricultural Integrated Surveys (AGRIS): Rationale and Methodology (Document. APCAS/16/6.2.3)

Round table discussion on country plans for the Census of Agriculture (WCA2020) period (2016-2025)

15.00-15.30 hrs. *Coffee Break*

15.30-17.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 6.2: World Programme for the Census of Agriculture (WCA 2020) (Continued)**

4. 2013 Agriculture Census in Cambodia, challenges, lessons learnt and road ahead. (Document. APCAS/16/6.2.4)
5. Rural, Agricultural & Fishery Census In Vietnam (Document. APCAS/16/6.2.5)
6. Agricultural Census in Thailand (Document. APCAS/16/6.2.6)

Wednesday, 17 February, 2016

08.30-10.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 6.3: Sub-sector statistics: Livestock, Fishery and Forestry**

1. Status and recent development in fishery and aquaculture statistics (Document. APCAS/16/6.3.1)
2. Fishery Statistics in Bangladesh: Issues, Challenges and Plans (Document. APCAS 16/6.3.2)
3. Fish Stats: Data Collection Mechanisms in the Maldives Fisheries Sector (Document. APCAS/16/6.3.3)
4. Improving the methodology of data collection on aquaculture in Indonesia (Document. APCAS/16/6.3.4)

10.00-10.30 hrs. *Coffee Break*

10.30-12.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 6.3: Sub-sector statistics: Livestock, Fishery and Forestry (continued)**

5. Bhutan Statistical System and the Agriculture and Rural Statistics (Document. APCAS/16/6.2.7)
6. Livestock statistics in Mongolia (Document. APCAS/16/6.3.5)
7. System of Integrated Livestock Survey for Data Collection in India (Document. APCAS/16/6.3.6)

12.00-13.30 hrs. ***Lunch Break***

- 13.30-15.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 6.4: Food Security statistics and recent activities in the region**
1. Food Security Statistics in the transition from MDG to SDG (Document. APCAS/16/6.4.1)
 2. The State of Food Insecurity in the World (Document. APCAS/16/6.4.2)
 3. Country reports on implementation of TCP/RAS/3409: Findings, Issues and Challenges
 - (a) Measuring Food Security in Bangladesh Challenges and Way-Forward (Document. APCAS/16/6.4.3)
 - (b) Food and Nutrition Security; A Status Report of Nepal (Document. APCAS/16/6.4.4)
 - (c) TCP/RAS 3409 Project Implementation in the Philippines Findings, Issues and Challenges (Document. APCAS/16/6.4.5)

Discussion on Food Security Statistics in the countries of the region

15.00-15.30 hrs. ***Coffee Break***

- 15.30-17.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 7: Governance of agricultural statistics**
1. Proposal to Establish a Global FAO Commission on Statistics. (Document. APCAS/16/7.1)

Roundtable and discussion on strengthening of Global and Regional Governance for agricultural and rural statistics

17:30 hrs. ***Special Event on Gross National Happiness as a Development Framework***
(By Mr Norbu Wangchuk, Chief, Gross National Happiness Commission Secretariat)

18:30 hrs. ***Dinner hosted by Royal Government of Bhutan***
Venue: Le Meridien

Thursday, 18 February 2016

8:30 hrs. Field Trip

- 14.30-16.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 8: Advances in Economic, Social and Environmental statistics**
1. Macro-Economic Statistics for Agriculture: New FAO Global Databases on Agricultural Capital Stock (ACS) and Agro-Industry Measurement (AIM) (Document. APCAS/16/8.1)
 2. The System of Environmental-Economic Accounting for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (SEEA Agriculture) (Document. APCAS/16/8.2)
 3. Investment financing statistics (government expenditure, credit to agriculture, ODA, Foreign Direct Investment and Country Investment Profiles) (Document. APCAS/16/8.3)

4. Case study of Smart Farm Map Agriculture Policy in Korea (Document. APCAS/16/8.4)

16.00-16.30 hrs. *Coffee Break*

16.30-17.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 8: Advances in Economic, Social and Environmental statistics (continued)**

5. Green House Gas emissions from Agriculture, Forestry and Land Use: FAOSTAT data analysis and tools in support of capacity development in member countries (Document. APCAS/16/8.5)
6. Collecting producer prices at point of sale: rationale, challenges and proposed solutions. The Uganda Experience. (Document. APCAS/16/8.6)

Discussions

Friday, 19 February 2016

09.30-10.30 hrs. **Agenda Item 9: Any other business**

1. Venue, date and topics for the next APCAS Session

10.30-11.30 hrs. **Agenda Item 10: Adoption of the report**

11.30-12.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 11: Closing of the Session**