ASIA AND PACIFIC COMMISSION ON AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION

Da Lat, Viet Nam, 8-12 October 2012

Agenda Item 3

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Monday, 8 October 2012

08.00 hrs. Registration

09.00 hrs. **Agenda Item 1: Opening of the Session**

1. Welcome Address by Mr Nguyen Van Lieu, DDG, GSO, Viet Nam
2. Address by the Outgoing Chair, Mr Hong Narit, Director, Department of Planning and Statistics, MAFF, Cambodia
3. Opening Address by Mr Josef Schmidhuber, Principal Officer, Statistics Division, FAO
4. Opening Remarks by Ms Yuriko Shoji, FAO Representative Viet Nam
5. Welcome Address by Mr Nguyen Van Yen, Lam Dong Deputy chairman of people’s committee.
6. Inaugural Address by H.E. Dao Quang Thu, Vice Minister of Minister of Planning and Investment
7. Vote of thanks by Mr Jay Castano, Secretary of the Commission, FAO

PHOTO and MEDIA SESSION

BREAK

10.30 hrs. **Agenda Item 2 : Election of Chair, Vice-Chairs and Drafting Committee**

Presided by the Outgoing Chair, Mr Hong Narit, Director, Department of Planning and Statistics, MAFF, Cambodia

**Agenda Item 3 : Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable**
Agenda Item 4: FAO’s Activities in Food and Agriculture Statistics in Asia and the Pacific since the last Session of the Commission

1. Overview of FAO activities in the Asia and Pacific Region since the 23rd Session of APCAS (Mr Jay Castano, FAO)
   a. Projects in the region
   b. Regional workshops on i) FAO data collection; ii) Sex-disaggregated data; iii) Sampling surveys; iv) Linking population and agriculture census; v) Analysis of food consumption data from household surveys
   c. The new FAO Global Statistical Yearbook
   d. The new FAOSTAT Platform
   e. FAO work on International Statistical Classifications

12.00 hrs. LUNCH

13.30 hrs. 2. CountrySTAT framework in the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) countries (Mr Naman Keita, FAO)

3. Agriculture marketing information system (AMIS) (Mr Naman Keita, FAO)

4. Report on the side-events on Green House Gas Emissions (Mr Francesco Tubiello, FAO) and Cost of Production (Ms Carola Fabi, FAO)

Agenda Item 5: State of Food and Agricultural Statistics in Countries of the Region

1. Methodology for quality indicators in agricultural statistics (Mr Mukesh Srivastava, FAO)

2. Report on Initial Country Assessments (Mr Jay Castano, FAO)

15.10 hrs. BREAK

3. Overview of the future FAO web portal on country level capacity in agricultural and rural statistics (Mr Anthony Burgard, FAO)

4. Evaluation of country reports to FAO questionnaires (Ms Carola Fabi, FAO)

5. Discussion on country assessment methodology

18.00 hrs. DINNER HOSTED BY Lam Dong People Committee
Tuesday, 9 October 2012

8.30 hrs.  
**Agenda Item 6 : Implementation of Global Strategy to Improve of Agricultural and Rural Statistics in the Region**

1. Progress in the implementation of the Global Action Plan, including mobilization of resources (Mr Naman Keita, FAO)

2. Overview of the Implementation Plan of the Global Strategy to Improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics in Asia and the Pacific, including the highlights of three components of the Plan (Mr Romeo Recide; SGAS Chair)
   a. The Technical Assistance Component (Mr Jay Castano, FAO)
   b. The Training Component (Ms Marge Guerrero, Director, SIAP)
   c. The Research Component (Mr Jay Castano, FAO)

10.20 hrs  
**BREAK**

10.35 hrs.  
3. Panel discussion on regional priorities (Panelists: selected country representatives)

**Agenda Item 7 : Progress and Vision on World Programme for the Census of Agriculture (WCA)**

   1. Lessons learned from the implementation of the WCA 2010 (Mr Mukesh Srivastava, FAO)
   2. Selected countries experiences on the conduct of Census of Agriculture: challenges and lessons learnt (by Member countries)
      a. Lao PDR- Agriculture Census (Mr Savanh Hanephom, MAF, Lao PDR)
      b. Nepal- Agriculture Census (Mr Birendra Kumar Kayastha, CBS, Nepal)

12.00 hrs.  
**LUNCH**

13.30 hrs.  
c. United States- Agriculture Census and Surveys (Mr Robert Hale, USDA-NASS)

d. Viet Nam- Rural, Agriculture, and Fisheries Census (Mr Pham Quang Vinh, GSO Viet Nam)

3. FAO/ UNFPA technical guidelines for linking population and agricultural censuses (Mr Naman Keita, FAO)
B. Vision for WCA 2020 (2026-2025)
   1. Issues for WCA 2020 (Mr Mukesh Srivastava, FAO)

15.00 hrs.   **BREAK**

15.15 hrs.   2. Group work by country delegates to identify key issues to be addressed in the next census programme

**Agenda Item 8 : Methodological Developments in Food Security Statistics**

1. New framework for the Food Balance Sheet (FBS) and Supply-Utilization Accounts (SUA) (Ms Carola Fabi, FAO)
2. New approaches to the measurement of food security status (FAO)
3. Experiences of food insecurity assessment in Thailand at the national and sub-national levels (Ms Sureerat Santipaporn, NSO Thailand)

18.00 hrs.   **DINNER HOSTED BY GSO**

**Wednesday, 10 October 2012**

08.30 hrs.   **Agenda Item 9 : Data collection methods and ICT in the Region**

1. Rice production survey in Viet Nam (Ms Do Thi Thu Ha, GSO, Viet Nam)
2. Estimation of planted area using the dot sampling method (Mr. Kenji Kamikura, MAFF, Japan)
3. Use of Smartphones for food and agricultural price collection and dissemination (Ms Carola Fabi, FAO)

10.10 hrs.   **BREAK**

10.25 hrs.   4. Use of ICT for statistical reporting in Viet Nam’s Ministry of Agriculture Mr Nguyen Viet Chien, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Viet Nam)
5. The evolution of agricultural statistics in Australia (Mr Bruce Hockman, ABS, Australia)

12.00 hrs.   **LUNCH**

13.30 hrs.   **Agenda Item 10 : Recent advances in Economic, Social, and Environmental Statistics on the Agricultural Sector**
1. Environment Statistics: new database on GHG emissions from agriculture and agri-environmental indicators (Mr Francesco Tubiello, FAO)

2. Statistics on Private and Public investment in agriculture: government expenditure, capital stocks and other FAOSTAT datasets (Ms Carola Fabi, FAO)

3. A Gender Analysis of Food Security Indicators from Indonesia National Socio-Economic Survey (Ms Nona Iriana and Mr Happy Hardjo, BPS, Indonesia)

15.00 hrs.  **BREAK**

15.15 hrs.  4. Role of fisheries and aquaculture in the Asian and Pacific region (Ms Sachiko Tsuji, FAO)

5. Progress toward improvement of data and statistics in fisheries (Ms Sachiko Tsuji, FAO)

**Thursday, 11 October 2012**

7:30 hrs.  Field Trip

13.30 hrs.  Continuation of Agenda Item 10

18.00 hrs.  **DINNER HOSTED BY FAO**

**Friday, 12 October 2012**

10.00 hrs.  **Agenda Item 11 : Any other business**
Venue, date and topics for the next APCAS Session

**Agenda Item 12 : Adoption of the Report**

**Agenda Item 13 : Closing of the Session**