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Reduction of Environmental Impact from Tropical Shrimp Trawling, through the introduction of By-catch Reduction Technologies and Change of Management

<http://www.fao.org/fi/gefshrimp.htm>

Global National Coordinators Review Meeting 8-15 October 2006

PROSPECTUS

Background

The impact from capture fisheries on the marine environment is of growing international concern, hence there is a need to develop, promote and implement environmentally-sound technologies and practices in the marine fisheries sector to prevent loss of biodiversity and habitat degradation.

In this context, the Global Environment Facility (GEF) provided funds for a joint FAO/UNEP project on "*Reduction of environmental impact from tropical shrimp trawling, through the introduction of by-catch reduction technologies and change of management.*" The project commenced in July 2002.

Twelve countries and one intergovernmental organisation are participating in the project. Asia is represented by Indonesia and the Philippines, Western Africa by Nigeria and the Cameroon, the Gulf Region by Iran and Bahrain, and Latin America and the Caribbean by Colombia, Cuba, Costa Rica, Mexico, Trinidad & Tobago, and Venezuela. Following the inaugural meeting held in Mexico in September 2002, the participating countries developed work plans and initiated project activities. In order to avoid duplication of activities and to enhance the cooperation between the participating countries, a series of workshops have been conducted on national and regional level within the project's overall work plan.

Recognising the different stages of the project implementation in the participating countries, the third International Project Steering Committee (IPSC) meeting held in Iran (May 2006), decided that a Global National Coordinators Review meeting should be organised. The main objectives would be to present and evaluate the results of activities so far undertaken by the participating countries and to share experiences on project implementation to determine problems, constraints and possible solutions.

The Philippines very kindly agreed to host the meeting.

Objectives of the Meeting

The objectives of the Meeting are to:

1. Exchange knowledge on results achieved in the project
2. Discuss achievements
3. Develop joint regional work programmes
4. Provide information on administrative procedures

UNEP, the Project Implementing Agency, has decided that the project shall undergo a full-fledged evaluation by two external consultants. The TORs of the evaluation mission will be provided to the participants as soon as confirmed.

The evaluation is planned to commence in connection with the Global National Coordinator meeting, to use the opportunity of the Meeting for the evaluators to individually interview all the NCs.

Preliminary Agenda

The preliminary agenda is attached.

Participants

The National Project Coordinators from all participating countries and SEAFDEC, together with representatives from UNEP and FAO.

If participation of a second representative is deemed strictly necessary for a successful outcome of the meeting, a request can be considered by FAO.

Meeting Dates and Venue

The Meeting will be hosted by Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
860 Quezon Avenue, Quezon City, Philippines from 8-15 October at:

Camella Room, Mezzanine Floor
Nikko Dusit Hotel
Ayala Center, 1223 Makati City Metro, Manila
Philippines and Calbayog City, Samar
October 8-15, 2006

Working Language

The Meeting will be conducted in English, with ad hoc interpretation into Spanish.

Meeting Presentations

Power Point facilities will be available.

1. OUTLINE OF REPORTS and PRESENTATIONS

- a. Brief background of the national (shrimp) trawl fisheries
- b. Fleet number and distribution
- c. Goals / objectives of project implementation in the country
- d. Strategies and activities undertaken since the start of implementation
- e. Results and major technical achievements; devices tested etc.
- f. Recommended by-catch reduction technologies for different fleet sectors in the country, and concepts for increased utilisation of by-catch;

- g. Problems, constraints and recommendations for the project's implementation
- h. Future activities and regional collaboration with presentation of workplan from Oct 2006 to Jun 2008

2. VCD PRESENTATION, IF AVAILABLE

3. DURATION OF PRESENTATION

Each session will be maximum 40 minutes for presentation (inclusive VCD) and 20 minutes for discussion

4. SUBMISSION OF PRESENTATION

The presentation should be submitted not later than 10 September 2006 to Janne Fogelgren and Thomas Moth-Poulsen, FAO, for further translation to/from Spanish/English and subsequent distribution in advance of the meeting to all participants.

Registration

Registration for the meeting will be held from 9:00 a.m. on Monday 9 October at the Meeting Room at Dusit Nikko Hotel.

Secretariat

Secretariat staff will be identified by name badges. Telephone, typing and photocopying facilities are available in the Secretariat during meeting hours. Travel arrangements may be done through the Secretariat.

Accommodation

Participants will be accommodated at Hotel Nikko Dusit, Manila at a room rate of about US\$ 75/day including breakfast.

http://www.hastravel.com/philippines/dusit_hotel_nikko_1274.htm

Reservation for accommodation at the sea trials at Calbayog City will be made by the organizer at a rate of about US\$ 20.00/day.

Travel and Visa Arrangements

Country representatives will receive a return air ticket through FAO (economy class) by the most direct route, from the international airport closest to their place of residence to Manila, Philippines. Domestic return ticket to Calbayog will be provided to the participants during the meeting.

Air tickets provided by FAO must be used only as authorized and in no circumstances will the organizers pay for additional costs for re-routing made directly by participants or governments, or for tickets purchased by them directly, except upon express authorization by the organizers, which must be granted in advance.

For Philippines entry visa requirements, and any transit visa, participants are advised to inquire at the Philippine Embassy in their respective countries and travel agency, as well as consult: <http://www.dfa.gov.ph/consular/visa.htm>.

Climate:

Warm temperature ranging from 30°C to 35°C. September to October is part of the rainy season: www.tourism.gov.ph/discover/facts.asp

Allowances

The participants will receive a daily subsistence allowance (DSA), which will be paid during registration.

Airport Transfers

Advise Mr Dickson of your flight arrivals (flight number, time, date), and number of persons arriving for airport pick-up.

Contact Persons

Please confirm your participation no later than Friday September 15 to:

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Draft Agenda/Schedule of Activities

Day 1, Oct 7-8, 2006 (Sat/Sun)	Arrival of Participants Check-in at Manila Dusit Hotel Nikko Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines
Day 2, October 9 (Mon)	<p>09:00-10:00 Registration</p> <p>10:00-12:00 Opening Program</p> <p>Lunch</p> <p>13:30-13:45 Designation of Meeting Chairperson & Rapporteurs; Adoption of Agenda Presentation / Evaluation of Project Achievements</p> <p>13:45-15:30 FAO: Status of Project (technical and legal)</p> <p>15:30-15:45 Coffe Break</p> <p>15:45-16:45 Colombia</p> <p>16:45-17:45 Costa Rica</p> <p>Welcome Dinner, hosted by BFAR</p>
Day 3, Oct 10 Tue)	<p>08:00-09:00 Cuba</p> <p>09:00-10:00 Mexico</p> <p>10:00-10:15 Coffee Break</p> <p>10:15-11:15 Trinidad and Tobago</p> <p>11:15-12:15 Venezuela</p> <p>Lunch</p> <p>13:30-14:30 Cameroon</p> <p>14:30-15:30 Nigeria</p> <p>15:30-15:45 Coffee break</p> <p>15:45-16:45 Iran</p> <p>16:45-17:45 Bahrain</p> <p>Dinner</p>

<p>Day 4, Oct 11 (Wed)</p> <p>08:00-09:00 09:00-10:00 10:00-10:15 10:15-11:15 11:15-12:15</p> <p>13:30-15:30 15:30-15:45 15:45-17:00</p>	<p>Indonesia Philippines Coffee Break SEAFDEC FAO: Project financial Status</p> <p>Lunch</p> <p>Discussion on conclusions and findings Coffee Break Summary and recommendations</p> <p>Dinner</p>
<p>Day 5, Oct 12 (Thu)</p> <p>11:00-11:30 11:30-12:30</p> <p>13:00-17:00</p>	<p>Participants leave for Calbayog City Asian Spirit Flight # 6K 688 ETD (Mla) : 09:00 ETA (Calb): 10:30</p> <p>Check-in @ Pension House, Calbayog City Lunch</p> <p>Welcome Program; Local Press Briefing With Local Executives / Officials</p> <p>(Cong. Reynaldo Uy, Mayor Mel Senen Sarmiento, RD Hilvano, LGUs, NGOs, Law Enforcers, Participating Boat Owners/fishermen.</p> <p>Dinner</p>
<p>Day 6, Oct 13 (Fri)</p> <p>09:00-15:00</p> <p>17:00-19:00</p>	<p>Participants to board two (2) local trawlers with JTED operating in Samar Sea (lunch onboard)</p> <p>Discussion of results from sea trials.</p> <p>Dinner</p>
<p>Day 7, Oct 14 (Sat)</p> <p>14:00</p> <p>15:00 onwards</p>	<p>Asian Spirit Flight # 6K 688 ETD (Calb)-11:00 ETA (Mla) 12:30</p> <p>Check-in @ Manila Dusit Hotel Nikko</p> <p>Meetings with Project Evaluation Team as appropriate</p>

Day 8, Oct 15
(Sun)

Departure of Participants