



**Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of  
Fisheries *Refugia* in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand**

**REPORT**

**MEETING ON MANAGEMENT ACTION PREPARATION FOR  
MARINE FISHERIES MANAGEMENT AREA AND BLUE  
SWIMMING CRAB FISHERIES REFUGIA IN KEP**

**KEP, CAMBODIA  
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### 1. Open meeting

- 1) The meeting on management action preparation for MFMA and Fisheries Refugia site in Kep was organized by Fisheries Administration (FiA) of Cambodia collaborating with Kep Fisheries Administration Cantonment on 28 May 2019 funded by SEAFDEC/UNEP/GEF Fisheries *Refugia*. The meeting was conducted at Kep Fisheries Administration Cantonment and was attended by 11 total participants from Fisheries Administration, Fisheries Administration Cantonment in Kep (see Annex 1, 2 &3).
- 2) Mr. Leng Sy Vann welcomed to Director of Kep FiAC and other all participants taking their opportunities to come to join the meeting. He added that the meeting today was focusing on buoy designation to install blue swimming crab fisheries refugia site in Koh Po, preparation of patrolling group and the announcement of blue swimming crab fishing close (see annex 1 and 2). Those works were implemented by FiAC through funded by SEAFDEC/UNEP/GEF Fisheries *Refugia*.
- 3) Mr. Kuch Vireak expressed thanks to Mr. Leng Sy Vann, Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation and teamwork from FiA coming to meet and discuss some jobs for management action preparation of MFMA and Fisheries Refugia site in Kep. He welcomed and supported to do those works.

### 2. Discussion on Buoy Designs to install Blue Swimming Crab Fisheries Refugia in Kep

- 4) Mr. Pheun Phalla presented workplan for buoy designs and materials to making a buoy consist of plastic barrel (20L), concrete box, and rope wire. He added that a buoy cost is US dollar 119 and there will be a plan to install about 11 buoys in the refugia site.
- 5) He added that how is buoy made. Firstly rope wires are tied around plastic barrel with attachment of concrete box (its size is 4mX4m with 0.4m height) dropping in water bottom.
- 6) Mr. Leng Sy Vann requested to consider those buoys and its cost.
- 7) Mr. Pheu Phalla replied that it is not expensive because that cost is included to travelling, labor, and installation cost.
- 8) Mr. Kuch Vireak informed that it is common buoy type. If it is standard manner, it is costly and spends much money to make it. So it is not expensive. He added that it should be available of sign board and how anzd where should it be put.
- 9) Mr. Pheun Phalla informed that sign board should be placed on the buoy

### 3. Discussion on preparation for the announcement of blue swimming crab close fishing

- 10) Mr. Leng Sy Vann proposed to prepare the announcement letter on blue swimming crab fishing close based on the MAFF's proclamation on establishment of MFMA and blue swimming crab fisheries refugia site.
- 11) Mr. Kuch Vireak requested DFC/FiA to help draft letter and then it is submitted to Deputy Governor of Kep Mr. Prom Kuti to consider and approve during retreat meeting on reviewing 5 year management plan for MFMA in Kep this month. He will contact him to decide any day for the retreat meeting.
- 12) Mr. Leng Sy Vann agreed to prepare that letter and send it back to FiAC for comment on it.
- 13) Mr. King Phanny, Vice chief of FiAC said that until now it is not any clear reason, so it is hard to address that issue.
- 14) Mr. Leng Sy Vann replied that any fishing gear making impact on blue swimming crab during close fishing is banned and it is informed not to fish there until open fishing.
- 15) Mr. Kuch Vireak informed that MFMA is not conservation zone, so don't make fishermen confused.

### 4. Close meeting

- 16) Mr. Leng Sy Vann thanked very much to Mr. Kuch Vireak and your colleagues, taking their opportunities to join that meeting today and he promised to speed up that job and will prepare sub-contract between DFC/FiA and FiAC in Kep. The meeting closed at 5:30pm

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#### ANNEX 1

**List of participants attending meeting on management action preparation for marine fisheries management area and blue swimming crab fisheries refugia site in Kep on 28 May 2019**

No.	Name	Sex	Title	Organization	Telephone
1.	Kuch Vireak	M	Director	Kep FiAC/DoA	012575557
2.	Leng Sy Vann	M	Deputy Director	DFC/FiA	017446373
3.	King Sophanny	M	Vice chief	Kep FiAC/DoA	012494269
4.	Seng Leang	M	Director of Division	DFC/FiA	017300777
5.	Kin Samnang	F	Officer	DFC/FiA	077411136
6.	An Rithy	M	Officer	Kep FiAC/DoA	015433054
7.	Pheun Phalla	M	Deputy Direcotr	Kep FiAC/DoA	012947375

**ANNEX 2****Schedule for meeting on management action preparation for marine fisheries management area and blue swimming crab fisheries refugia site in Kep on 28 May 2019**

<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Responsible person</b>
<b>27 May 2019</b>		
10:00am-2:30pm	Leaving Phnom Penh for Kep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Leng Sy Vann</li> <li>• Mr. Seng Leang</li> <li>• Ms. Kin Samnang</li> </ul>
<b>28 May 2019</b>		
8:30am- 9:00am	Registration	All
9:00am- 9:30pm	Opening meeting	Mr. Leng Sy Vann Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
9:30pm-12:00pm	Discussion on buoy designs to install fisheries refugia site and preparation for patrolling group	Mr. Leng Sy Vann Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation Mr. Kuch Vireak Director of Kep Fisheries Administration Cantonment
12:00pm-2:00pm	Lunch break	All
2:00pm-4:00pm	Discussion on announcement of blue swimming crab fishing close	Mr. Leng Sy Vann Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation Mr. Kuch Vireak Director of Kep Fisheries Administration Cantonment
4:00pm-4:30pm	Discussion on retreat meeting with Deputy Governor of Kep on reviewing 5year management plan for MFMA and Fisheries Refugia site in Kep	Mr. Leng Sy Vann Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation Mr. Kuch Vireak Director of Kep Fisheries Administration Cantonment
4:30pm-5:00pm	Closing a meeting	Mr. Leng Sy Vann Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
<b>29 May 2019</b>		
9:00am -4:00pm	Leaving Kep for Phnom Penh	All

**ANNEX 3**

**Participants' Photos attending meeting on management action preparation for marine fisheries management area and blue swimming crab fisheries refugia site in Kep on 28 May 2019**

