



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

REPORT

**STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION MEETING AT NATIONAL LEVEL
ON DRAFT PROCLAMATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
MANAGEMENT AREA OF SHORT MACKEREL
FISHERIES REFUGIA**

KOH KONG, CAMBODIA

11 JUNE 2019

Prepared by
FISHERIES ADMINISTRATION, CAMBODIA



First published in Phrasamutchedi, Samut Prakan, Thailand in June 2019 by the SEAFDEC-UNEP-GEF Fisheries Refugia Project, Training Department of the Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center

Copyright © 2019, SEAFDEC-UNEP-GEF Fisheries *Refugia* Project

This publication may be reproduced in whole or in part and in any form for educational or non-profit purposes without special permission from the copyright holder provided acknowledgement of the source is made. The SEAFDEC-UNEP-GEF Fisheries *Refugia* Project would appreciate receiving a copy of any publication that uses this publication as a source.

No use of this publication may be made for resale or for any other commercial purpose without prior permission in writing from the SEAFDEC Secretary-General at.

Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center
Training Department
P.O.Box 97, Phrasamutchedi, Samut Prakan, Thailand
Tel: (66) 2 425 6100
Fax: (66) 2 425 6110
<https://fisheries-refugia.org> and
<https://seafdec.or.th>

DISCLAIMER:

The contents of this report do not necessarily reflect the views and policies of the Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center, the United Nations Environment Programme, and the Global Environment Facility.

For citation purposes this document may be cited as:

FIA/Cambodia, 2019. Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries Refugia in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand, Report of Stakeholder Consultation Meeting at National Level on Draft Proclamation of the Establishment of Management Area of Short Mackerel Fisheries Refugia. Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center, Training Department, Samut Prakan, Thailand; FR/REP/CAM43, 9 p.

1. Open meeting

- 1) The stakeholder consultation meeting at national level on the draft proclamation of mackerel fisheries *refugia* was organized by Fisheries Administration (FiA) of Cambodia on 11 June 2019 funded by SEAFDEC/UNEP/GEF Fisheries *Refugia*. The meeting was conducted at Fisheries Administration and was attended by 14 total participants under Fisheries Administration (see **Annex 1, 2 &3**).
- 2) Mr. Ing Try, Deputy Director General of Fisheries Administration welcomed all participants, taking their opportunity to join that meeting today to discuss on the draft proclamation of the ministry of agriculture, forestry, and fisheries on the establishment of mackerel fisheries refugia at Peam Krasob in Koh Kong in order to protect and conserve sustainable fisheries resources, especially mackerel. Therefore he opened all participants to discuss that issue and proposed the meeting to pay an attention for the meaning of the draft proclamation to ensure that the proclamation is full meaning and implemented effectively.

2. Discussion on draft proclamation of the establishment of management area of mackerel fisheries refugia in Koh Kong

- 3) Mr. Ing Try requested the meeting to consider the draft proclamation title. Before that discussion, he proposed the meeting to make sure key words of fisheries refugia and explained that the fisheries refugia is set for defined time of any specie and any place certainly.
- 4) Mr. Ky Vannarith proposed to delete the word of “management”.
- 5) Mr. Sou Jotra why is it not prepared to make the whole coastal area proclamation? Because other provinces do not have mackerel?
- 6) Mr. Chab Seakheang said that the announcement letter of mackerel fishing close is issued by FiA, why it is needed to ban fishing mackerel at Peam Krasob?
- 7) Mr. Lang Kiry replied that really, the proclamation is made at each province. For Koh Kong province, it is proposed to demonstrate and show fishermen to know and understand clearly the habitat and time of fish spawning to ensure effective mackerel management.
- 8) Mr. Ing Try requested Mr. leng Sy Vann to answer that why it has the word of “management” because the draft proclamation meaning was focusing on two points: 1) establishment and 2) management. When the proclamation is issued, two management committees are built by Koh Kong provincial hall administration, including Technical Working Group for Mackerel Fisheries Refugia and Provincial Management Committee. Why it is not created at other provinces because Koh Kong is its huge spawning and nursery habitat if compared with other provinces. For examples, Kep and Kampot are a little mackerel and it is not its spawning habitat. For Preah Sihanouk, it is a lot of mackerel, but it is just its migration route.
- 9) Mr. Pum Sothat said that the word of “fisheries” have to be deleted because that word is a broad meaning.
- 10) Mr. Ing Try decided and corrected some words and agreed the draft proclamation tile is ***“establishment of management area of mackerel fisheries refugia at Peam Krosob, Koh Kong province”***
- 11) Mr. Ing try requested Mr. Leng Sy Vann to read each prefix of the proclamation and proposed the meeting to consider those prefixes.
- 12) The meeting agreed the full meaning of each prefix of the proclamation, but proposed to delete the paragraph on *“having seen Royal Decree No. NorSor/RoKroTor/0305/149 dated on 21 March 2005 on identification of animal species and plants for the symbol of Royal Kingdom of Cambodia”*.
- 13) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss article one.
- 14) Mr. Pum Sotha proposed to delete the word of “ other fisheries resource species” why the proclamation is covered for mackerel only.

- 15) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss article two.
- 16) Mr. You Chanpraseth said that it is not managed for only one specie, but it can be managed other species when it is managed well such as deploying concreted boxes.
- 17) Mr. Ing Try replied that fisheries refugia is a place that no one affects it, so it makes sure between fisheries refugia and conservation area.
- 18) The meeting agreed to delete the word of “ensuring sustainable fisheries resource management” and the word of “fisheries” instead of the mackerel.
- 19) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss article three.
- 20) Mr. Pum Sotha proposed to take the word of “exception for Peam CFI’s conservation area with the size of 10ha” out and added the word of “ Peam Krosob area”.
- 21) Mr. Sou Jotra proposed to add the word of “coordination”.
- 22) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss article four.
- 23) Mr. Sam Sathya proposed the meeting to consider the word of “banning all kinds”.
- 24) Mr. Pum Sotha proposed to delete the word of “banning all kinds and other actions”.
- 25) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss article five.
- 26) Mr. Pum Sotha proposed to delete the paragraph of “collaboration with involved competent and development partnerships”.
- 27) Mr. You Chan Praseth proposed to delete the paragraph of “clearly through the decision of Koh Kong provincial hall administration with involved agencies”.
- 28) Mr. Ly Vuthy proposed to delete the word of “clear and public”.
- 29) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss article six and the meeting agreed to keep full original meaning.
- 30) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss article seven and the meeting agreed to keep full original meaning.
- 31) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss article eight and the meeting agreed to keep full original meaning.
- 32) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss article nine and the meeting agreed to keep full original meaning.
- 33) Mr. Ing Try proposed the meeting to consider and discuss receiving place and the meeting agreed to keep full original meaning, but proposed to take the ministry of mine and energy out.
- 34) After discussion, the meeting agreed as followings:
 - Revised the draft proclamation title
 - Deleted one paragraph of the prefix of the draft proclamation
 - Corrected some words and paragraphs of each article to match the draft proclamation title.

3. Close meeting

- 35) Before closing the meeting, Mr. Ing Try requested DFC representative to prepare the meeting minute to be submitted to Director General of Fisheries Administration to understand the meeting results, and to propose preparing a letter to MAFF for consideration and approval of the draft proclamation. The meeting closed at 5:30pm

ANNEX 1

List of participants in stakeholder consultation meeting at national level on the draft proclamation on the establishment of the management area of mackerel fisheries refugia in Koh Kong on 11 June 2019 at Fisheries Administration

No.	Name	Sex	Title	Organization	Telephone
1	Ing Try	M	Deputy Director General	FiA	012735099
2	Prom Sotha	M	Director	Marine Fisheries Administration Inspectorate /FiA	069695000
3	Ouk Vibol	M	Director	DFC/FiA	012908121
4	You Chanpraseth	M	Deputy Director	DFC/FiA	012377453
5	Kim Sokha	M	Director of Division	DFC/FiA	012 784687
6	Im Sophea Nak	F	Deputy Director	DAAL/FiA	012566981
7	Sou Jotra	M	Deputy Director	DCFD/FiA	012334424
8	Chap Seak Heng	M	Director	Mekong Fisheries Administration Inspectorate/FiA	012871071
9	Chin Da	M	Deputy Director	DAD/FiA	011980990
10	Ky Vannarith	M	Director of Division	DAAL/FiA	012354462
11	Land Kiry	M	Director	Koh Kong FiAC/DoA	012683377
12	Leng Sy Vann	M	Deputy Director	DFC/FiA	017446373
13	Kin Samnang	F	Officer	DFC/FiA	077411136
14	Uy Ching	M	Deputy Director	DFA/FiA	0965565888

ANNEX 2**Schedule for stakeholder consultation meeting at national level on the draft proclamation on the establishment of the management area of mackerel fisheries refugia in Koh Kong on 11 June 2019 at Fisheries Administration**

Date/Time	Description	Responsible person
8:30am- 9:00am	Registration	All
9:00am- 9:30am	Opening meeting	Mr. Ing Try Deputy Director General of FiA
9:30am-9:50am	Snack break	All participants
9:50am-10:50am	Presentation of draft proclamation on the establishment of mackerel fisheries refugia in Koh Kong	Mr. Leng Sy Vann Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
10:50am-12:00pm	Discussion on draft proclamation on the establishment of mackerel fisheries refugia in Koh Kong	Mr. Ing Try Deputy Director General of FiA
12:00am-2:00pm	Lunch break	All participants
2:00pm-3:30pm	Discussion on draft proclamation on the establishment of mackerel fisheries refugia in Koh Kong	Mr. Ing Try Deputy Director General of FiA
3:30pm-3:50pm	Snack break	All participants
3:50pm-5:00pm	Discussion on draft proclamation on the establishment of mackerel fisheries refugia in Koh Kong	Mr. Ing Try Deputy Director General of FiA
5:00pm-5:30pm	Closing a meeting	Mr. Ing Try Deputy Director General of FiA


ANNEX 3

Participants' Photos in stakeholder consultation meeting at national level on the draft proclamation on the establishment of the management area of mackerel fisheries refugia in Koh Kong on 11 June 2019 at Fisheries Administration



ANNEX 4

Draft Proclamation of Establishment of the Management Area of Mackerel Fisheries Refugia at Peam Krasob, Koh Kong Province

<p>Kingdom of Cambodia Nation Religion King</p>  <p>Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries</p> <p>No.....MAFF</p> <p>Draft Proclamation On Creation of Management Area of Mackerel Fisheries Refugia at Peam Krosob, Koh Kong Province</p> <hr/> <p>Minister of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Having seen the Constitution of Royal Kingdom of Cambodia. - Having seen Royal Decree No. Nor Sar /RoKorTor/0918/925 dated on 06 September 2018 on nomination of the Royal Government of Kingdom of Cambodia. - Having seen Royal Proclamation No. Nor Sar /RoKorMo/0618/012 dated on 28 June 2018 on declaring to use the law on the organization and implementation of the cabinet. - Having seen Royal Proclamation No. Nor Sar /RoKorMo/0196/13 dated on 24 January 1996 on declaring to use the law on the establishment of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries. - Having seen Royal Proclamation No. Nor Sar /RoKorMo/0506/011 dated on 21 May 2006 on declaring to use the law on fisheries. - Having seen Royal Proclamation No. Nor Sar /RoKorMo/1117/015 dated on 22 November 2017 on declaring to use the amendment law on article 41, 42, 43, and 59 of the law on fisheries - Having seen sub-decree No. 17 OrNorkro.BorKor dated on 07 April 2000 on the organization and implementation of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries. - Having seen sub-decree No. 188 OrNorkro.BorKor dated on 14 November 2008 on the reformation of director general of the ministry to be secretariat general, forestry administration promotion, fisheries administration promotion to be equal to director general, the promotion of department of agronomy and agricultural land improvement to be director general of agriculture, and reformation of rubber plantation director general to be rubber director general, are under the management of the ministry of agriculture, forestry, and fisheries. - Having seen sub-decree No. 105 OrNorkro.BorKor dated on 22 August 2005 on additional duties of the ministry of agriculture, forestry, and fisheries and the establishment of internal audit department, planning and statistic department, international cooperation department, information and agricultural document center under the ministry of agriculture, forestry, and fisheries. - Refer to the proposal of Delegate of Royal Government of Cambodia in charge of Director General of Fisheries Administration. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>DECISION</u></p> <p>Article 1: The proclamation has an aim to create mackerel fisheries <i>refugia</i> in Koh Kong to protect, conserve, and use mackerel and fisheries resource in sustainable way in line with national fisheries sector policy and contribute to enhancing local livelihood.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7</p>

Article 2: The proclamation is the following target:

- Manage sustainable mackerel stock
- Ensure fisheries ecology better
- Ensure sustainable fisheries resource use
- Contribute to enhancing local livelihood

Article 3: The proclamation covers the total area of 1,293ha located in Peam Krasob commune, Mondol Sema district, and Koh Kapi commune, Koh Kong district, Koh Kong province. The map of mackerel fisheries *refugia* in Koh Kong defined in the annex 1 of the proclamation.

Article 4: Banning all kinds of fishing and other activities in mackerel fisheries *refugia* in Koh Kong from 01st December to 31st March every year because spawning season of mackerel at this site, exception for some research activities permitted properly.

Article 5: Management of mackerel fisheries *refugia* in Koh Kong is under competences of Koh Kong Administration and Fisheries Administration with collaboration with involved competences and other partner development. There are main duties as follow:

- Prepare a proper management mechanism through the decision of Koh Kong Administration with participating from involved institutions
- Organize and implement management plan
- Prepare patrolling group, equip patrolling materials, and implement daily patrolling action during banning season
- Define and demarcate boundary clearly
- Study technical research, observe, and monitor biological condition and mackerel stock in the nature
- Educate and extend public awareness to fishermen and other stakeholders
- Seek aids and collaborate other partner development, internal and national organizations, and generous persons to support fund provision and management action of mackerel fisheries *refugia* site

Article 6: Budget sources for the creation and management of mackerel fisheries *refugia* are:

- National budget
- Partner developments and private sectors
- Generous persons
- Other incomes

Article 7: Anyone is wrong doing against the proclamation shall be punished in line with the law.

Article 8: Any regulation that is against to the proclamation shall be null and void

Article 9: Secretary General, Inspectorate General, Director General of Fisheries Administration, Director of Department of Administrative Affair, Director of Financial and Accounting Department, Director of Department of Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries Involved, Head of Involved Institutions under the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries shall be in charge of the proclamation based on self duties from signing forward.

Phnom Penh,.....2019
Minister
Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries

Copies :

- Council of Minister
- Ministry of Interior
- Ministry of Finance and Economy
- Ministry of Justice
- Ministry of Environment
- Ministry of Tourism
- Secretary General of Royal Government of Cambodia
- Cabinet of Samdach Akeh Moha Sena Padei Tachou Prime Minister
- Cabinet of Samdach, H.E, Lok Chumteav Deputy Prime Minister
- Koh Kong Administration